



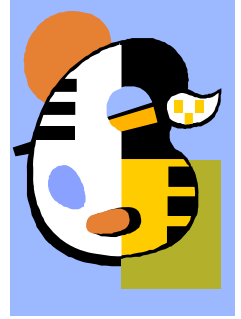
Imagination Suite Class

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Staff Resources Link

<http://schoolweb.pdschools.org/dunn/staffresources.htm>



Day 1-Tech4Learning Resources and Pixie2 introduction

Tech4Learning main site <http://www.tech4learning.com/>

- How to download 30 day trials of the software.
- Elementary teachers: Your school has at least 30 copies of Pixie2, Frames and WebBlender. Ask your media specialist for the registration keys for installing at home. This note is from Tech4Learning to Ben Johnson: (You may make the Software available for Home Use. Faculty and staff of the licensed Individual Qualified Educational Institution may install and use the Software on home or portable computers not owned or purchased by the Individual Qualified Educational Institution. The Software may not be loaded on a computer at another Individual Qualified Educational Institution. The total number of simultaneous users, including Home Use users, may not exceed one and one-half (1.5) times the number of legally purchased licenses. Once an individual is no longer affiliated with the Individual Qualified Educational Institution, Home Use rights no longer apply, and the Software must be removed from that individual's home or portable computer.)
- Links to other Tech4Learning resources are on the main page

Recipes4Success <http://www.recipes4success.com/>

- Recipes and Snacks at 3 ability levels
- Lesson Library
- Tools-Print Rubrics and Graphic Organizers. Or use the Citation Maker.

Pics4Learning <http://www.pics4learning.com/>

- Copyright free images that are safe to search for kids
- All of the images are available in the programs directly

Trading Post

<http://tradingpost.tech4learning.com/login.php?accesscheck=%2Findex.php>

- Find project samples and ideas uploaded by teachers
- You have to set up an account on the login page
- You can share and upload your own project examples

Creative Educator Online Magazine <http://www.thecreativeeducator.com/>

- Great resource with lots of examples of how the software is being used in schools.
- New software and software versions are advertised as well.
- Look for my article in Issue 3 on page 11
http://www.thecreativeeducator.com/Uploads/pdfs/v03/Creative_Educator_v1n3.pdf

Pixie 2 introduction

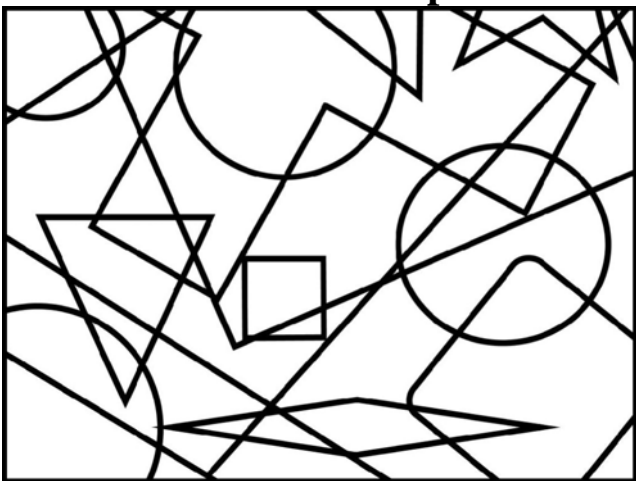
- Pixie2 Help Pages <http://staffweb.psdschools.org/dshinnem/Pixie2/>
- Pixie version 1 video on United Streaming. Search for Pixie to find it.
- Introduction on using the tools
- Saving and exporting your images
- Importing pictures and clip art

Built-in Resources

- Activities-Help on altering an activity and saving as a template
- Backgrounds
- More with Photos and Effects

Demonstration of stained glass project.

