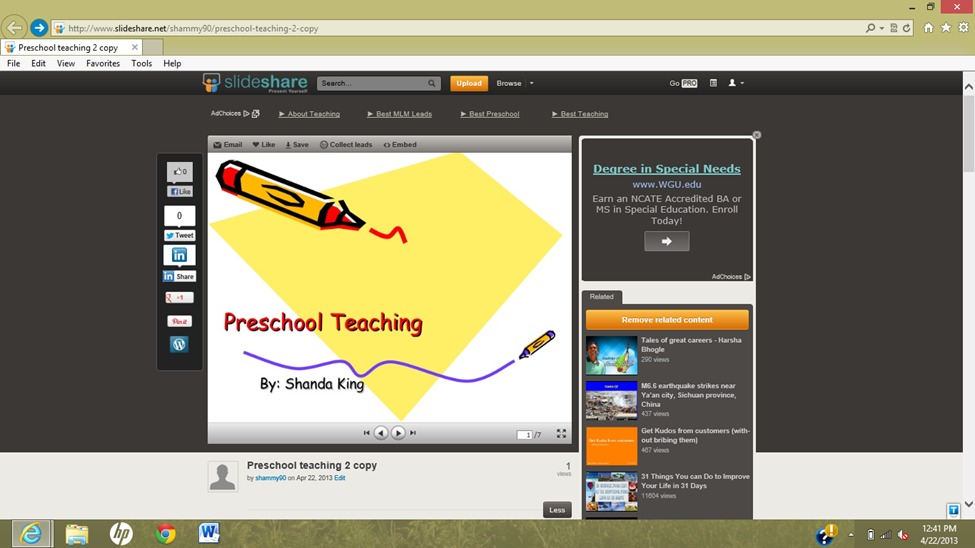
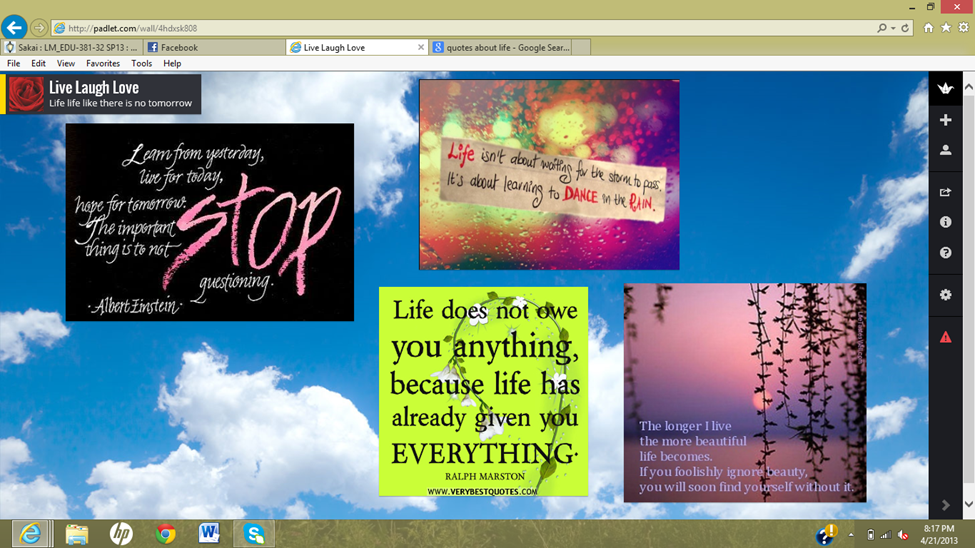


Recently I have researched a Web 2.0 tool that is called Bitstrips. Bitstrips is a way that you can create avatars and comic like pictures. This Web 2.0 tool was not as user friendly that I had hoped. Other than being able to create how your avatar looked that seemed to be all of the customization that you could do. One of the downsides of Bitstrips is that the user would have to have Facebook because it is a Facebook app. However; considering how popular Facebook has become that may not be that big of a downside. When I first started giving Bitstrips a test run I thought that it would be similar to another Web 2.0 tool that I used which was Toondoo. Toondoo has a lot more customization



Recently I have looked at a Web 2.0 tool that lets you add PowerPoint presentations on the internet. It also allows you to create your own PowerPoint on that particular website. This would be a great tool for students to use in school if they did not have PowerPoint presentation software on their computers. This is a very inexpensive tool to use and you would not have to download anything in order to be able to use it. I think that this would be good for 2nd grade and up because at that age they are beginning to make presentations in the classrooms on different assignments. I think that this website would be great for all schools to use in their classrooms because it gives students a chance to learn to navigate their way around the internet and get used to being on the internet. Also, it is less software that schools need to purchase.



Recently I have researched a Web 2.0 tool that was called Wallwisher. Wallwisher is now referred to as Padlet. This is a very interesting tool for students to use because it is like a virtual bulletin board. This Web 2.0 tool can easily be used for 3rd grade and up. One of the examples that they give you that this Web 2.0 tool could be used for would be to have teachers assign a book for their students to read and then have the students go on to Padlet and leave sticky notes about favorite things from the book or little notes that they would like to remember to show that they read it. I believe that this Web 2.0 tool would be great for classroom use. It could be used in several different classes because everyone has a chance to personalize it. Padlet is a way for students to express their opinions and even express their creativity because they can also add in media to their wall. With Padlet you can share your work with Facebook or twitter by using R.S.S. feed or even embed it. Padlet would be a good way to ease students into the technology world because it is so easy to use. To add in media all you would have to do is drag and drop it on to the wall and then you can stretch it. In a way it is like Glogster but Padlet doesn’t let you customize as much as Glogster does.