

Miss Kelly's Top Ten Gifted Classroom Resources!

Directions: You can use this page to help you organize your thoughts and ideas before our next PLC meeting! (Remember? We're all going to share our "Top Ten Favorite" resources! Woo Hoo!) If you end up with blank lines, don't worry! Bring this page with you and we bet you'll fill them in during the meeting - borrowing ideas from other people's top ten favorites! Check out the box below for a list of ideas to get your thoughts rollin! Don't let this limit you though - bring whatever you'd like to share!

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1 Favorite Children's Literature Book: Andrew Henry's Meadow by Doris Burn

2 Favorite Resource Classroom Book: Imagitronics by Don Ambrose

3 Favorite Gen. Ed Support Book: Teaching Gifted Kids in the Regular Classroom by Susan Winebrenner

4 Favorite Differentiation Tool: The Differentiator website by Ian Byrd.
Part of his awesome site: <http://www.byrdseed.com/>

Favorite Tried-and-True Morning Starter: The Opinion Continuum. (As presented at NAGC 1995 by Jim Deslile.) See attached.

6 Favorite New SCAMPER Tool: Our class created an "iThink Pad" to help us learn about and plan to use our SCAMPER Skills. See attached.

7 Favorite Research Tool: Right/Left Side Note Taking. See attached.

8 Favorite New Thing in Our Classroom: Our class Photo Booth!
Made in 2013-2014 by Miss Kelly's 4th & 5th graders. We use it at the end of the day for videotaping self-reflections!

9 Favorite App: OSnap A stop-motion video making tool.

10 Favorite Online Program: PowToon Make video shorts for or with your students! <http://www.powtoon.com/>

Because if ten is good, sixteen must be fantastic...

Favorite Everyday Student-Use of Technology: Class DJ, Class Photographer, & Class Blogger. Having a blogger, a photographer, and a DJ as rotating class jobs has been a great way to use our technology. The blogger uses one of our student computers to write the blog in Word. We are lucky to have an OCPS iTouch, an old iPhone, an iTouch Miss Kelly won at an OCPS Technology training class! We also purchased an inexpensive Bluetooth speaker so that we can move our music to a comfortable location in the room and Miss Kelly set up a collection of playlists for different times of day/work needs.

Favorite Game: In a Pickle Available through Mindware
<http://www.mindware.com>

Favorite Time Filler: Choices Available through Mindware
<http://www.mindware.com>

Favorite Classroom Energy Tool: Our Brain Break jar.
http://teacherpress.ocps.net/deidrekelly/?page_id=769

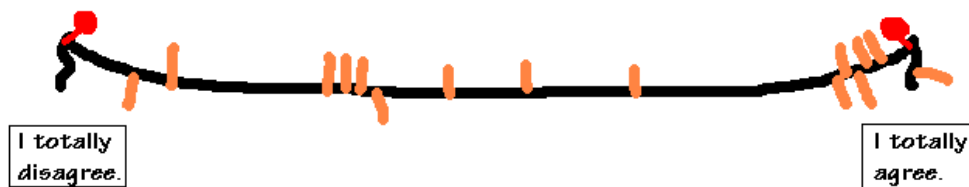
Favorite Classroom Playlist: Because my 5th grade boys can jam some Sound of Music... <http://bit.ly/1ebm1pU> See attached.

My Top Ten are on my website!



The Opinion Continuum

"Too often we... enjoy the comfort of opinion without the discomfort of thought."
~John F. Kennedy



Opinion Continuum comes from a Dr. Jim Delisle workshop from over a decade ago. This is a fantastic morning activity which engages kids in a success first thing in the morning and engages them in justifying their thinking in an informal way.

Affectives:

- I am capable of great things.
- Making friends is easy.
- Working as a team is better than working alone.
- How you say something is as important as what you say.
- Being funny is better than being nice.
- Allowances should be regulated by the government.

Current Events:

- Humans will walk on Mars during my lifetime. (Mars rovers)
- The United States should put a colony on the moon. (NASA press conference)
- There should be a law that says that scientists can't go back and change things that we've already learned. (Pluto demoted)
- There should be a law that says that parents and teachers have to show their report cards to kids. (report card time)

Content Based: (examples from an Explorers study)

- There are undiscovered places left to explore on Earth.
- Exploration is worth any risk.
- Explorers are heroes.
- Most exploration is about making more money.
- Exploration of the future will be more important than those of the past.
- Without explorers, the world would be smaller.
- Today's explorers are very different from the explorers of the past.

Thinking:

- There are unsolvable problems.
- The most important part of solving a problem is choosing the right problem to solve.
- Few problems are problems for everyone.
- All problems need to be solved.
- Solutions to problems are always good.
- There are more problems than solutions in the world.
- I am a good problem solver.

4 years worth available at: <http://teachers.ocps.net/~kellyd2/> (Go to "Weekly Archives".)

