

GLOGSTER

You will use Glogster for brainstorming which could be a part of a K-W-L activity. This would be the K - what is Known about a topic. This glog is a “brain dump” where what you known about the topic is recorded. You will include at least one image (tips for finding images listed below.) While this project is designed to be completed outside of your classroom, it could easily be done with your students using a multimedia projector or completed by students individually or in small groups.

CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT

1. Go to Edu Glogster edu.glogster.com and click EDU BASIC in the center of the screen. Even though it says “Register Virtual Class” you can use this for a single educational user and add students later if you want.
2. In the page which opens, select a nickname which will be your user name, provide an email address, and password. Record your nickname and password. Complete the rest of your account information and click **Sign Up**. If you already have an account or when returning, click **Log In** and enter your Nickname and password.



GET STARTED

3. After registering, click **Create a Glog**. You will see a new document with some default elements which can be edited or deleted. **Delete each element one by one so you can start with a blank screen.** To delete an element, click on it then click the trash can icon.
4. At any time you have the option to change the look of the background of the page. For a project like this, the grid is fine, but if you want to you can change the glog wall or the page wall. For this project, a solid color works well for the Glog Wall. Click on the Wall button and then Glog Wall tab. Select a preset color like white and then click **USE IT!** The window stays open and you need to click the small X in the upper right corner to close it.
5. Add a text box for the title. Select the text button and select a text style. There are a lot of choices. After selecting a text element, click **USE IT!** or simply drag it onto the screen. Click Edit and delete the place holder text and replace it with the name for a title. For example, if you are listing all that you know about whales – type Whales. The font, size and even the element color and size may be changed. To change the text, click on **Ab1** button. To change the color of the element, click on the multicolor box next to the OK button. The text may include a hyperlink (not needed for this project.) Click **OK**. Close the element window. Resize the element and rotate using



- the handles at the corners and the rotate links in the centers of the element and edges. Click and drag to place in a new position.
6. Add additional text elements to hold the text about what you know. Repeat multiple times to hold all the text you want. If you want to use a similar element repeatedly, the element may be cloned. Reposition and resize as desired.
 7. Add an image to represent what you are writing about. A list of website where you can find copyright free images can be found at: [Images and Sounds.pdf](#) Another site for images is from Discovery Education. Images may be uploaded from your computer. You can also get them from the Internet by using the URL for the website using the **Link** button. The Grab button allows you to grab an image from a source such as a web cam.
 8. Optional: add graphics elements to add interest to your project. Rotate, resize, overlap elements to make the project more interesting. Elements may be moved forward or back.
 9. Optional: add video and sound. The video link allows direct searching from SchoolTube. Videos from other sites may be used by using the Upload or Link from My videos. You may select from different players.



POST LINK ON YOUR WIKI

10. Click **Save and Publish**. Give it a name, category, and tag words. May it public either as Finished or Unfinished.
11. A screen will come up with sharing options. This includes a link and an embed code. Copy the embed code by clicking on it. This code will be pasted into a widget on the *Cues, Questions, and Advanced Organizer* page in your wiki.
12. Write a paragraph providing two or three other examples for using Glogster to support your curriculum - as an advanced organizer or with other strategies.

