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Screen shots from the BP-BLTM DVDs

Languages:

- Basque
- Danish
- Dutch
- English
- Gaelic
- German
- Lithuanian
- Romanian
- Spanish

The BP-BLTM project has since October 31st 2004 been continued as a grass root project - Your input is needed!



Kent Andersen was in January 2005 invited to present the project results at a Leonardo conference in Estonia. One of those bringing home the project products was Sergio Conti, European Commission



Screen dump from the Web Page Text Blender program. The program automatically hyperlinks any word in a text to online dictionaries



A screen dump from the DOMOTICS text created with the help of the Web Page Text Blender program

The focus is now on material production. The BP-BLTM promoter, Kent Andersen is writing a program that can convert any text into an HTML document where all words are automatically linked to an online dictionary, this means that students just have to click on a word to get help.

All which is needed to convert a text is to type in a headline, then a short instruction for the end user, and finally to paste in the text in the text window followed by clicking "Create Webpage". The program is planned to be made available soon, the current versions link to online dictionaries like English-English, English-Danish, English-German, and Spanish-English. Try out the example below, the actual process of making the web pages took less than five seconds!

Domotics: A text demonstrating some advantages of Electrical Intelligent House Installations (DOMOTICS). The text is hyperlinked word by word to either ordbogen.com English-Danish or to m-w.com English-English. The text is followed by exercises created with Hot Potatoes.

Choose between the English-Danish version:
<http://www.languages.dk/online/electrician/domotics/index.htm>

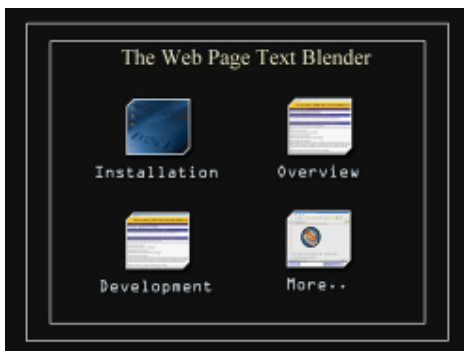
Or the English-English version
http://www.languages.dk/online/electrician/domotics/index_en.htm

Originally a Leonardo II Project - Now continued as a grass root project

Latest News: Pools a new Leonardo II project has passed the evaluation with flying colours, the project has now been recommended for funding and the final hearing at the EU commission is underway in Brussels



The collection of materials from the BP-BLTM project sent with the final report



To illustrate the possibilities in the Web Page Text Blender programme four videos have been produced on the fly, i.e. don't expect anything near professional quality! To play back the videos you need Windows Media Player v. 8 or better:

The four instruction videos can be downloaded from www.languages.dk/methods



Please join us. If you run a language project then let's cluster our efforts, mail ka@ots.dk for information

The final reports from the BP-BLTM project has been evaluated by the Danish national Leonardo Agency and an independent academic expert. The evaluation resulted in an 8 (out of 10 possible). We received much praise for the results and dissemination of the products, but also some criticism for the quality of the videos this will help us improve our results in future.

Built on a Dutch idea (Frans van Schaik) we have completed a simulation titled: "A Location for Best Practice Machine Tools plc"

The students have to decide on a suitable location for a new machine tools factory, they are supplied with four options and have to compare taxes, infrastructure, available employees etc Download the simulation from www.languages.dk/methods



The now extended BP-BLTM team has set course towards a new project titled Pools

Pools, our new project, will build on results from the BP-BLTM project as well as results from other ICT and LA projects, we will seek to cluster with these projects to ensure exchange of expertise and results and achieve broader impacts through joint dissemination.

The Pools project like the BP-BLTM project has planned a lot of outcomes and end products. Among these are:

1. Pools of online copyleft materials to be used during in-service teacher training courses and in teaching.
2. Flexible competence based language teacher course modules on ICT methodologies and development of ICT based teaching resources. The modules will be developed for in-service, distance, and blended courses
3. A DVD with step by step instructions and examples on how to create multimedia online material.
4. A course book (downloadable .pdf file) with description of language teaching eLearning materials and methodologies
5. A website, which will serve as portal to clustering projects and other ICT and LA projects. The site will contain all of the project materials, videos, discussion area and e-mail lists.



The BP-BLTM team ready for new adventures