Using Technology to Enhance the Classroom

How PowerPoint can be used to put into practice Multiple Intelligences theory in the classroom
Gardner’s Multiple Intelligences Theory

• Suggests people have a plurality of intelligences
• People have different cognitive strengths and styles
• Different intelligences are:
  - Body/Kinesthetic, Interpersonal/Social, Intrapersonal/Introspective, Logical/Mathematical, Musical/Rhythmical, Naturalist, Verbal/Linguistic, and Visual/Spatial
Teaching Setting

• Any foreign Language classroom

• A teacher can create:
  - An interactive lesson that students can use
  - An interactive presentation
  - Allow students to create interesting presentations or lessons for other students!

• Can be used for any level of language teaching
Teacher/Student Population

• This is a step-by-step guide
  - This unit would be ideal for a first-year teacher or any teacher that is new to Multiple Intelligences (M.I.) Theory

• Best for Visual/Spatial or Verbal/Linguistic learners - but can be adapted for the other M.I. learners as well - i.e. presentation can link up to Excel spreadsheets for lessons that involve Logical/Mathematical thinking
Sample Unit: A Trip to France

• The teacher of a Level One French class at a school in Fairfax, VA just returned from a trip to France.

• She will use this experience to create a week-long unit based in PowerPoint which will satisfy the Cultural Perspectives, Practices, and Products of the Virginia Standards of Learning (SOLs):
  - Identify some historical and contemporary individuals associated with important events from francophone cultures.
  - Identify some products of francophone cultures, such as natural and manufactured items, creative and fine arts, recreation and pastimes, dwellings, language, and symbols.
  - Identify major cities and geographical features and why they are significant in francophone cultures.
Historical Sites in France
Roman Ruins in France

• Interpersonal/Interpretive Activity -
  [http://www.ancientroute.com/cities/arles.htm](http://www.ancientroute.com/cities/arles.htm),
  [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arles](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arles) - students will use these sights to discover what the city of Arles was like during the Roman Empire and to create a dialogue between two Roman citizens

• Presentational Activity -
  students will present their dialogue to the class
Products of France
Contemporary Music in France

• Objective: Students will be introduced to contemporary creative arts in France
  - Students will be introduced to a famous singer, Isabelle Boulay
  - Isabelle Boulay, il était une voix...
Regional Products

- In various parts of France, there are specialty products found only in certain regions...click on photos to learn more!
Recreational Pastimes

What are these people doing? Where are they? Click on the photos to find out!
Cities of France
Paris

• Watch videos about Paris:
  http://dest.travelocity.com/DestGuides/multimedia_video_gallery/1,3319,TRAVELocity%7C1944%7CEur,00.html

• Interactive Paris lesson site:
  http://milvetstravel.net/paris.html
Can you name these sites in Paris?
Nice

Describe what you see and hear in this photo!
Strasbourg

What is a winstub?

What holiday is a favorite time for tourists to visit? Why?

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alsace

http://www.tourisme-alsace.com/

What would it be like to live in Strasbourg?
Click on photos and website links to find out!
Limoges

Click on the photos to find out about Limoges!

La Porcelaine
Perigueux

What are these French people holding? Is this a regional product?

What are some other products of this region? Click on photos to learn more!...
Questions??

Please see Notes Pages for a How-To guide to using PowerPoint special features.