

helping parents to help their children learn



"Strengthening home -  
school partnerships"

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## 1 What's Important to Learn? - Stephen Downes

Stephen is a researcher for the Institute of Information Technology, in New Brunswick, Canada. The following list is, in his view, what we need to learn in order to be successful in the 21st century. We can start to learn these things this year, no matter how old we are.

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| 1. How to read                           | 6. How to learn                |
| 2. How to distinguish truth from fiction | 7. How to stay healthy         |
| 3. How to empathise                      | 8. How to predict consequences |
| 4. How to be creative                    | 9. How to value yourself       |
| 5. How to communicate clearly            | 10. How to live meaningfully   |

For a full description + great pics on each of these ten points check out the following:

[www.masternewmedia.org/news/2006/09/11/how\\_to\\_be\\_successful\\_stephen.htm](http://www.masternewmedia.org/news/2006/09/11/how_to_be_successful_stephen.htm)

## 2 Rainforest Maths [www.rainforestmaths.com](http://www.rainforestmaths.com)

This engaging site has lots of brilliant online maths activities. You can choose the difficulty level to match your child and there's material on all the major areas of primary mathematics.

## 3 Literacy Bites

[www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks1bitesize/literacy/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks1bitesize/literacy/)

Bite-sized fun and interactive games to help your children with a range of literacy topics: spelling, punctuation, sentence structure...



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