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*To help you find the most useful Web sites for your career stage, KDP is doing the research for you. Each month, we send you sites that other educators have found useful in improving their educational practices. You can find the ones featured here, as well as hundreds of other helpful sites, by visiting [Teaching Resources](#) at [KDP Online](#).*

### **Preservice & Beginning**

So, you're excited to be in the classroom and you know you're off to a great start. But how can you be sure you are reaching all of your students? Each student learns differently, and [All Kinds of Minds](#) is ready to help you learn practical solutions for managing learning problems in your classroom. Toolkits, professional development courses, DVDs, books, and other [resources](#) are available to you on their Web site.

### **Professional**

International education and global awareness is becoming increasingly important in classrooms across the U.S. Through [Global TeachNet](#), educators find the [resources](#), networking, and support they need to bring a global perspective into classrooms and communities. Gain access to resources, newsletters, and [lesson plans](#) or join the Global TeachNet group to share your ideas and teaching strategies with other educators.

### **Research-Focused**

Diving into the realm of grant writing can be overwhelming. Where do you begin? Well, the folks at the University of Wisconsin and the Foundation Center have already created a [great start](#) for you: [The Grants Information Collection](#). Search for funding for education, research, or your nonprofit organization. They have recommended books and Web sites to put you on the right track to composing a strong application. Also search databases, seminars, and workshops.

### **Graduate**

You're in grad school, which means you have committed yourself to that lifelong pursuit of learning. How can you share this passion with other teachers to help ensure that they stay in the profession? Have you considered mentoring or starting a mentoring program at your university or college? [The National Foundation for the Improvement of Education](#) has created a [16-page booklet](#) to help you create a useful program.

### **General Interest**

Tired of Tweeting? Is "friending" becoming unfriendly? If so, you might try [Ning](#), an online social network that allows you to create a Web space around a particular topic, interest, group, or organization. Users retain branding and visual design freedom; can create RSS feeds, widgets, photo and video features, blogs; and have access to dozens of customizable applications. Create or join your first social network today.

If you have a resource link you'd like to share with the readers of KDP's *Resource Roundup*, we'd love to hear from you! Please send your suggestion to [NewsEditor@kdp.org](mailto:NewsEditor@kdp.org).