RRISD Online Resources

Spicewood Home Access Information 2015-2016

From the Spicewood Homepage:

From the **Resources** tab select **Library**Click on **Research Resources** and then
click on the database you want and enter passwords

Please email questions to: laura_reeb@roundrockisd.org



Our Online Catalog

(No password needed) checked out & renew online

by clicking on the "My Stuff" tab.

Students use their 6-digit ID number (no "s") for both user ID and PIN. Parents use their 10-digit phone # (no dashes or spaces).

(Parents use a 10-digit phone number without dashes)

Encyclopedia Britannica (also in Spanish)



username: 246909105 password: learn

World Book Online

username: **rrisd** password: **express**



EBSCO -





username: **swstudent** password: **student**



Customer #: **RRELEM** password: **express**

GALE GROUP (Kids InfoBits)



password: lonestar

TumbleBooks



user:

spicewood password: rrisd



username: **rrisdes** password: **bkflix**

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User name: **spicewood** Password: **elementary**

An interactive database for younger children. Learn about **animals** or **earth and space**



user: roundrockhome password: roundrockhome

Explore a country using graphs & tables, interviews, photos, maps, recipes, slideshows, videos, and more.



Science & Social Studies nonfiction books

User name: spicewrrisd

Password: trueflix



My Student ID is:

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Around 300 eBooks & audiobooks

- Download the free MackinVia app or go to MackinVia.com
- Students use "s" + their 6-digit ID # for user ID & password (s123456)

Research Resources

What are the Spicewood Research Resources?

Round Rock ISD and Spicewood Elementary School pay for books, audio, visual and electronic resources for teachers, students, and parents to use. The school district pays

subscription fees so you can use electronic resources, which can be accessed through the internet. Because they are fee-based, you will need to enter a password to use most of them. The electronic research resources listed here are excellent resources for research and learning enrichment. Please encourage your children to use them. As your children get older, they will learn how to tell if an internet site is useful or not. In the meantime, these sites help your children find accurate information and good quality materials online.

How can we use these resources at home?



TumbleBooks are animated books. Children can read the words as they watch the movie. **BookFLIX** pairs nonfiction with a fiction book. They are excellent practice for reading fluency for children in grades K-2. Older children will enjoy **TrueFLIX**, which is a collection of 80+ nonfiction books and extension activities that are well-connected with Common Core standards.



PebbleGo is a fun site for K-3 to use for research. It is divided into Animals, Earth & Space, Social Studies, and Biographies. They are easier alternatives to our online encyclopedias, but older children enjoy exploring this database as well.





Gale Kids InfoBits is a database of published articles and encyclopedia entries that are written by experts. Children can select reputable, published articles appropriate for their reading ability and interests. Parents and older siblings can access the more sophisticated **Gale Group** to access trustworthy journal articles and other valuable sources.



Ebsco Searchasaurus is a database similar to **Gale**. You can often find the same articles in both databases. **Ebsco** and **Gale** are both excellent resources for scholarly, professional, and popular articles. It is a gigantic library of trusted, published, researched knowledge available to your students for free. Children can listen to each article as they read it.



Sirs Discoverer is a subscription database of encyclopedia, magazine, and news articles that older children might find useful, especially if they are researching a contemporary or narrow topic. Sirs also hand-selects useful websites.





World Book Online and Britannica Online School Edition are encyclopedias. Articles are grade-appropriate.



World Book Online allows students and parents to translate articles into 31 different languages. **Britannica Online School Edition** is available in Spanish and English.



IPL2 is the Internet Public Library 2nd Edition. It is a filter parents and children can use to find resources on the internet. Websites are evaluated and selected by librarians for usefulness and appropriateness. It is a safer alternative to "Googling."



RRISD's newest subscription database is the elementary version of **CultureGrams**, an excellent database for research about countries, US states, and Canadian Provinces. It includes recipes, audiovisual programs, and very good geographic and cultural information.