

Energy Kids Have a New Place to Play and Learn

Kick off the new school year with puzzles, games and fun!

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) today unveiled Energy Kids (<http://www.eia.doe.gov/kids>), its redesigned website, featuring more than 100 pages of fun educational content for kids, parents, and teachers. Both the site and its ever-popular host, Energy Ant, got a makeover during summer vacation and are ready to get back-to-school.

Kids can learn about energy and challenge their brains with energy Sudoku, crossword puzzles, and word searches. Teachers can submit energy lesson plans, share their expertise and get chosen as contributor of the month. The site also features energy-related stories, hands-on activities, and research articles for the classroom.

"We're making energy fun so young people develop an understanding of energy and its increasingly important role in our daily lives, economy, and environment," said EIA Administrator, Richard Newell. "Energy Kids can help them get started."

Energy Kids includes information and activities about energy, organized in easy-to-use sections:

- o What is Energy?
- o Sources of Energy
- o Using & Saving Energy
- o History of Energy
- o Games and Activities
- o For Teachers - be sure to sign up for Energy Kids updates via email!
- o Energy Calculators and Glossary

The site also includes new features:

- o Interesting tidbits about energy in Did You Know? boxes
- o Submit a Lesson Plan where teachers can send lessons to post and share with others
- o Energy Sliders — fun and challenging puzzles for all age groups

To learn more about Energy Kids, visit <http://www.eia.doe.gov/kids>. For a high-resolution file of the Energy Ant© logo, contact Stacy MacIntyre at 202-586-9795 or stacy.macintyre@eia.doe.gov.

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