Right-Side Left-Side Note Taking

Main Idea Questions Wonders Connections Ideas/Theories Cause/Effect

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One person can have a big effect on the world.			<u>Thomas Edison</u>
Being the youngest of 7 lead him towards being an inventor because he had lots of time to do things he liked.			<u>Biographical Information:</u>
Back then, did all kids work at such a young age?			- 1847 - born; youngest of 7; 1931 - died
			- 1859 - job on railroad selling stuff
			- 1866 - married; 1871- remarried
Why didn't they like it that he asked so many questions?			<u>A Great Mind:</u>
Did people always expect big things from him after that?			- asked too many questions; home schooled
Asked too many questions → kicked out of school			- brave - saved station master's son
Did he love what he was doing or did he <u>have to work 18 hours?</u>			- never gave up - 1 st success/sale in 1870
Thomas Edison AND A lifeguard	○	○	- worked 18 hours a day
Thomas Edison AND Mozart			<u>Accomplishments:</u>
Which invention was Edison's favorite?			- 1 st patent @ 22 y.o.; total = 1,093 patents
Did he learn Morse Code on his own?			- electric light bulb; phonograph; movies w/ sound
Menlo Park, NJ was proud that such a brilliant man lived there.			- 15 y.o. - own newspaper; telegraph operator
Did Edison have anyone to give his work to when he died?			- 1869 - 1 st invention; 1933 = last invention
			- 1876 - laboratory; Menlo Park, NJ; called:
Being an inventor is a good thing to be.			"The Wizard of Menlo Park"
Laboratory in basement as a kid → becoming an inventor			
How did Edison lose his hearing?			<u>Interesting Info.:</u>
	○	○	- kid - laboratory in basement
			- became deaf - wife did Morse Code on knee
			- worked all night, slept all day


Left-Side Note Taking

Main Idea (brown)	~ Use brown to identify the key message or point of the information! ~ Use this only occasionally.
Questions (red)	~ Questions you have that were inspired by information on the right side. ~ Answers to "questions" can probably be easily found (like in a book).
Wonders (purple)	~ Things you're curious about ~ Answers probably can't be easily found.
Connections (blue)	~ Show a connection between info on the right-side and a separate topic. ~ Should show a deep understanding of the topic you're studying.
Ideas/Theories (green)	~ Ideas you have that are inspired by the information on the right side. ~ Theories (unproven ideas) you have about the WHY or the CAUSE of the information on the right side.
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Miss Kelly's Playlists (April, 2014)

Good Morning! ▶ 

4 songs, 14 minutes


▲	✓	Name	☁	Time	Artist	Album	Genre
1	✓	Here Comes the Sun		3:06	The Beatles	Abbey Road	Rock
2	✓	It's A Good Day		2:53	Peggy Lee	Big Bands Swing &...	Jazz
3	✓	Life's a Happy Song		4:29	Mickey Rooney, Feis...	The Muppets (Orig...	Soundtrack
4	✓	Somewhere Over the Rainbow		3:31	Israel Kamakawiwo'...	Alone in IZ World	World

Goodbye! ▶ 


3 songs, 10 minutes

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▲	✓	Name	☁	Time	Artist	Album	Genre	Rat
1	✓	So Long, Farewell CLEAN		2:55	Charmian Carr, Ang...	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack	
2	✓	Na Na Hey Hey Kiss Him Goodbye		4:10	Steam	60's Gold	Pop	
3	✓	Edelweiss CLEAN		2:17	Charmian Carr & Bil...	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack	

Instrumental ▶ 

13 songs, 37 minutes

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▲	✓	Name	☁	Time	Artist	Album	Genre
1	✓	Winter's Waltz		1:00	Christophe Beck	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack
2	✓	Some People Are Worth Melting F...		2:06	Christophe Beck	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack
3	✓	Once Upon a Time... Storybook Lo...		4:00	Mark Knopfler	The Princess Bride (...	Soundtrack
4	✓	My Favorite Things CLEAN		2:19	Julie Andrews	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack
5	✓	Driving (From "Driving Miss Daisy")		2:52	Starsound Orchestra	90's Movie Hits	Soundtrack
6	✓	Georgiana		1:35	Various Artists	Pride & Prejudice (...	Soundtrack
7	✓	Another Dance		1:14	Jean-Yves Thibaudet	Pride & Prejudice (...	Soundtrack
8	✓	Dawn		2:39	Various Artists	Pride & Prejudice (...	Soundtrack
9	✓	Orchard House (Main Title) [Instru...		3:26	Thomas Newman	Little Women (Orig...	Soundtrack
10	✓	Suite from Forrest Gump		6:34	Alan Silvestri	Forrest Gump (Orig...	Soundtrack
11	✓	Steel Magnolias: Suite		3:33	Georges Delerue	Highway to Hollywo...	Soundtrack
12	✓	The Kiss		2:49	Trevor Jones	The Last of the Moh...	Soundtrack
13	✓	Top of the World		2:46	Trevor Jones	The Last of the Moh...	Soundtrack

