

Quality web-based sources of advice and information

This document provides other sources that you can look at for information about GIS. Some are quite detailed and others provide a brief overview. Each one has a slightly different perspective which should help to develop your understanding about GIS and its possibilities in the classroom.



GIS For the Curious - "This guide on GIS is for the curious. It is for those who want to learn GIS concepts, use actual GIS software to obtain hands-on experience, and gain an insider's view of how GIS software operates. We have provided exercises, questions, and technical notes and animated demonstrations to help you."

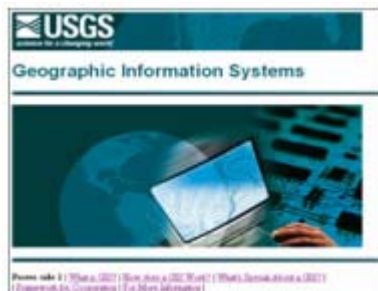
URL: <http://gge.unb.ca/Resources/GISForTheCurious/>



Ordnance Survey GIS Files – Over 7MB of information from the people who make the maps. A very comprehensive and user-friendly source of information. It is particularly good on the technical side of GIS for those who want to know a little more. You can download individual sections of the information if you wish.

URL:

<http://www.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/oswebsite/gisfiles/>



USGS geographic information Systems – a well presented and detailed outline of 'What is a GIS?'. There are lots of excellent maps and graphics as used by the USGS. It is based on a poster produced by the USGS to promote the use of GIS.

URL: http://erg.usgs.gov/isb/pubs/gis_poster/



GIS.COM What is GIS? – a set of GIS tutorials outlining the main ideas behind GIS. It includes a detailed and useful Powerpoint presentation on 'What is GIS?'. This Powerpoint could be used in the classroom as part of CPD or with students when introducing GIS.

URL: <http://www.GIS.com/whatisGIS/index.html>



ESRI.COM GIS Basics – a brief introduction to GIS from the software company that produces the world’s most popular GIS software package (ArcView)

URL: <http://www.esri.com/industries.html>

Kingston University Centre for GIS – there are a number of good resources available at this site for teachers looking for GIS materials. The materials provide a wide ranging first look at the GIS concept.

http://www.kingston.ac.uk/~gr_s045/index.htm



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