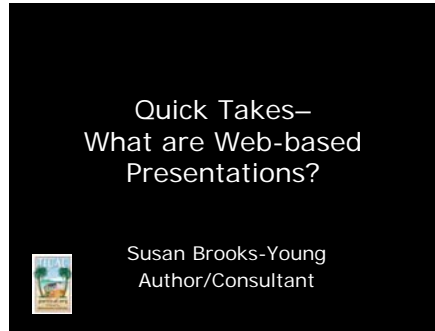
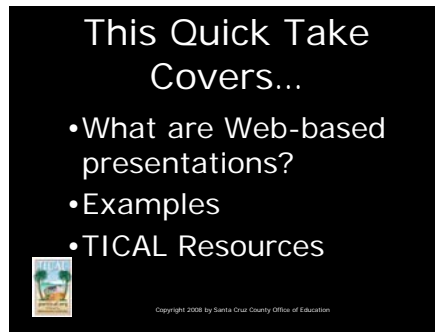


Slide 1



Hello! My name is Susan Brooks-Young. I spent 23 years working as a teacher and administrator in public and private education. Now I work with educators across the country on various aspects of technology use in schools. This is one of a series of Quick Take presentations that provides a brief overview of one emerging technology along with examples of how educators are using this tool and further information available in the TICAL Resources Database.

Slide 2



The ability to create and refresh online materials quickly and easily is a signature of Web 2.0 tools. This Quick Take focuses on tools that enable users to design and share Web-based presentations from PowerPoint-like slideshows similar to what you're viewing now to video clips created using photos and voice narration. We will answer the question, "What are Web-based presentations," view examples, and see a listing of Web-based presentation resources found in the TICAL Resource Database.

Slide 3



Web-based presentations are slideshows or video clips that viewers can watch while online. They range from existing PowerPoint files uploaded to special Websites designed for viewing to Websites that make it possible to create, edit and share presentations—all online!

Slide 4

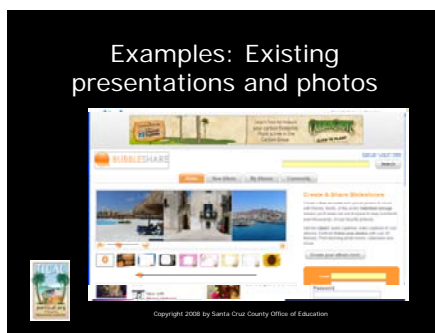
Pros	Cons
Special software not required	Slow Internet connection impedes viewing
Stored & shared online	Must have Internet access
Often support collaboration	Many tools are simplistic

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Web-based presentations make it possible for educators and students to create and edit and share presentations without necessarily having to have special software installed on their computers. Web-based presentations are saved online and do not need to be attached to an email to be shared. Several of these tools allow the presentation's author to invite other users to both view and edit a presentation--supporting anytime, anywhere online collaboration.

Web-based presentations can present some drawbacks. A slow Internet connection can make viewing difficult--particularly when a presentation uses many graphics. And, lack of an Internet connection means you cannot access your presentation at all, unless the tool you are using offers an offline feature. Finally, some tools are very simplistic, offering little in the way of animations, transitions, or other features commonly found in computer-based presentation programs. Let's take a look at a few of these tools

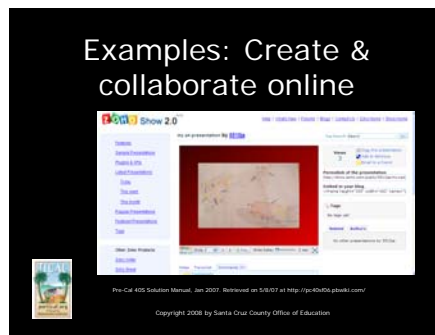
Slide 5



Many of the Web-based presentation tools allow you to use existing PowerPoint files, for example, SlideShare. Sign up for a free account, upload your file, and you're ready to go. Customized transitions and animations will not be displayed, but when you need to get basic information out to a wide audience, this is a great way to go. There are also sites such as Slide.com and Bubbleshare that help you upload and organize photographs into ready-to-use

shows.

Slide 6



There may be times when you want to work on a presentation file with one or more other people. You could call a face-to-face meeting and share one computer to do this, or you could use something like Google Docs' presentation tool. You either upload an existing PowerPoint file or build your slides online; then invite one or more collaborators to view and edit the slides from any Internet-connected computer. When you're finished, view the presentation online or download it for offline use. A similar tool is Zoho Show. Transitions and automations are limited, but the ability to work collaboratively offsets drawbacks.

Slide 7



There are even tools that do everything describe in the previous slides and then make it possible to add voice narration and video. One True Media is an example of this type of tool. And, using VoiceThread, users can create slides and make them available to collaborators who may view, edit, and add voice or text comments to each slide.

Slide 8



This slide and the next show items found in the TICAL Resources Database that will give you more information about Web-based presentations. Here are links to wiki pages that spotlight many Web-based presentation sites.

Slide 9



This slide provides links to some of the specific tools mentioned in this Quick Take. All the tools can be found in the TICAL Resource database.

Slide 10



Web-based presentations offer exciting opportunities for educators and students to work collaboratively and share information. I hope this Quick Take inspires you to learn more about Web 2.0 tools.