Online resources for inquiring into inquiry
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(Note: this is just to get you started - there’s a huge world of inquiry out there!)

Teacher written blogs with a strong focus on inquiry
- http://inquiryblog.wordpress.com/ (INQUIREWITHIN – excellent global site with quality posts)
- http://whatedsaid.wordpress.com/ (Melbourne based blogger – high quality content)
- www.justwonderingblog.com (yours truly)
- http://letgotolearn.com/about/ (focus on student-led inquiry)
- http://pycaptcha.wikispaces.com/Inquiry (designed to support the IB PYP program but very useful for general inquiry)
- http://www.tashacowdy.com/ (focus on inquiry in the early years)
- http://www.maggiehosmcgrane.com/ (excellent high quality inquiry teacher)
- http://nofrillslindybuckley.blogspot.com/ (as above – grade 5 teacher)
- http://inquirymath.blogspot.com/ (teacher librarian with strong interest in inquiry)
- http://timespaceeducation.wordpress.com/ (student centred learning, innovative teachers)
- www.inquiringmind.co.nz (quality inquiry teacher’s blog)
- http://biepbl.blogspot.com/ (problem based learning)
- http://www.trycuriosity.com/ (focus on the library)
- http://www.thinkinginmind.com/category/inquiry-based-learning/ (one section of a very engaging blog)
- http://www.heidiswiwak.com/ (Canadian based, award winning inquiry teacher with good classroom examples)
- http://thestylinglibrarian.com/ (library teacher in inquiry school)
- http://feedingmyedaddiction.blogspot.com.au (Steve Box – a principal of an inquiry (PYP) school in QLD)
- http://primaryschoolmusings.wordpress.com (Mary Collins at Bandung International School – a thoughtful and comprehensive blogger on inquiry)
- https://sites.google.com/site/inquirymaths/
- http://acultureofthinking.weebly.com (GREAT) link for early years teachers
- http://wordsinbogor.blogspot.com.au (inquiring into language – spelling and word study)
  - http://stevemouldey.wordpress.com (secondary school teacher and blogger – great inquiry educator)

Blogs that focus more generally on student centred learning
- http://www.thelandscapeoflearning.com
- http://larryferlazzo.edublogs.org (incredibly prolific blogger with a focus on resources that teachers can use – so often find something useful here!)
- http://blogs.kqed.org/mindshift/
- http://willrichardson.com/
- http://lloliteracy.blogspot.com.au/ (Jennifer Jones – American reading specialist with some very useful, practical ideas)
- http://www.kleinspiration.com: prolific blogger with some lovely stuff on classroom organisation and set ups for inquiry and tech tools
- http://biancawes.wordpress.com This blogger works with year 7/8 students and is passionate and generous about her work – she is a problem based learning expert
- http://missspinkontech.global2.vic.edu.au Melbourne based blogger with great tech know how and practical examples from work with her 5/6 students
- http://langwitches.org/blog/ (strong tech focus and some great materials)

Websites with strong focus on inquiry
- http://teachinginquiry.com/index/Introduction.html (clear overview of inquiry with some nice video examples)
- http://www.bie.org/ (problem based learning institute – excellent resources)
- http://www.schoollibrarymonthly.com/index.html (Barbara Stripling’s site - she has developed quite a well known model of inquiry)
- www.thirteen.org/edonline/concept2class/inquiry (general info on inquiry)
- http://www.inquiryhub.org/ (general info on inquiry)
• www.nzcurriculum.tki.org.nz (NZ website – lots of great stuff on inquiry here)
http://big6.com/ (an information literacy framework compatible with inquiry – some useful templates)
• http://www.inquiry-based.com (teacher-curated website from Canada)
• http://www.inquiryschools.net/ (not updated since 2009 but some great video footage of inquiry in action)
• www.kathmurdoch.com.au (my own website – general information)
• http://rightquestion.org/ (focuses on questioning)
• www.inquiryschools.net (includes clips of different schools in action)
• www.galileo.org
• http://www.galileo.org/tips/inquiry.html (general inquiry information and support)
• http://pypchat.wikispaces.com/Inquiry (designed to support the IB PYP program but very useful for general inquiry)
• http://earlylife.com.au/info/ (Kathy Walker – play based learning)
• http://www.playbasedlearning.com.au/ (excellent early years resource)
• http://www.reggioaustralia.org.au/ (Australian site for Reggio Emilia – (student centred early childhood approach) similar sites around the world)
• http://www.challengebasedlearning.org/pages/welcome (Apple promoted idea that offers some useful scope for inquiry with a strong digital focus)

