



Build a Better Browser: An Overview of Firefox Themes & Extensions for Educators

Description:

Rediscover the web! Firefox is now faster, more secure, and fully customizable. Learn how themes and extensions can be used to turn your web browser into the ultimate learning machine.

Abstract:

This session will begin with a brief overview of how a web-browser works - and an introduction to the philosophy behind open source software. Firefox will then be compared and contrasted with other popular web browsers, including Internet Explorer, Safari, Opera, and Flock. Key Firefox features, such as tabbed browsing, themes, and extensions will then be demonstrated. Following this, participants will learn about the top Firefox extensions for teachers, including tools for blogging, searching the web, accessing wikipedia, and translating websites. Other tools will help teachers share bookmarks, photos, and more. Of course, participants will also learn to customize the look and feel of Firefox to suit their own personalities. Now just imagine if each student could do this... because they can.