



Networked Communities

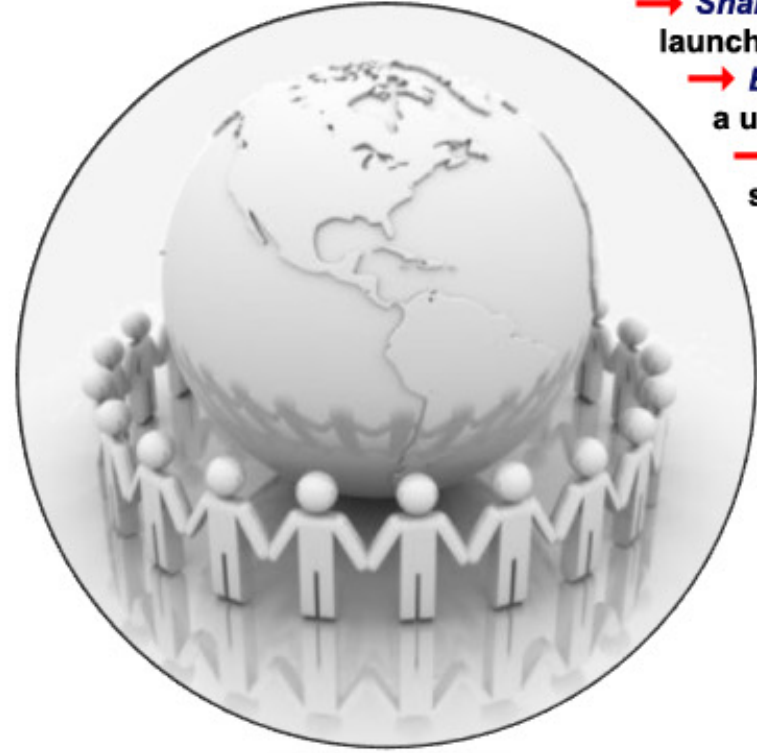
Important benefits that contribute toward improved learning outcomes are produced by partnering KB classrooms:

→ **Support of collaborative learning.....** Most KBIP activity is project-based where students operate in small group knowledge-building teams to promote the development of collaborative inquiry abilities. KB students work together with hands-on authentic investigation, research and study of the targeted topic or subject matter and scaffold each others' work.

→ **Shared learning tools.....** An electronic group workspace designed to support the process of knowledge building for any number of students to share information, launch collaborative investigations and build networks of new ideas together can be accessed anywhere there is an Internet connection.

→ **Effective assessment.....** Analyses applets measure progress in reading, writing and mastery of subject matter for both the individual student as well as providing a universal overview of the entire class and teaching progression.

→ **International cooperation.....** Offers a global-local lens through which students can study different disciplines. Promotes the building of friendships amongst similarly-aged students across the globe to nurture international relationship-building skills and collegial bonds among teachers in similar disciplines, where peer-to-peer training, videoconferencing and electronic workspaces provide access to professional development opportunities.



Partnered Classrooms

KBIP partners classrooms of similarly-aged children learning subject matter in similar disciplines. These partnerships can take place between schools in the same city, in different cities, in the same country and in different countries.

Electronic Workspace

A space not aligned with any of the partnered classrooms would inform audiences about the work being accomplished, manage content about the activities of local KBIP partners, house resources, and link to other areas of interest in the field.

Creating partnerships between KB classrooms:

<p>In the same city.....</p>	<p>In the same state.....</p>
<p>In the same country.....</p>	<p>Between different countries.....</p>

The screenshot shows the website's header with the logo and navigation menu (HOME, ABOUT US, THE PROJECT, BEST PRACTICES, RESOURCES, CONTACT US). Below the header is a user login section with fields for Username and Password, and buttons for Log in, Create new account, and Request new password. To the right is a language selection menu with options for English and Français. The main content area features a section for the 2010-2011 theme, 'Water', with a central image and surrounding icons for Power generation, Agriculture, Municipal water supply, Wildlife habitat, Industry, and Recreation. A 'Français' link is visible at the bottom of the page.