

Anthony Trill:

Inserting links into class notes

Background:

I always wanted to figure out how to create a link so that I could easily transition from notes to sample text, graphic image, or live video clip (documentary, song, video, etc)

I recently tried it with my Edgar Allan Poe Unit (used to show video (song version of the poem Annabel Lee)

Students first read the poem, then annotated, and discussed

Then I provided key notes and showed song version performed by Steve Nicks (some kids actually knew who she was!)

I will also use for future units (to pull up text so students can annotate using eno pen, and to pull up a map for use with Huck Finn unit

Steps:

1. Create notes (I use word document)
2. Find your link (to video, website or image)
3. Click on the URL address box of the link located at the top of the screen- the entire web site will highlight in blue
4. Click Control button (Ctrl) and C (to copy the address)
This will save it for you temporarily
5. Open notes and click where you want the link (I normally just insert after the last line of my notes) or wherever it will make sense in your lesson (for example if you have included a key quote from text and you want to show a scene from a film that includes that quote)
6. Click Control (Ctrl) + V
This will paste or attach your web address to your document page
7. It may appear like this (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KcnEcGZZIrA>)
8. **As soon as it is underlined and in blue, it becomes a link**
- *9. To open the link, press Control (Ctrl) + click on the link

General Use:

Can be used for opening text (a poem, historical document, map,) an image, or video)

*When including an image make sure that you keep clicking on the image until it is big enough to fill the whole screen (if you don't do this, you may be copying unnecessary information in addition to the picture/image.