

What's New in Kidspiration® 3



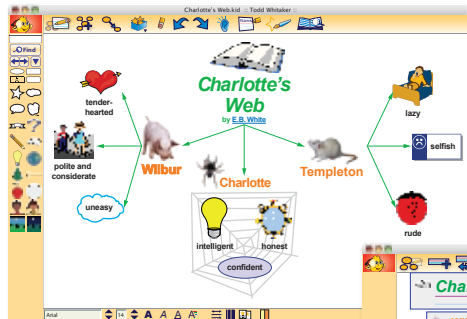
NEW!

Grades K-5

The visual way to explore and understand words, numbers and concepts

The newest version of **Kidspiration** offers exciting new capabilities to give K-5 students more opportunities to explore concepts, discover meaning and express their learning across the curriculum.

Picture View
Students create maps, diagrams and webs



Integrated Picture and Writing Views

Writing View
Students expand their ideas into written expression

Math View
Students use visual math tools to understand essential math concepts

New and enhanced tools strengthen reading, writing and thinking skills

With Kidspiration, students create, show and explore ideas and relationships visually. They build graphic organizers to clarify thoughts, organize information, apply new knowledge and build critical thinking skills. Using pictures and words, students develop stories and descriptions, demonstrate comprehension, and strengthen vocabulary, word recognition and written expression.

► Expanded symbol collection

3,000+ symbols offer visual support for concepts taught in K-5 reading and writing, social studies and science curriculum, providing students with more opportunities to express themselves visually.

► Symbol search

Students search for symbols by keywords to find just the right picture, image or symbol to express their thoughts and ideas.

► Enhanced audio support

Longer recording time encourages students to express and document their ideas. Teachers have more flexibility when recording instructions and comments. For ESL and ELL learners, teachers can record instructions in native languages to enhance student understanding.

► Kidspiration Word Guide

A combination dictionary and thesaurus, Word Guide supports vocabulary and reading comprehension with easy access to nearly 13,000 words. It includes sight vocabulary from the Dolch and Frye's

word lists and aligns with TESL vocabulary to support ELL and ESL students. Each entry includes definitions, synonyms and antonyms, parts of speech, sample sentences and recorded speech to guide pronunciation of words. Word Guide pairs 1,400 words with images to enhance word recognition and comprehension.

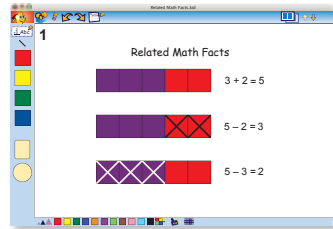
New Math View builds conceptual understanding in math

Now Kidspiration extends the proven principles of visual learning to mathematics. Combining the hands-on learning power of manipulatives with all the added benefits of computer interactivity, Kidspiration's new Math View helps learners build a strong mathematical foundation to understand math concepts.

With five visual math tools, Kidspiration focuses on the core conceptual foundations of counting, place value, computation and geometric thinking. Students build number sense, spatial reasoning and understand the meaning behind the four basic operations while communicating their thinking with words, numbers and math symbols.

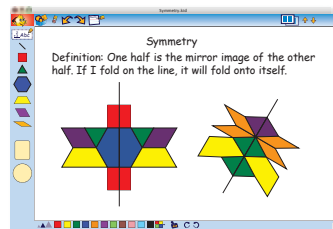
► Kidspiration Color Tiles™

Students use Kidspiration Color Tiles to count and compare, explore properties of numbers and operations and develop computation strategies. With Kidspiration Color Tiles, students learn to solve area and perimeter problems and model number patterns and the four basic operations.



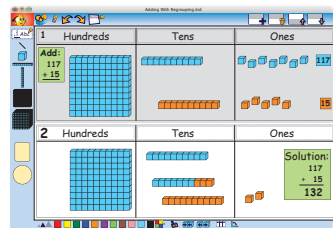
► Kidspiration Pattern Blocks™

Students use Kidspiration Pattern Blocks to investigate the properties and attributes of shapes through composition and decomposition. They produce patterns and tessellations, explore similarity and congruence, experiment with symmetry and represent fractions.

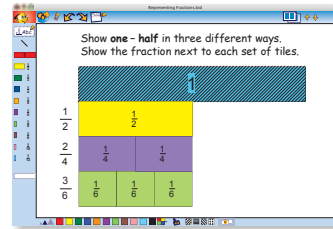


► Kidspiration Base Ten Blocks™

Students use Kidspiration Base Ten Blocks to understand place value and strengthen number sense. With Kidspiration Base Ten Blocks, they count, compare, group, partition and create equivalent representations of whole numbers and decimals. Kidspiration Base Ten Blocks also introduce students to procedures for operations on multi-digit numbers.



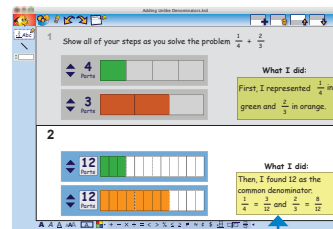
Step Workspace
Show progression of work with the Step Workspace, a sequential work area to document steps while problem-solving.



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Math Text Box
Document math operations using words, numbers and structured frames.

► Kidspiration Fraction Boxes™

Students use Kidspiration Fraction Boxes to represent fractions visually to build a strong conceptual foundation for future work with fractions. Students compare, order, simplify and find equivalent fractions. They use Kidspiration Fraction Boxes to model basic operations with like and

unlike denominators. Kidspiration Fraction Boxes also introduce students to improper fractions, mixed numbers and representing word problems.

Educator-developed resources support curriculum integration

Kidspiration now includes more curriculum content, new teacher tools and lesson plans in reading and writing, math, science and social studies.

► 150 + quick start activity templates

Teachers have classroom-ready resources available to use in lessons for individual learners, small groups and the whole class.

► Tutorials

Tutorials provide a fast and effective way to introduce visual learning with Kidspiration.

► Teacher Resources Online

Teachers can access additional lesson plans and activities with an Internet connection.

Kidspiration keeps up with the latest technology
Kidspiration now supports higher resolution monitors with a larger visual workspace. Kidspiration is compatible with Windows® Vista®.



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