

Seven Wonders of the World



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INTRODUCTION

Dear Students,

This WebQuest challenges you to investigate the World Wonders of different times with the help of on-line resources. As is known there are several lists of wonders compiled over the ages to the catalogue of the most spectacular man-made constructions and natural things in the world.

Some of these wonders no longer stand, having been destroyed by natural disasters or by humans, though the mankind has saved the memory about them. But you can enjoy the wonders of the Modern World and New Seven Wonders announced during the Official Declaration ceremony in Lisbon, Portugal, July 7, 2007.

This motivational, fun and enlightening WebQuest provides you a hand-on opportunity to explore them all and make your own evaluation while combining and practicing language and social studies skills.

Sincerely Yours,
Yana Gareyeva
EFL Instructor

TASK

Your first steps are:

1. Register at www.yahoo.com and create your own e-mail box (in case you haven't your own one).
2. Install ICQ at www.icq.com and Microsoft Office PowerPoint at www.microsoft.com (in case you haven't your own one).
3. Register at www.livejournal.com and create your own personal blog.
4. Follow the provided links to carry out your tasks.
5. Feel free to contact your EFL Instructor via e-mail or ICQ. (yanagareyeva@yandex.ru, ICQ 497678049).

Your second steps are:

This WebQuest offers you to study the web pages of 5 different world wonder lists:

1. Seven Wonders of the Ancient World
 2. Wonders of the Medieval World
 3. Wonders of the Modern World
 4. Seven Natural Wonders of the World
 5. New Seven Wonders
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2. Surfing through the net resources, you are to fulfill the offered tasks and your final project will be to make your own list of wonders.

PROCESS

You have 6 weeks to carry out this WebQuest. Please, do not forget to post all your scripts in your blogs and send this information to your EFL Instructor via e-mail.

Week 1: Seven Wonders of the Ancient World

The Seven Wonders of the Ancient World are the first known ones of the most remarkable man-made creations of classical antiquity, and the list of the Seven Wonders was based on guide-books popular among Hellenic sight-seers and it only includes works located around the Mediterranean rim. The number seven was chosen because the Greeks believed it to be magical.

Step1.

Imagine that you have been transported from your class via time machine to ancient civilization.

Before you depart, you have been given an important assignment. You are to visit each of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. You need to gather interesting facts about each of them.

When you return, you will be featured as a "reporter" for News Radio. Prepare a presentation for the station's "Student Reporter" news about your favorite Wonder you visited (you should choose only one of them).

Preparing your report, be sure to include data such as:

- a) time period of construction;
- b) location;
- c) highlights about the structure itself;
- d) what impressed you the most about it.

STEP2.

Follow the web links:

SEVEN WONDERS OF THE ANCIENT WORLD

Great Pyramid of Giza

http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Great_Pyramid.html

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Great_Pyramid_of_Giza

<http://wonderclub.com/WorldWonders/PyramidHistory.html>

Hanging Gardens of Babylon

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanging_Gardens_of_Babylon

<http://wonderclub.com/WorldWonders/GardenHistory.html>

<http://www.unmuseum.org/hangg.htm>

Statue of Zeus at Olympia

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Statue_of_Zeus_at_Olympia

<http://wonderclub.com/WorldWonders/ZeusHistory.html>

<http://www.english-reading.iatp.ge/Read/7Wonders/zeus.htm>

Temple of Artemis at Ephesus

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Temple_of_Artemis

<http://wonderclub.com/WorldWonders/ArtemisHistory.html>

http://www.english-reading.iatp.ge/Read/7Wonders/temple_of_artemis_at_ephesus.htm

Mausoleum of Maussollos at Halicarnassus

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mausoleum_of_Maussollos

<http://wonderclub.com/WorldWonders/MausoleumHistory.html>

http://ancienthistory.suite101.com/article.cfm/the_mausoleum_at_halicarnassus

Colossus of Rhodes

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colossus_of_Rhodes

<http://wonderclub.com/WorldWonders/ColossusHistory.html>

<http://www.unmuseum.org/colrhode.htm>

Lighthouse of Alexandria

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lighthouse_of_Alexandria

<http://wonderclub.com/WorldWonders/LighthouseHistory.html>

<http://www.touregypt.net/featurestories/pharoslighthouse.htm>

The background of the slide is a photograph of a vast, deep blue ocean stretching to the horizon. The sky above is a lighter blue with wispy white clouds. On the left side, a vibrant rainbow is visible, its colors blending into the blue of the sky and sea. The text is overlaid on the upper portion of the image.

Step3.

Post your report using the plan above in your personal blog.

