Quick Start Guide

Sparkito! kinder

System Requirements

Windows®

- Windows XP, Vista, Windows 7
- Adobe Flash Player Version 10
- One USB 2.0 port
- Pentium 1.5 GHz (or compatible)
- 512MB RAM
- Digital projector
- Stereo speakers
- Screen resolution 1024x768 pixels
- No Internet connection required

Mac®

- Intel Mac
- OS X 10.5.1 (Tiger) or later
- Adobe Flash Player Version 10
- One USB 2.0 port
- 512MB RAM
- Digital projector
- Stereo speakers
- Screen resolution 1024 x 768 pixels
- No Internet connection required

Navigation

Introduction

Sparkito! Kinder version 1.0 is an interactive program in English and Spanish that is designed to teach Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Language and Music academic concepts for the Pre-Kinder and Kindergarten levels. This user's manual is a quick guide to the program.

This is Sparkito!'s main screen. Your friendly interface includes the course menu and content preview.

Course Menu

Sparkito! Kinder is organized in a way that allows for easy access to content. Math and Science are organized by Units then Topics. Social Studies, Language Arts and Music are organized beginning at the Topic level.

To access the Units or Topics, hover over or click a course like Math. Notice that you can toggle into Pre-K focused content by clicking "Pre-K" on the upper-right corner of the Units and Topics pane.

English-Spanish Toggle

To select the language, press on the "English – Español" icon that appears in the bottom center of the screen at any time.

This feature offers the same content, including songs and narrations, by native speakers in both languages.

Exiting Sparkito!

If you want to exit the program, click on the "X".

Course Descriptions

Math

This course is divided in five units. Each unit is divided into several topics. There are three types of formats by which each *Math* topic might be presented. The types of formats are indicated by following icons:

Train with color blocks that demonstrates counting and adding

Song based on content of topic

Game related to content of topic

Math has many more topics than any of the other courses. Because of this, the list of topics for Operations & Quantitative Reasoning and Algebraic Thinking appears in two consecutive screens, instead of only one screen. Use the arrow on the bottom right of the screen to navigate back and forth between the content.

Science

As in Math, this course is divided in five units and each unit is divided in several topics. There are two types of formats by which each *Science* topic might be presented. The types of formats are indicated by following icons:

Song based on content of topic

Narrative related to content of topic

Health

The structure of the unit Health is slightly different than the rest of the *Science* units. When you click on any of the Health topics, a screen like the one below will be displayed:

There are four types of formats by which each Health topic might be presented. The types of formats are indicated by following icons:

Story narrated with rhythm

Flash cards with images and words

Activities for identifying or relating words with images in increasing difficulty: Pre-K, K, and K+

Tool for color drawing and deleting

Social Studies

This course, as well as *Language Arts*, and *Music*, is not divided in units. It is divided directly into seven topics. Just as the unit Health in Science, there are four types of formats by which each *Social Studies* topic might be presented. The types of formats are indicated by following icons:

Story narrated with rhythm

Flash cards with images and words

Activities for identifying or relating words with images in increasing difficulty: Pre-K, K, and K+

Tool for color drawing and deleting

Language Arts

This course is divided in eight topics. The types of formats for the presentation of this course are the same as those for unit Health in *Science* and *Social Studies*:

Story narrated with rhythm

Flash cards with images and words

Activities for identifying or relating words with images in increasing difficulty: Pre-K, K, and K+

Tool for color drawing and deleting

Music

There are five topics in this course, and there are four formats of content presentation in each topic:

Song or narrative of key concepts

Practice of solfa with different difficulty levels

Interactive games to practice concepts learned

Elements of music appreciation and biographical data of classical composers

More Information

We're always here to help.

To view Getting Started videos or find a Frequently Asked Questions, visit our site at www.sparkito.com.

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