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Kia ora and welcome to the first Assessment Resource Banks newsletter from our new website at https://arbs.nzcer.org.nz.

We now have over 1400 resources published on the new site. Of these about 300 can be completed online as well as by pencil and paper.

#### What's new?

The new ARBs can now accessed via individual teacher accounts. This means that you can save your favourite resources and quickly find them for future use.

Register to set up your own account here: https://arbs.nzcer.org.nz/register

There are a number of newly developed online interactive resources: students can drag and drop, click, click and highlight, click and type, or simply type their answer. They then download or email their results. We have also significantly re-developed some existing resources to make them online interactive.

Some of the online interactive ARBs also have auto-marking - this means that the entire resource is marked by the ARBs website.

Look for the symbols: lacktriangle pencil and paper, lacktriangle online interactive and lacktriangle auto-marking.

You can also like resources by clicking the • next to the title of the resource.

We have also updated our

- ways to search for resources (search, advanced search, browse resources)
- research and articles (check out science, maths, English articles)
- concept maps (in Algebraic thinking, Basic facts, Estimation, Patterns, Fractions, and Probability)

## **Latest resources**

New online interactive resources and existing resources that have been re-developed for completing online.

## **SCIENCE**

The monarch: chrysalis to butterfly (L2)
The science of burning (L4)
A butterfly's life cycle (L4)
Using a metals key (L4)
Tectonic plates (L5)

Existing resources re-developed into online interactive:
Germinating bean seeds (L2)
Observing scientifically (L3)
Sugary drinks (L3)

Properties of metals (L4)

### **ENGLISH**

Describing dogs (L 1-2) Describing kittens (L 1-2)

Describing hot-air balloons (L 1-2)

Describing kites (L 1-2)

Describing Chinese dragons (L 1-2)

Describing butterflies (L 1-2)

Describing racing cars (L 1-2)

Existing resources re-developed into online interactive:

What is it?

What or who am I? What might it be?

What am I? Boy's Song What is this?

# **MATHS**

Level 2

Describing 2-D shapes Counting money Buying some things

Adding and subtracting more

numbers

Easy or harder subtractions

Spending at the shop Going on a picnic Colours and sides Time for school

Matching cubes and nets

Level 3

Area of shapes II Shaded fractions shapes

Pocket money Battleship grids

Missing numbers and rules

Saving money

What shape am I?

Kowhaiwhai

Collecting beads

Describing 3-D shapes

Level 4

Transforming patterns II Measuring tapa cloth Compass points Matching nets II Comparing prices

Buying some gear

Existing resources re-developed into online interactive:

Cat transformations Directions to food Looking at zero

# Coming up ...

Our plan is to bring across all the exisiting ARBs to the new site, and re-develop some resources so they can also be completed online.

Of course we're always happy to get feedback and would love to hear from you about our new site and the potential it offers for formative assessment in the classroom.

Warmest regards The ARB team arbs@nzcer.org.nz



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