

ITLA WWW Links & Resources

Business Development

Biz Plan Tips (http://dollardiva.com/bizplan/bizplan_tips.html)

While this site refers to a Biz Plan Competition this is a good list of tips and pointers for developing a business plan in general.

Creative Thinking

Creative Think (<http://www.creativethink.com>)

Visit the site of Author and Creativity Consultant Roger von Oech for a creative "Whack on the Side of the Head".

Smart Games (<http://www.smartgames.com>)

Build your creativity, test your brains against others on-line or just have some fun at the Smart Games web site. You must register to access the on-line games.

Welcome to Mind Tools! (<http://www.mindtools.com/>)

Mind Tools mission is to help people starting their careers understand the essential skills and techniques which will help them to excel, whatever their chosen profession.

BuildingBrands, Unlock Your Potential (<http://www.buildingbrands.com>)

BuildingBrands has been set up by a small team of marketing professionals as a way of sharing many years of experience in building brands that build business. The site is a resource to anyone interesting in brands and how to build them.

The Creativity Web (<http://members.ozemail.com.au/~caveman/Creative/index2.html>)

The Creativity Web is a resource center giving you information to help you become more creative. Resources are numerous and include books, software, and techniques. Additional resources are included to stimulate your thinking: quotations, affirmations and humor.

WB Looney Tunes on the WWW (<http://looneytunes.warnerbros.com/web/toons/home.jsp>)

Need a creative humor break, check out the WB Looney tunes web site to see your favorite Looney Toons Character on the WWW.

Graphic Design & Logos

Mundi Design Studio (<http://www.mundidesign.com>)

Mundi Design Studio is an excellent site for learning graphic design and Flash.

My Logo (<http://www.1800mylogo.com>)

Great site for learning about branding and logo development.

E Studio (<http://www.estudio.com>)

eStudio is an excellent site for learning about graphic design and multimedia.

Idea Book (<http://www.ideabook.com>)

WELCOME to ideabook.com: A place to learn how-to design and market anything.

History of Technology

History Channel Technology Timeline (<http://www.historychannel.com/timeline/>)

History Channel Time Line of Technology. Pick a century and a decade to see what happened in the past related to technological development.

Alexander Graham Bell Family Papers (<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/bellhtml/bellhome.html>)

The online version of the Alexander Graham Bell Family Papers at the Library of Congress contains about 4650 items consisting of correspondence, scientific notebooks, journals, blueprints, articles, and photographs documenting Bell's invention of the telephone and his involvement in the first telephone

company, his family life, his interest in the education of the deaf, and his aeronautical and other scientific research.

Prolific Inventor Thomas Alva Edison (<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/edhtml/edhome.html>)

Prolific inventor Thomas Alva Edison (1847-1931) has had a profound impact on modern life. In his lifetime, the "Wizard of Menlo Park" patented 1,093 inventions, including the phonograph, the kineograph (a motion picture camera), and the kinoscope (a motion picture viewer). Edison managed to become not only a renowned inventor, but also a prominent manufacturer and businessman through the merchandising of his inventions. The collections in the Library of Congress's Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division contain an extraordinary range of the surviving products of Edison's entertainment inventions and industries.

The Samuel F. B. Morse Papers (<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/sfbmhtml/sfbmhome.html>)

The online presentation of The Samuel F. B. Morse Papers at the Library of Congress comprises about 6,500 items, or approximately 50,000 images, that document Morse's invention of the electromagnetic telegraph, his participation in the development of telegraph systems in the United States and abroad, his career as a painter, his family life, his travels, and his interest in early photography, religion, and the nativist movement.

Patents, Inventions, and Products Search Links

Welcome to the U.S. Copyright Office (<http://www.loc.gov/copyright/>)

Welcome to the U.S. Copyright Office. We in the Copyright Office are proud to be part of a long tradition of promoting progress of the arts and protection for the works of authors. Our homepage has been created with the desire to serve the copyright community of creators and users, as well as the general public.

US Patents Tracking Office (<http://www.uspto.gov>)

The Official database of the US Patents Office which contains every Patent ever filed, abstracts describing the Patent, and relevant invention information related to the teachings and art in the invention. Also contained on this site are search engines for finding Trademarks filed.

Delphion Patents Search (<http://www.delphion.com/simple>)

This is another site utilized by many for the searching of previously filed Patents.

