

Free or Inexpensive Tools and Applications

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Item	Web Site	Platform	Description
1. Audacity	http://audacity.sourceforge.net/	PC/Mac	Free audio recording and editing software
2. Seashore Sumo Paint Tux Paint	http://seashore.sourceforge.net/ http://www.sumopaint.com/home/ http://www.tuxpaint.org/	Mac PC option PC/Mac	Free graphic design software Free drawing program for students ages 3 through 12
3. Skype	http://www.skype.com/	PC/Mac	Free phone calls and video conferencing software
4. Stellarium	http://www.stellarium.org/	PC/Mac	Free planetarium software for your computer
5. Celestia	http://www.shatters.net/celestia/	PC/Mac	Free space simulation software that lets you explore our universe in three dimensions
6. Google Earth	http://earth.google.com/	PC/Mac	Free software for maps and satellite images
7. Google Docs	http://docs.google.com/	Web browser	Online word processor, spreadsheet, forms, and presentation software
8. Google Sketchup	http://sketchup.google.com/ http://sketchup.google.com/3dwarehouse/	PC/Mac (examples)	Free 3D modeling drawing app. Can be incorporated into Google Earth.
9. Little Geometry N.I.V.M.	http://www.versiontracker.com/dyn/moreinfo/macosx/25056 http://nlvnm.usu.edu/	Mac only Web browser	Free basic math tool set Math manipulatives software from the National Library of Virtual Manipulatives
10. KompoZer	http://kompozer.net/	PC/Mac	Free web page authoring software
11. Jing	http://www.jingproject.com/ http://www.eltima.com/products/swf-flv-player/ http://mac.eltima.com/freeflashplayer.html	PC/Mac PC player Mac player	Free. Create 5 min. swf video tutorials using your computer screen/voice. Purchase Jing Pro for longer videos.

12. Geogebra	http://www.geogebra.org	PC/Mac	Free geometry package (software or online) providing for graphical and algebraic input
13. cMapTools Webspiration	http://cmap.jhmc.us/conceptmap.html http://www.mywebspiration.com/home	PC/Mac Web browser	Free concept mapping software Free online beta concept mapping software
14. Comic Life Bistrips	http://plasmq.com/comiclife/ http://plasmq.com/comiclife-win http://www.bistrips.com/	Mac PC Web browser	Uses your own photos to create comics. Site licensing for deluxe version (1000 seats for \$999). Make your online funny pages
15. iTunes	http://www.apple.com/itunes/	PC/Mac	Free educational content through iTunes
16. Wikimindmap	http://wikimindmap.com/index.htm	Web browser	A tool to easily and efficiently browse wiki content
17. Mini \$ (Mini-Money)	http://www.macupdate.com/info.php/id/25726	PC/Mac	Free budget/money management
18. NRCC TED	http://www.montereyinstitute.org/nrocc/ http://www.ted.com/	Web browser Web browser	The National Repository of Online Courses (NRCC) is a growing library of high-quality online course content The best talks and performances from Technology, Entertainment, and Design
19. Gmaps Pedometer	http://www.gmap-pedometer.com/	Web browser	Mapping application to record distances traveled
20. Readability Cue Prompter	http://lab.arc90.com/experiments/readability/ http://www.cueprompter.com/	Web browser Web browser	A simple tool that makes reading on the Web more enjoyable by removing the clutter A free web browser teleprompter
21. Desktop Curtain Fences Source Forge School Forge	http://www.versiontracker.com/dyn/moreinfo/macosx/26396 http://www.stardock.com/products/fences/ http://sourceforge.net/ http://www.schoolforge.net/	Mac PC PC/Mac	Free software that hides desktop clutter for presentations or screen shots Free open source software Free open source software for education