Online Reading Resources for Students

Useful Online Resources Available at No Cost
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Alphabet for Kids (Pre-K-1)
Alphabet activities, including a letter-matching, letter-sequencing, and matching upper case with lowercase letters.
http://www.literacycenter.net/lessonview_en.php

Environmental Print (Pre-K-1)
Children and parents use signs, labels, wrappers, and other types of packaging found within their environment in order to make connections between print and reading.
http://www.readingrockets.org/article/37100

A Picture's Worth a Thousand Words (Pre-K-1)
Children develop their own stories to go along with wordless picture books.
http://abc-read.com/write.html

PBS Between the Lions (Pre-K-3)
Activities that develop skills with songs and stories.
http://pbskids.org/lions/

Folk Tales from Around the World (Pre-K-3)
Children learn about cultures through folk tales from many countries.
http://www.pitara.com/talespin/folktales.asp

Children's Books (Grades PreK-8)
Browse books by topic and age, get reading resources, and view book blogs
http://childrensbooks.about.com/

Language Building Activities (K-2)
Children to play naming, letter identification, and rhyming games.
http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/bll/index.htm

One Stop Learning Activities (K-2 and 3-5)
Children can choose from many different reading and writing activities, including rhyming, spelling, read-a long, matching sounds with letters and words, and story starters.
http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/clf/index.htm?grade=grdk2&subject=spanish

Character Scrapbook (K-8)
Children can analyze the characters in any book, as well as print and collect scrapbook pages.
http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/scrapbook/index.htm

Let the Show Begin! Literary Talent Show (Grades K-6)
Children choose their favorite songs, poems, or stories to act out in a talent show for friends and family.
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/show-begin-literary-talent-30609.html

International Children's Digital Library (Grades K-8)
A collection of books from throughout the world that you can read and browse online
http://en.childrenslibrary.org/

Share What You're Reading (Grades 1-12)
Share what you are reading with other students and discover new books
http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/swyar/index.asp

Create Trading Cards for Favorite Characters (Grades 3-5)
Use the online Character Trading Cards tool to have children make cards describing their favorite characters from the books on their reading list.
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/create-trading-cards-favorite-30171.html

Exploring the Library (Grades 3-5)
Plan a visit to a library to discover more about this magical place.
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/exploring-library-30286.html

Mail Time! (Grades 3-5)
Sort through your junk mail and talk about what you find for a fun literacy activity before recycling it!
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/mail-time-30288.html

Start Your Own Book Club (Grades 3-5)
Children can enjoy a community-building experience by meeting with friends to choose, read, and discuss books together.
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/start-your-book-club-30289.html

The Biography Maker (3-6)
Children read and organize information to create biographies.
http://bellinghamschools.org/department-owner/curriculum/biography-maker

Novel Companions (Grades 3-8)
Helps you understand plot, setting, words and more from popular novels.
http://www.scholastic.com/kids/homework/bookfiles.htm

Online Books and Magazines (Grades 3-8)
Browse and read a wide selection of kids' books and magazines and view various book lists.
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/make-mystery-puzzle-30146.html

Read and Write about Poems (Grades 3-8)
The largest collection of poetry for kids on the internet
http://www.poetry4kids.com/

Make a Mystery Puzzle (Grades 5-8)
Have children explore the different parts of mystery writing by making a puzzle about a favorite book. They can then invent and write their own mysteries using the online Mystery Cube tool.
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/make-mystery-puzzle-30146.html

Finding Poetry in Pleasure Reading (Grades 6-8)
After reading a book or magazine, children and teens can choose a section and transform it into what's known as a "found poem."
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/finding-poetry-pleasure-reading-30301.html

Have You Seen the Movie Yet? (Grades 6-8)
Create movie scenes based on a book you read.
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/activities-projects/have-seen-movie-30298.html