

## Accessing Wordly Wise 3000° Online from Home

The School Specialty Literacy and Intervention family of software products are web-based. They can be accessed through your computer's web browser (e.g., Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Safari) and can be run on both Windows and Macintosh computers (see System Requirements below). In order to assist you in getting started, this document discusses some of the more common technical startup questions and concerns.

#### **System Requirements**

Components	Windows 7 Windows Vista	Windows XP	Macintosh OS 10.4 or later
CPU Minimum/ Recommended	800 MHz/2.0 GHz	800 MHz/2.0 GHz	500 MHz/800 MHz, Macintosh G4 Power PC G3, G4, or G5 processor
Memory Minimum/ Recommended	1 GB/2 GB	1 GB/2 GB	512MB/1 GB
Disk Space	Based on your browser cache setting		
Screen Resolution	1024 x 768 with 32-bit color		
Audio requirements	Sound card; Headphones recommended		
Browser software	Internet Explorer 7 or later Firefox 3.0 or later	Safari 3.0 or later Firefox 3.0 or later	Safari 3.0 or later Firefox 3.0 or later
	Adobe Flash 10 JavaScript, cookies, and pop-ups must be enabled in all browsers.		
Network	Each client computer will require a dedicated 1.5 Mbps DSL (High Speed) connection to the <i>Wordly Wise 3000 Online</i> server.		
	Bandwidth requirements: Available bandwidth between the workstation and server may impact performance. Please consider other network usage when determining available bandwidth for <i>Wordly Wise 3000 Online</i> .		

### Bandwidth

The single most important factor in ensuring a smooth start-up is your Internet connection. It is important that your connection provides a consistent bandwidth speed of 0.5 Mbps (500 Kbps) or greater. This is within the range of most Internet service providers' high-speed connection offerings. To test your current connection and make sure it is adequate, click or copy and paste <u>http://bmt.schoolspecialty.com/academy/bandwidthTest</u> into your browser's address field. Note that even if bandwidth connection is satisfactory, other factors within your household (e.g., streaming audio and video, operating system and security updates) can affect download speeds.

# **Adobe Flash Player**

In order for our programs to work properly, your web browser requires the latest version of Adobe Flash Player. It can be downloaded at <u>http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer/.</u>

# Pop-up blocking

Because the student activities play within a pop-up window, you must either disable pop-up blocking or allow an exception for the School Specialty website. See the note below on configuring pop-up blocking. Be aware that Yahoo and Google have their own pop-up blockers. Please refer to their documentation for instructions on how to configure or disable them.

#### Web content filtering software

If you are using security or web content filtering software, it is possible that some content (such as the audio files) may be blocked. As with pop-up blocking, you can either disable these filters or create an exception for the School Specialty website. Refer to the vendor's documentation for instructions.

#### Configuring pop-up blocking for use with School Specialty Literacy and Intervention products

Here are some common browsers and instructions on configuring pop-up blocking exceptions for each.

PC – INTERNET EXPLORER 7	PC – FIREFOX
1. Click on the Tools menu.	1. Click on the Tools menu.
2. Select Pop-up Blocker.	2. Select Options.
3. Select Pop-up Blocker Settings.	3. Click on the Content tab.
4. In the section marked Allowed Sites, enter the IP address, computer name,	<ol> <li>Click on the Exceptions button next to the "Block pop-up windows" checkbox.</li> </ol>
or URL of the Academy server (e.g., http://192.168.0.1, http://academyserver, or http://academy.schoolspecialty.com).	<ol> <li>In the section marked Address of web site, enter the IP address, computer name, or URL of the Academy server.</li> </ol>
5. Click Add.	6. Click Allow.
6. Click Close.	7. Click Close.
MAC – SAFARI	MAC – FIREFOX 2
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MAC – SAFARI 1. Click on the Safari menu. 2. Uncheck Block Pop-Up Windows.	MAC – FIREFOX 2 1. Click on the Firefox menu. 2. Select Preferences.
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