

Parent Update

Minecraft Architecture and Redstone Circuit Session 2

Students have established their homes with proper materials and resources. Students are preparing themselves to become active Redstone circuit engineers by collecting and crafting materials needed.

Educational Skills Reinforced	Technological Skills Reinforced
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numeracy • Planning • Problem Solving • Collaboration • Communication • Team Work • Leadership • Sharing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mouse Skills: Click, click & drag, double-click • Keyboarding Skills: Type text • Open and close software • Play Minecraft

Technology Words:

Software	a program that tells the computer what to do
Menu bar	a region of the screen (usually at the top) where drop-down menus of common functions are displayed, such as File, Edit and Help menus
Tool bar	a region of the screen (usually beneath the Menu bar or on the side) where icons or buttons are displayed representing individual tools
Icon	a graphical symbol (usually a picture) representing each tool
Animation	the rapid display of a series of images in order to create the illusion of movement

Parent Activity Suggestions:

- Ask your child to explain what he/she learned about Minecraft he/she created today.
- Play Minecraft with your child.
- Visit www.minecraft.net/wiki with your child.
- Explore tools used both in prehistoric times and now. Play a game at <http://www.uptoten.com/kids/kidsgames-mixedbag-prehistorictools.html> that shows what prehistoric tools were like.