Week of 5/19/14

1. General
   1. Flipped classrooms? If you’ve thought about trying this (and some of you have), here’s a nice article by a teacher who incorporated one flipped lesson into her 7th grade inclusion class (helpful because she outlines her planning & follow-up processes well) -- <http://www.middleweb.com/15091/flipped-inclusion-class/>
   2. Tips for end-of-year burnout – these are pretty simple and can be quick & easy (some of you are trying to do this already) -- <http://www.edutopia.org/blog/end-of-year-burnout-how-to-finish-stride-maurice-elias>
   3. Using Minecraft in various classes (I know my girls LOVE this game) -- <https://newsela.com/articles/minecraft-schools/id/3796/>
   4. “embedded assessments in games” – many of you do similar things, but this was a nice blog with some interesting games mentioned) -- <http://www.edutopia.org/blog/classroom-game-becomes-embedded-assessment-ross-flatt>
   5. (listed in ELA section, too, but many of you have students do research projects & might want to check this out -- <http://www.middleweb.com/15222/dbq-appoach-research-papers/>)
2. Science
   1. Article about the new roller coaster that could be steepest & fastest ever -- <https://newsela.com/articles/wooden-rollercoaster/id/3915/>
   2. Article about “killer asteroids” -- <https://newsela.com/articles/asteroid-crowdsource/id/3957/>
3. Social Studies
   1. Article about kidnapped Nigerian girls -- <https://newsela.com/articles/bokoharam-video/id/3998/>
   2. Obama’s response to missing Nigerian girls -- <https://newsela.com/articles/nigeria-kidnapping/id/3926/>
   3. Possible sunken ship of Columbus -- <https://newsela.com/articles/columbus-shipwreck/id/4005/>
4. ELA
   1. Great article with embedded videos of classes where teachers use different strategies to help students manage complex texts – definitely worth watching -- <https://www.teachingchannel.org/blog/2014/05/09/video-playlist-text-complexity/>
   2. Nice overview & explanation of DBQ (document-based question) approach to research papers / projects – <http://www.middleweb.com/15222/dbq-appoach-research-papers/>
5. Math
   1. Full text online preview – *Intentional Talk: How to Structure & Lead Productive Mathematical Discussions* – (really, the whole book is available to preview & looks pretty helpful to me) <http://www.stenhouse.com/html/intentional-talk.htm?r=nb140514n>
6. Encore
   1. Health / PE – article about nutrition & school lunch -- <https://newsela.com/articles/lunch-standards/id/3951/>
   2. Technology – article about getting inside Frank Lloyd Wright’s S.C. Johnson’s research tower -- <https://newsela.com/articles/scjohnson-building/id/3863/>
   3. Art – very interesting article about cleaning some of Ancient Athens’ statues -- <https://newsela.com/articles/statue-surgery/id/3949/>
7. Just for fun…

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