Week 2: Wonders of the Medieval World

Step1.

Imagine you are a TV presenter of a famous TV program "Who wants to be a millionaire?" You need to make 14 questions about seven wonders of the medieval world. Study the web links below and think over your questions. Start with easy questions and gradually make them more difficult. Do not forget to value your questions in currency you like!

Find a partner from your group and exchange your ICQ numbers. Ask him/her your questions via ICQ. Give him/her time to think and evaluate the answers.

Step2.

Follow the web links:

SEVEN WONDERS OF THE MEDIEVAL WORLD

Stonehenge

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stonehenge>

<http://witcombe.sbc.edu/earthmysteries/EMStonehenge.html>

<http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/server/show/nav.876>

Colosseum

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colosseum>

http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Roman_Colosseum.html

<http://www.the-colosseum.net/idx-en.htm>

Taj Mahal

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taj_Mahal

<http://www.tajmahal.org.uk/>

http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Taj_Mahal.html

Great Wall of China

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Great_Wall_of_China

<http://www.crystalinks.com/chinawall.html>

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/greatwall/>

Porcelain Tower of Nanjing

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Porcelain_Tower_of_Nanjing

<http://www.tqnyc.org/NYC030298/wonders2.php?12>

<http://www.new-7-wonders.com/porcelain-tower-of-nanjing>

Hagia Sophia

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hagia_Sophia

http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Hagia_Sophia.html

<http://www.turizm.net/turkey/history/hagiasophia.html>

Leaning Tower of Pisa

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaning_Tower_of_Pisa

http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Leaning_Tower_of_Pisa.html

http://www.italyguides.it/us/pisa/leaning_tower.htm

Step3.

Copy your ICQ chat with your partner and the total score in your personal blog.

Week 3: Wonders of the Modern World

Step1.

This time you are to choose any wonder you like.
Write 10 rules about what people should or shouldn't
do in order to keep safe modern wonders for future
generations.

Step2.

Follow the web links:

SEVEN WONDERS OF THE MODERN WORLD

1. Channel Tunnel

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Channel_Tunnel

<http://www.theotherside.co.uk/tm-heritage/background/tunnel.htm>

http://www.discoverychannel.co.uk/machines_and_engineering/tunnels/index.shtml

2. CN Tower

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/CN_Tower

<http://www.cntower.com/>

<http://www.cntower.ca/portal/>

3. Empire State Building

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Empire_State_Building

<http://www.esbnyc.com/index2.cfm>

http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Empire_State_Building.html

4. Golden Gate Bridge

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Golden_Gate_Bridge

<http://goldengatebridge.org/>

http://www.inetours.com/Pages/SFNbrhds/Golden_Gate_Bridge.html

5. Itaipu Dam

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Itaipu>

http://www.eoearth.org/article/Itaip%C3%BA_dam

<http://ga.water.usgs.gov/edu/hybiggest.html>

6. Delta Works

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Delta_Works

<http://www.deltawerken.com/Deltaworks/23.html>

<http://www.holland.nl/uk/holland/sights/delta-works.html>

7. Panama Canal

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Panama_Canal

<http://www.pancanal.com/eng/general/asi-es-el-canal.html>

<http://www.eclipse.co.uk/~sl5763/panama.htm>

Step3.

Post your list of rules in your personal blog.

Week 4: Seven Natural Wonders of the World

Step1.

1. In this task you are to find 2-3 members to make a team. Imagine that your partners and you are a travel agency responsible for creating an itinerary for an American millionaire Mr. Carter. Make a plan keeping in mind that the itinerary should include this information:

- * Dates
- * Times
- * Locations
- * A few vital facts to know about the chosen natural wonder
- * Modes of transportation
- * Costs

2. Choose a name for your travel agency and explore web links of one natural wonder. Write a letter for Mr. Carter (His address is 300 Lincoln Street, Chicago, Illinois, USA). Writing a letter, do not forget to note the names of your partners.

Step2.