- **Use the paint brush and shape tools with the color and thickness of your choice and create overlapping shapes and designs. I prefer to use black for my lines.**
- **Make sure your lines go to the edge of the paper. I like using the straight line that is in the shape choices.**



- **Use the paint bucket with colors, gradients and patterns to fill in your design.**

*****Assignment 1*****

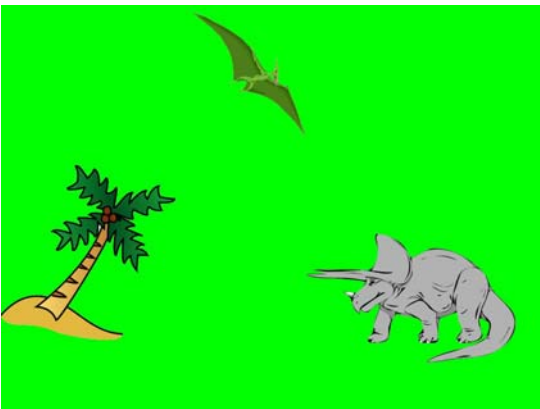
- Create 4 Pixie projects-You must try and use the tools listed for each page, and you may use additional tools if you would like.
 - Project 1 - use the paint brush, paint bucket and the text tool to create a scene or drawing with a title.
 - Project 2 - use the shape tool, stickers, spray can and roller to create a picture of your choice.
 - Project 3 - import a picture and add a recorded voice to describe the picture. You may use the photo editing tools if you would like.
 - Project 4 - use some of the Pixie tools with a background or you can change or adapt one of the activities for your own use.

Day 2-Pixie2 Continued

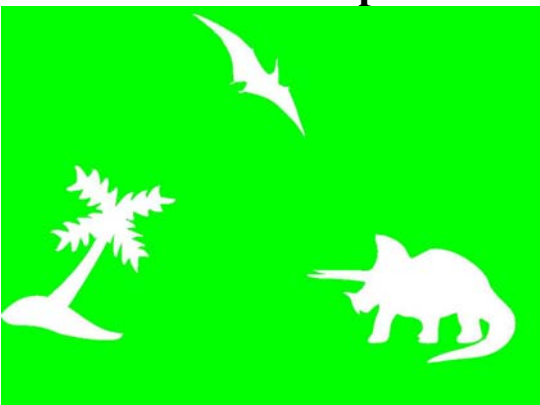
Finish Assignment 1- 4 Pixie Projects from Day 1 if time is needed. Leave the files open for the next assignment. You can make additional pages if you have time or experiment with some of the other tools and effects.

Demonstration of Silhouette project

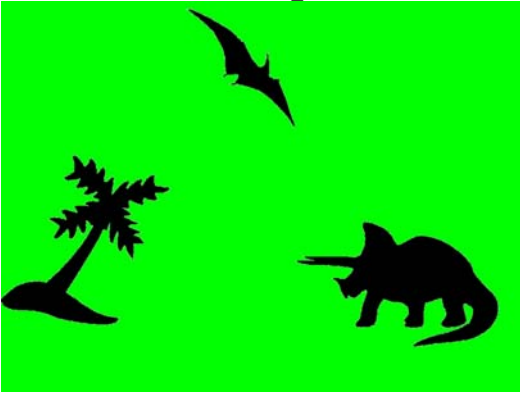
- **Add clip art or draw the shapes that you want to be black.**
- **Glue the clip art down**
- **Use the Paint bucket to make the background a bright green color.**



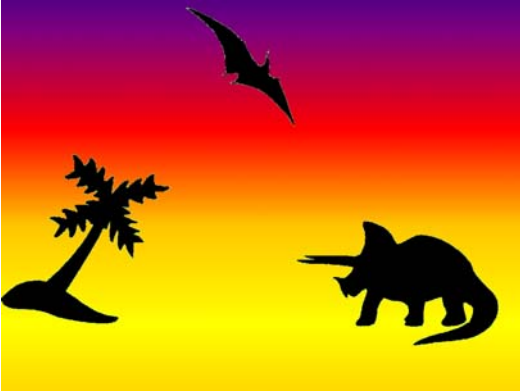
- **Use the magic wand selection tool to select the green background.**
- **Go to the Options menu and choose Erase Outside.**



