

Virtual Manipulatives revised 6/1/2009

National Library of Virtual Manipulatives (English, Español, or Français)

<http://nlvm.usu.edu/en/nav/vlibrary.html>

This one is my favorite—the biggest and most complete. Try the equation balance

beam: nlvm.usu.edu/en/nav/frames_asid_324_g_3_t_2.html

or the virtual geoboard: nlvm.usu.edu/en/nav/frames_asid_172_g_2_t_3.html

Shodor

www.shodor.org/interactivate/activities

Try the Function Flyer, a graphing applet where you type in the function and the applet

graphs it, including sliders that allow you (or your students) to twiddle the knobs—and

change the function and its graph www.shodor.org/interactivate/activities/flyall

Parabolas in Vertex Form

www.keypress.com/sketchpad/javasketchpad/gallery/pages/parabolas.php

This one, part of the Geometer's Sketchpad online Resource Center, is a good companion to Function Flyer.

"What Are Virtual Manipulatives?"

http://my.nctm.org/eresources/view_media.asp?article_id=1902

a great introductory article by Patricia S. Moyer, et al. at but you have to be an NCTM member to read it. Another good article, viewable by anybody, is at

www.ct4me.net/math_manipulatives.htm

Select Math

<http://boston.k12.ma.us/teach/technology/select/index.html>

SELECT Math has detailed scope-and-sequences for grades 6-8, Geometry, and Algebra II, including alignments with Massachusetts state standards, links to online manipulatives, and worksheets for students to use when working with online manipulatives.

279 Math Applets

www.ies.co.jp/math/java

This is the Japanese site I was talking about. (No worries about language: these pages I'm referring to are in English.) Take a look at the 19-applet Pythagorean Theorem page:

<http://www.ies.co.jp/math/java/geo/pythagoras.html>

Arcytech

<http://arcytech.org/java>

There are a bunch of java applets, from telling time and counting money to base 10 blocks, the Pythagorean Theorem, and Pi. The pages on American money, Learning about Bills would be a good places to snag graphics.

The Freudenthal Institute

www.fi.uu.nl/fisme/en/ has an enormous selection of java applets. For primary, go to

www.fi.uu.nl/rekenweb/en/ For secondary, go to www.fi.uu.nl/wisweb/en/

"Solving Equations with balance strategy" is a good transition from the National Library of Virtual

Manipulatives one, above, to paper and pencil, and the "Geometric Algebra 2D" are a lot like

working with algebra tiles. For an animation that goes from a 2d net to a 3d object, visit

www.fi.uu.nl/toepassingen/00297/toepassing_wisweb.en.html. An overview of all the

WisWeb applets is at www.fi.uu.nl/wisweb/en/: click on Applets and pick all applets from the

menu. "Algebra Arrows" www.fi.uu.nl/toepassingen/02008/toepassing_wisweb.en.html

is a function machine you build yourself.

Pythagorean Theorem links

www.soeds.k12.or.us/files/pythagoreanlinks.doc

Here's a collection of online animations, explanations, and explorations of the Pythagorean Theorem.

Le Kangourou des Mathématiques (in French)

www.mathkang.org/swf/pythagore2.html and www.mathkang.org/swf/archimede.html

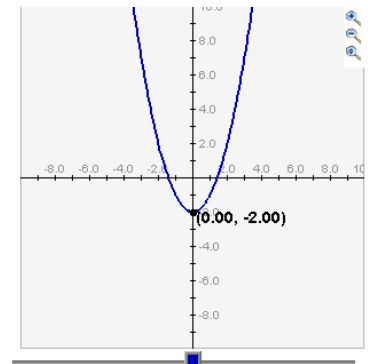
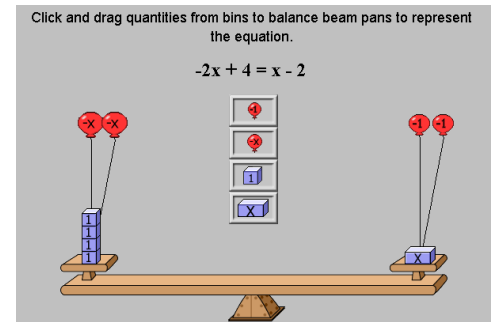
The compelling math and excellently realized animations should carry you—even if you don't know French.

Scribble Squares

www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/mentalmaths/scribblesquare.html and

www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/mentalmaths/scribbletable.html

Use the mouse to draw right on this hundreds grid or this 1-10 multiplication and show—and talk about—the patterns.



$$f(x) = 1 * x^2 + -2$$



functon flyer at shodor.org