Follow the web links:

SEVEN NATURAL WONDERS OF THE WORLD

Grand Canyon

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grand_Canyon

<http://www.nps.gov/grca/>

http://www.bobspixels.com/kaibab.org/geology/gc_geol.htm

Great Barrier Reef

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Great_Barrier_Reef

<http://www.cultureandrecreation.gov.au/articles/greatbarrierreef/>

<http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/154>

Harbour Rio de Janeiro

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rio_de_Janeiro

<http://www.tqnyc.org/NYC062657/rioharbour.htm>

http://www.whatsonwhen.com/sisp/index.htm?fx=event&event_id=30180

Mount Everest

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mount_Everest

<http://www.mnteverest.net/history.html>

<http://www.peakware.com/peaks.html?pk=80>

Aurora

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aurora_%28astronomy%29

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aurora_\(astronomy\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aurora_(astronomy))

<http://www.geo.mtu.edu/weather/aurora/>

Parícutin volcano

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Par%C3%ADcutin>

http://volcano.und.edu/vwdocs/volc_images/img_paricutin.html

<http://www.bhargavaz.net/rashi/volcano.html>

Victoria Falls

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Victoria_Falls

<http://www.zambiatourism.com/travel/places/victoria.htm>

<http://www.places.co.za/html/vicfalls.html>

Step 3.

Post your letter using the plan above in your personal blog.

Week 5: New Seven Wonders

Step1.

Imagine you are working in an advertising agency. Choose one of new seven wonders and make a postcard with a description of it (100-150 words will be enough). Feel free to use different images from the net or you may draw a picture by yourself.

Step 2

Follow the web links:

NEW SEVEN WONDERS

1. The Pyramid at Chichen Itza

<http://www.new7wonders.com/classic/en/n7w/results/c/ChichenItza/>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chichen_Itza

http://www.locogringo.com/past_spotlights/apr2002.html

2. Christ Redeemer

<http://www.new7wonders.com/classic/en/n7w/results/c/ChristRedeemer/>

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christ_the_Redeemer_\(statue\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christ_the_Redeemer_(statue))

<http://www.copacabana.info/christ-the-redeemer.html>

3. The Roman Colosseum

<http://www.new7wonders.com/classic/en/n7w/results/c/TheRomanColosseum/>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colosseum>

http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Roman_Colosseum.html

4. The Great Wall of China

<http://www.new7wonders.com/classic/en/n7w/results/c/TheGreatWallofChina/>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Great_Wall_of_China

<http://www.crystalinks.com/chinawall.html>

5. Machu Picchu

<http://www.new7wonders.com/classic/en/n7w/results/c/MachuPicchu/>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Machu_Picchu

http://www.sacredsites.com/americas/peru/machu_picchu.html

6. Petra

<http://www.new7wonders.com/classic/en/n7w/results/c/Petra/>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Petra>

<http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/326>

7. The Taj Mahal

<http://www.new7wonders.com/classic/en/n7w/results/c/TheTajMahal/>

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taj_Mahal

http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Taj_Mahal.html

Step 3.

Post your postcard in your personal blog.

Week 6: My Own Seven Wonders

Step1.

You've already studied 5 different lists of world wonders. Here's your chance to think how your ideal list would look like and why. You may choose any wonders that you've explored in the Internet or find new ones in your country or native city/town. Use photos or images from the net or make pictures yourself. Make a Power Point Presentation (PPP) and write a self-reflective essay about your 7 wonders (150-200 words). Explain your choice.

Step2.

Post your self-reflective essay in your personal blog. Be ready to show your PPP in a class.

EVALUATION

The performance of this Web Quest is evaluated by 100 points.

Week 1 - 15 points

Week 2 - 15 points

Week 3 - 15 points

Week 4 - 10 points

Week 5 - 15 points

Week 6 - 30 points

CONCLUSION

By completing this activity you will be able to:

1. Learn more about the human heritage;
2. Develop your communicative and collaborative skills;
3. Experience various Internet tools and technologies: web pages, e-mail, chatting and blogging;
4. Make your own Power Point Presentations.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Encyclopedias

<http://www.britannica.com/>

<http://www.encyclopedia.com/>

http://www.si.edu/Encyclopedia_SI/

<http://www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Encyclopedia>

Dictionaries

<http://www.freedict.com/onldict/rus.html>

Helpful links how to write a letter

<http://www.wikihow.com/Write-a-Letter>

<http://www.usingenglish.com/resources/letter-writing.html>

Additional links:

<http://www.angelfire.com/vt/kuzy/new.html>

www.new7wonders.com/

http://www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seven_Wonders_of_the_World

<http://www.wonderclub.com/AllWorldWonders.html>

www.unmuseum.org/wonders.htm

www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/sunken/wonders

www.cbc.ca/sevenwonders

<http://www.answers.yahoo.com/question/index?qid=20070228130931AAjU9yW>

www.hillmanwonders.com/z_seven_wonders/seven_wonders.htm

www.cleveleys.co.uk/wonders/sevenwondersoftheworld.htm

www.123world.com/wonders

<http://www.wonderclub.com/AllWorldWonders.html>

www.penncen.com/7wonders/7wonders.html