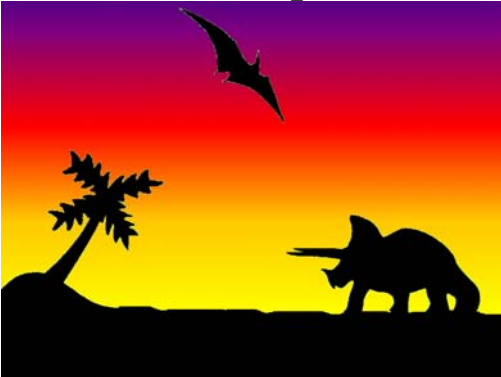
- Use the paint bucket to fill the white spaces in with black.



- Use the paint bucket with the gradient option to add a sunset background.



- Use the paint brush to draw in the ground with a thick black line.



Demonstration of Sharing options

*******Assignment 2*******

Create a Slide Show and Video of your Pixie projects.

Here is a link to my Pixie2 Help Page about Sharing your projects

<http://staffweb.pdschools.org/dshinnem/Pixie2/page31.html>

Demonstration of setting up staffweb account and posting your slideshow on the Internet

*******Assignment 3*******

Create a Web Page of your Pixie projects

First, you will have to activate your PSD staffweb account

To activate your staff web account go to the PSD main website and click on Staff. Log in and click on Staff/Teacher Services on the left. Click on option 3 to Create your staff web account.

The address for your staffweb account is:

`http://staffweb.psdschools.org/"username"/"folder name"/`

You have to use your username and the name of the folder.

First, post the website locally to your computer

Second, try and post it to your staff web account and open it up.

When you publish to FTP you must enter the following information

In the Host field type in: staffweb.psdschools.org

Then, type in your PSD username and password.

Then, you must create a folder with the button at the top (name the folder Pixie) and then click Open at the bottom.

The address for your staffweb account is:

`http://staffweb.psdschools.org/"username"/"folder name"/`

You have to use your username and the name of the folder.

Day 3-Pixie2 wrap-up and Introduction to WebBlender

Finish posting your project as a web page to your staffweb account.

Demonstration of WebBlender Basics and overview

Link to my WebBlender Help Files

<http://staffweb.psdschools.org/dshinnem/WebBlender/>

- Options/Library
- Text
- Hyperlinks
- Shapes/Tables
- Adding Pages
- Templates

- Publishing
- Saving

Link to my step by step tutorial for creating a web page

<http://staffweb.psdschools.org/dshinnem/WebBlender-Tutorial/>

Demonstration of setting up your webpage

*******Assignment 4*******

Finish the day working on your web page.

Web page requirements

- hyperlinks
- text
- color
- images
- multiple pages

Day 4 -WebBlender Continued and Frames introduction

The first half of class will give you time to work on your webpage. I will be available for assistance.

Demonstration on how to publish your page to your staffweb account.

Once we are ready to move on, I will introduce Frames

Frames introduction and demonstration

I have a 30 minute video on United Streaming taped by PSD Channel 10. Search for it with the word Pixie. It is the 3rd episode.

Frames basics

- Creating a background or importing a background
- Adding layers from the library or from Pixie files
- Duplicating a frame
- Onion Skin
- Duration
- Adding sound from library and microphone
- Adding text or shapes
- Saving
- Previewing
- Making your animation a video file

*****Assignment 5*****

Create an animation using frames.

Requirements:

- create or import a background
- add layers from the library or from Pixie
- duplicate frames to create additional frames
- add text or shapes
- add a sound or recording
- make a video of your animation
- BONUS: post your animation on your webpage you made with WebBlender

Day 5 -Work day with some demonstrations of time savers and answers to common questions and issues. There will be a lot of time to finish your webpage, animations and other projects with my help.