

# D90 TECH NEWS

Tech Refresh Presentations/Resources You May Find Useful:  
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## Journey's Login

Your Journeys username is lastnamefirstinitial. Your password is firstinitiallastinitial####. So far the Journeys app (called HMH Reader) only allows us access to some leveled readers. Administration/specialists are trying to determine if the other (paid) offerings are worth the cost. Tech and Instructional Specialists are attending a Journeys tech training at the end of the month so hopefully we'll gain some clarity at that point.

## Journeys Won't Work If...

THIS IS CAUSING A LOT OF PROBLEMS: If you can't get to certain pages in Journeys online you probably need to disable your pop up blocker in Firefox, Safari, or Chrome (yes, it works in Chrome if you do this, despite my previous email). Just this morning Evie wasn't able to use Firefox with it but Safari worked. I think it has something to do w/ a Flash update. It's all very annoying, I agree! Try first to go to preferences in your browser and uncheck the "disable pop ups" box. If that doesn't work, try a flash update and restart your computer. Or, email helpdesk. The popup preferences screen for Safari looks like this:



## Cart Codes

Cart Codes will change soon but for now:

Willard carts
CART A - 25 Macbooks, combo: 2010
CART B - 20 iBook G4s, combo: 0476
CART C - 24 Powerbooks, combo: 2010
iPad cart- 2012
Yapelli: 6740

**Students should not be given the cart codes once we re-set them.**

## PowerTeacher

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Your Powerteacher username is lastname (no first initial). Your password is your 4 digits.



### New Lexia Website

- The new website for Lexia is called Lexia Core 5 and the new url is: <http://www.lexiacore5.com>. From their website: "Lexia Reading Core 5 expands upon the scope of award-winning Lexia Reading and covers the six areas of reading for students of all abilities in grades pre-K–5." Student username=lastnameinitial, Student password=1234 (or "read"). **THE NEW LEXIA APP WILL SOON BE ON THE IPADS!**
- You can still use the Lexia icon on the dock of lab computers/student laptops but it's different from what is online and not accessible on an ipad. I have not yet had time to explore the differences. Student username=lastnameinitial, Student password=1234 (or "read").



### Lexia Teacher Site

The Lexia teacher site (to monitor student progress) is <https://www.mylexia.com> (bookmark it!) Username: your D90 email address. Password: You can use the "forgot password" link on the login page to reset it if you need to.



### Buy Headphones if Needed

The tech dept no longer replaces your headphones. Please plan ahead and purchase an extra set or two if you think you may need them.



### New Reading Plus Website

The Reading Plus website address has changed AND IT IS NOW ACCESSIBLE ON THE IPADS (but it's not an app, just go to the web address). It's now <https://>

[login.readingplus.com](http://login.readingplus.com). Student username= d90lastnamefirstinitial (except duplicate students, in which case their full first name is used; ex: d90doejane). Student password= ID #. Staff Username: d90LastnameFirstinitial (d90NelsonM) Staff psswd= capital initials + last 4 of social (i.e. MN1234). DON'T USE THE OLD WEBSITE YOU HAD BOOKMARKED ANYMORE, it won't work.

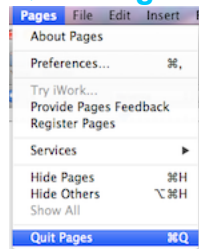
**Have Your Students Use the Header for Their Name in Pages or Word**  
**Students should insert their full names and classroom into the header of any document they create. This way their name will appear on all sheets of paper they print and it will be easier to track them down if they are printing carelessly.**



Student Name goes here. If they write it here it will be printed on every page.

Header bar is above the "normal" writing area. Just double click the top of the page.

## Quit Programs to Help Your Laptop Run Better

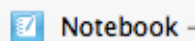


Quit (don't just close) your applications when you're not using them. Example: If you're in Word and then finish your work hit Command Q to quit the program. Don't just hit the red button on the top left corner. When you quit programs it helps your computer work faster because it's not "thinking" about unused applications running in the background.



## Tumblebooks on iPads

Tumblebooks for iPads uses a different link than Tumblebooks on a laptop. Use this for the iPads: <http://goo.gl/VA8jbv>. It will be a saved Safari bookmark once we update the iPad carts.



## Keep Notebook Files Small



Ever wonder who is in charge of what? Here is a brief description.

## YOUR TECH TEAM-- WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO:



- o Kevin Martin, Tech Director: He does it ALL (except smile). Especially useful (via helpdesk) w/ emailing from home issues, Powerteacher problems.



- o Ange Davis, Tech Specialist: Fixer of things like Powerteacher and report cards, gives out new "refresh" laptops, handles registrations, fees, state reporting, D90 public website.

- o Bill Lovell, Tech Specialist:



- o Fixer of tech issues @ Roos.

- o Brady Kosterman, Tech Specialist.



- o Fixer of tech issues @ Willard and Lincoln. Especially helpful w/ Notebook, emailing from home, Pages and Apple TV issues.

- o Lindsay Johnson, Tech Integration Specialist

- o Tech coach for staff @ Roos. Assists in planning implementation of tech enhanced assignments.



- o Annmarie Clasky, Tech Integration Specialist

- o Tech coach for staff @ Lincoln. Assists in planning implementation of tech enhanced assignments.

- o Mandy Nelson, Tech Integration Specialist

- o Tech coach for staff @ Willard. Assists in planning implementation of tech enhanced assignments. Maintains D90 Staff Site.