Singalongs

20 songs, 1 hour 4 minutes



View

▲	✓	Name		Time	Artist	Album	Genre
1	✓	Let It Go		3:45	Idina Menzel	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack
2	✓	My Favorite Things CLEAN		2:19	Julie Andrews	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack
3	✓	Do You Want to Build a Snowman?		3:28	Kristen Bell, Agatha...	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack
4	✓	I Have Confidence		3:27	Julie Andrews	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack
5	✓	Let's Go Fly a Kite		1:54	David Tomlinson, Di...	Mary Poppins (Orig...	Soundtrack
6	✓	Life's a Happy Song		4:29	Mickey Rooney, Feis...	The Muppets (Orig...	Soundtrack
7	✓	Do-Re-Mi (From the 20th... CLEAN)		5:34	Julie Andrews, Char...	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack
8	✓	Cups		2:06	Kidz Bop Kids	Kidz Bop 25	Children's...
9	✓	Some People Are Worth Melting F...		2:06	Christophe Beck	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack
10	✓	The Fox (What Does the Fox Say?)		3:32	Kidz Bop Kids	Kidz Bop 25	Children's...
11	✓	Splash Splash		2:13	Bobby Darin	Bobby Darin	Vocal
12	✓	Chim Chim Cher-ee		2:47	Dick Van Dyke, Julie...	Mary Poppins (Orig...	Soundtrack
13	✓	A Spoonful of Sugar		4:09	Julie Andrews	Mary Poppins (Orig...	Soundtrack
14	✓	In Summer		1:54	Josh Gad	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack
15	✓	Be Our Guest (Soundtrack Version)		3:45	Angela Lansbury, C...	Beauty and the Bea...	Soundtrack
16	✓	The Lonely Goatherd		3:11	Julie Andrews, Char...	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack
17	✓	So Long, Farewell CLEAN		2:55	Charmian Carr, Ang...	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack
18	✓	That's How You Know		3:49	Amy Adams	Enchanted (Soundtr...	Soundtrack
19	✓	You've Got a Friend In Me		2:04	Randy Newman	Toy Story (An Orig...	Soundtrack
20	✓	For the First Time in Forever		3:45	Kristen Bell & Idina...	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack

Slowdown

8 songs, 26 minutes



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▲	✓	Name		Time	Artist	Album	Genre
1	✓	Edelweiss CLEAN		2:17	Charmian Carr & Bil...	The Sound of Music...	Soundtrack
2	✓	Stay Awake		1:45	Julie Andrews	Mary Poppins (Orig...	Soundtrack
3	✓	Lean On Me		4:17	Bill Withers	Bill Withers' Greates...	R&B/Soul
4	✓	Sugar Town (Bonus Track)		2:29	Zoey Deschanel	(500) Days of Summ...	Soundtrack
5	✓	New Soul		3:45	Yael Naïm	Yael Naïm	Pop
6	✓	Pure Imagination		3:56	The Hit Crew	Tribute to Willy Wo...	Soundtrack
7	✓	I'll Be There		3:58	Jackson 5	Jackson 5: The Ulti...	R&B/Soul
8	✓	I Got You Babe		3:14	Sonny & Cher	The Beat Goes On -...	Pop

Upbeat ▶ 

16 songs, 53 minutes



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	✓ Name ▲ ☁	Time	Artist	Album	Genre	R
1	✓ Best Day of My Life	3:14	American Authors	Oh, What a Life	Alternative	
2	✓ Colors	2:42	April Smith and the...	Songs for a Sinking...	Pop	
3	✓ Cups	2:06	Kidz Bop Kids	Kidz Bop 25	Children's...	
4	✓ Do You Want to Build a Snowman?	3:28	Kristen Bell, Agatha...	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack	
5	✓ For the First Time in Forever	3:45	Kristen Bell & Idina...	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack	
6	✓ The Fox (What Does the Fox Say?)	3:32	Kidz Bop Kids	Kidz Bop 25	Children's...	
7	✓ Happy (From "Despicable Me 2")	3:53	Pharrell Williams	G I R L	Pop	
8	✓ I'm a Believer	2:45	The Monkees	The Best of the Mo...	Pop	
9	✓ In Summer	1:54	Josh Gad	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack	
10	✓ Let It Go	3:45	Idina Menzel	Frozen (Original Mo...	Soundtrack	
11	✓ Let's Go Fly a Kite	1:54	David Tomlinson, Di...	Mary Poppins (Orig...	Soundtrack	
12	✓ Light Bulb	6:57	Rachel Goodrich	Tinker Toys	Alternative	
13	✓ On Top of the World	3:12	Imagine Dragons	Night Visions	Alternative	
14	✓ Roar	3:46	Kidz Bop Kids	Kidz Bop 25	Children's...	
15	✓ That Thing You Do!	2:47	Various Artists	That Thing You Do!...	Soundtrack	
16	✓ Touch the Sky	2:31	Julie Fowlis	Brave (Original Score)	Soundtrack	