Websites with a student-centred learning focus

• http://www.studentsatthecenter.org/home (as the title suggests!)
• http://www.teachthought.com/category/learning/ (great resource for articles etc on contemporary learning)
• www.edutopia.com (great for project based learning and many other resources)
• www.mindsetonline.com (all about Carol Dweck’s mindset work)
• www.yoramharpaz.com (essential questions, thinking, inquiry)
• http://learningcurveplanner.com.au/home.html (very comprehensive, user friendly list of thinking tools)
• http://biepblog.blogspot.com/ (problem based learning)
• http://www.authenticeducation.org/index.lasso (Understanding by design)
• http://www.p21.org (21 C skills)
• www.newhorizons.org (for articles and links - contemporary practice)
• http://www.personalizelearning.com/ (great for voice and choice info.)
• http://www.clerestorylearning.com/ (great contemporary learning stuff!)
• http://blogs.kqed.org/mindshift/
• http://www.greatlearning.com/lfl/
• http://www.teachthought.com

ON-LINE GROUPS

• Connected Principals: community and resources for principals.
• The Educators PLN: digital discussion forum with over 9,000 educators
• Educational Leadership discussion group at Edutopia.
• edWeb.net: connect with other colleagues in education
• ASCD Edge: a professional networking community for educators
• #pypchat group on twitter (Thursday fortnightly chats)

RESOURCES TO USE WITH STUDENTS

• www.enchantedlearning.com
• http://www.thisiscolossal.com
• http://www.literacyshed.com
• www.exploratorium.edu
• www.ted.com
• http://taggalaxy.de/
• www.wonderopolis.com
• http://education.skype.com/projects/2751
• http://www.nationalgeographic.com
• http://www.101qs.com/ (for generating questions)
• http://johnjohnston.info/flickrCC/ (search via flickr for images)
• https://sites.google.com/a/gapps.uwcsea.edu.sg/researchhub/ (a site to help kids with research schools – beautiful)
• http://www.mos.org (Museum of science – loads of amazing resources)
• http://sylviashow.com (young girl’s own blog with a design and make focus – great videos!)
• http://www.meetmeatthecorner.org (lots of great short videos on a range of topics)
• https://www.smore.com/0ruh-taking-student-genius-global (global action projects)
• http://thekidshouldseethis.com (fantastic collection of videos)
• http://www.did-you-knows.com (a great compilation of intriguing facts that could spark further inquiry)
• http://learnitin5.com/_TaggedPages?tag=Lesson%20Starters Lots of videos that can be used as provocations and lesson starters
• http://kidworldcitizen.org/ (great resources for global ed)

A FEW TWEETERS TO FOLLOW
@whatedsaid
@kjinquiry (that's me! Check out those I follow – most connected to inquiry in some way)
@capitanoAmazing
@pam_thompson
@curiosityTV
@Jasimnedwyer
@ibpyp
@Saigon_Craig
@DwyerTeacher
@tashacowdy
@jennysfen
@edutopia
@LindyBuckley1
@klbeasley
@aussietonyn
@hurleyinchina
@mumbaimaggie
@sherattsam
@hurleyinchina
@tombarrett
@heidiswiak
@sugatam
@fullonlearning
@namastececi
@naturcuriosity
@gallit_z

A selection of useful books
Daniels and Harvey (2009) : Comprehension and collaboration – Inquiry circles in Action, Heinemann
Hamston, J. and Murdoch, K. 1996, Integrating Socially: units of work for social education, Eleanor Curtain, Melbourne
Katz, Lillian, Engaging Children’s Minds: the project Approach, Ablex Publishing Association
Marzano, R, et al. (2001) Classroom Instruction that Works ASCD
Little Books of Big Ideas
A useful series of very practical, accessible books is available from Curriculum Corporation, Melbourne, Australia. These books support many specific aspects of inquiry—particularly the associated skills. Some useful titles are:

- How to Succeed with Thinking (Jeni Wilson and Kath Murdoch)
- How to Succeed with learner-centred assessment (Wilson and Murdoch)
- How to Succeed with Questioning — Robyn English and Jeni Wilson
- How to Succeed with Cooperative Learning — Kath Murdoch and Jeni Wilson
- How to Succeed with Creating a Learning Community - Kath Murdoch and Jeni Wilson

Great Resources for Prep-2 play based Inquiry:
- Cadwell, L. Bringing Learning to Life. Teachers College Press
- Reggio Children: Everything has a shadow except Ants (Reggio Emilia Publishing)
- Jabion, J. The Power of Observation, Teaching Strategies
- Just Imagine
- Just Investigate
- Just Improvise
- Just Discover (All published by Tertiary press) EXCELLENT ideas for discovery centres

Curtis, Deb. Designs for Living and learning, Redleaf Press
(All these resources are available through the Lady Gowrie Centre’s online book shop):