Half-Bakery Ideas (<http://www.halfbakery.com>)

This site has many ideas, which are - well - half baked. These ideas are submitted by many around the world, but the ideas never found homes. Have fun.

Independent Inventors Resources (<http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/com/iip/index.htm>)

This site tells all Inventors everything she/he ever wanted to know about becoming an Inventor. This information is provided by the US Patents Office.

TechTV (<http://www.techtv.com>)

The link to this site will provide you with many ideas for advanced products and solutions, such as wireless. I use Charter Communications cable and find the TechTV channel on 66. Its an interesting show - check it out.

JTech Wireless Products Site (<http://www.jtech.com/index2.htm>)

The link to this site will provide you with some ideas which some commercial wireless products already deliver.

Totally Absurd Inventions (<http://www.totallyabsurd.com>)

Totally Absurd Inventions explores the funnier side of our inventive spirit by featuring actual USA patented* products!

Security Topics

Wi-Fi Security (<http://www.newsfactor.com/perl/story/18241.html>)

A report on Wi-Fi Security.

IBM's Wi-Fi Security Monitor (http://www.isp-planet.com/fixed_wireless/equipment/2001/ibm_secure_wifi.html)
IBM Corporation Wi-Fi Security Monitoring.

CERT (Carnegie Mellon Computer Emergency Response Team) (<http://www.cert.org/>)
The world's foremost computer security emergency response team, from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA.

Industrial Security Topics (<http://www.securityfocus.com>)
A site with a variety of current corporate security topics addressed.

FirstGov Service (<http://www.firstgov.gov>)
A Government entity involved in IT, Cyber Defense, Employment, Careers, Security, and much more.

Technology & Design Companies

Smart Jacket (<http://www.news.cornell.edu/releases/Dec02/smart.jacket.ssl.html>)
Check out this Smart Jacket designed by a Cornell University student.

KurzweilAI.Net (<http://www.kurzweilai.net>)
KurzweilAI.net features the big thoughts of today's big thinkers examining the confluence of accelerating revolutions that are shaping our future world, and the inside story on new technological and social realities from the pioneers actively working in these arenas. Founder Ray Kurzweil is an inventor, author, MIT Professor and he also received the 1999 National Medal of Technology, the nation's highest honor in technology.

Ideo: The Masters of Industrial Design (<http://www.ideo.com>)
IDEO is an award winning design company which has created revolutionary designs like the original computer mouse. Visit this site to see examples from a professional product design portfolio.

The Intel Trade Mark (<http://www.sharperthinking.com/inside>)
Read the inside story of how Intel developed there Intel Inside trademark and while you are at Sharper Thinking try you skill at some of the creative challenges.

Apple iPod Web Site (<http://www.apple.com/ipod/>)
Check out the new Apple iPod MP3 player. Features 1000 songs on a Firewire HD and a unique user friendly design.

Business Week 2001 Product Design Awards
(http://www.businessweek.com/magazine/content/01_26/art01_26/photoessay/da_gen1.html)
Check out the line-up of the Business Week 2001 Product Designs of the Year. Apple Titanium Powerbook took the Gold!

Gadgets and Gizmos (<http://www.wired.com/news/gizmos/>)
Wired magazine articles about the latest collection of electronic communications gadgets and gizmos.

Danger... Communications Products (<http://www.danger.com>)
Check out the HipHop the latest product from Danger. The hiptop is a live device that seamlessly connects to wireless networks, providing consumers the freedom to browse the Internet, exchange instant messages, and send and receive email with attachments.

Virtual Keyboards (<http://www.vkb.co.il>)
Meet the keyboard of the future. Break the light beam and the device registers your keystroke. Licensee Siemens targets PDAs and Cell Phones.

Accenture R&D Technology Showcase
(http://www.accenture.com/xd/xd.asp?it=enWeb&xd=services\technology\research\tech_showcase.xml) This video collection illustrates some of the work that Accenture Technology Labs researchers and developers have been doing in the areas of Ubiquitous Computing, Information Insights & Management, Virtual & Augmented Environments, User Experience & Language Technology and Future Watch.

Augerment ! (<http://www.augerment.com>)

I found this site for a company that has several different interesting inventions, including a wireless tooth implant!! Check it out! -Mel Terryville High IT Academy (North Div)