

**Guide to the use of IWB** *(Interactive Whiteboard)* **Smartboard Notebook Files.**

This collection of digital resources for teaching KS2 Languages contains Smartboard Notebook files. These files allow language-learning and teaching to become interactive – learners are able to interact directly with the board, moving images and words to demonstrate meaning and create sentences, dialogues as well as more extended text.

Where schools do not have SMARTBOARDS but another brand of Interactive Whiteboard, the following webpage will allow FREE access to any of the Smartboard notebook files included in these folders:

[**http://express.smarttech.com/#**](http://express.smarttech.com/#)

This facility will allow teachers to open and project the documents and in many cases use them on IWBs other than Smartboards. Even if full interactivity is not enabled, teachers and pupils can interact with the documents by operating a mouse connected to a PC or laptop. Smartboard Notebook can also be very effectively installed on a suite of PCs to enable learners to interact with the documents individually. Please see the licencing terms on the Smart website: [**http://education.smarttech.com**](http://education.smarttech.com)

Alternatively the use of the *express smarttech* website above would also allow these files to be accessed on individual PCs.

**Task Magic Files**

**Task Magic:** this is a programme from MDL which allows teachers to type in a list of words or phrases (chosen by the teacher), turning them into 16 games/activities which are also differentiated in terms of their level of difficulty. These activities which include football, pool and hangman are an excellent way to engage pupils with language-learning: they are competitive, challenging and motivational for learners of all abilities and all levels.

A licence is required for schools to use this programme but there is also a free home-use version for pupils which enables them to consolidate and extend their learning. A free trial version of the programme is also available for teachers. Full terms of the licences are available on the MDL website.

http://www.mdlsoft.co.uk/index.php