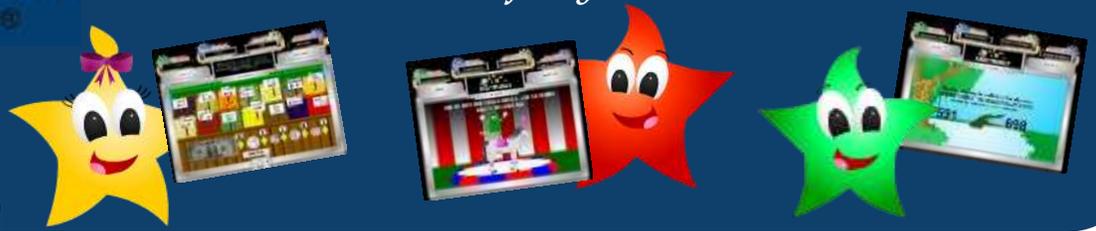


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## *StarrMatica Magazine*

You may have noticed that there was no April issue of our monthly newsletter. We spent the month of April putting together a valuable resource and reference for you as you grow in your use of digital content.

Your complimentary issue of *Digital Content and the Core* has arrived! Articles in the magazine include:

- 5 Common Core Instructional Shifts to Master
- Bloom's Taxonomy for a Digital Age
- Digital Content for STEM
- The #1 Reason to Give Students Screen Time
- 12 Must Ask Questions Before Investing in Digital Content and much more..

You can access the online magazine by clicking the link below or copying and pasting it into your browser.

[www.starrmatica.com/coremagazine](http://www.starrmatica.com/coremagazine)

And for our Iowa members, here is the Iowa Core version:

[www.starrmatica.com/iowamagazine](http://www.starrmatica.com/iowamagazine)

And for our Virginia members, here is the SOL version:

[www.starrmatica.com/solmagazine](http://www.starrmatica.com/solmagazine)

## *New This Month*

This month, we added new Social Studies content: *Ancient Civilizations*. To access these resources, login to your teacher account and choose the search button, or choose the links tab in your classroom management account. Under the topics search, choose Social Studies as your subject and Ancient Civilizations as your topic. **We are adding new content all summer, so please email or call if you have content requests you'd like to see on StarrMatica in the fall!**

# Summer Backpacks

Do you have individual student accounts? If so, why not use our student backpack feature to share content that will keep your students' minds sharp over the summer. From your teacher account, create collections for June, July, and August and share them with your current students. Or coordinate with the teacher of your incoming class to use her account to share collections with your new students. Directions for creating and sharing collections are found on [pages 16-19 of our classroom management membership guide](#).



## Summer Continuing Education



You may be starting summer vacation, but at StarrMatica we never take a break from helping you use digital content in your classroom. This summer join us for one of our popular weekly webinars to learn how to use StarrMatica's content in even more ways in your classroom.

- *Manipulative Mania: Using Virtual Manipulatives in Math*
- *Interactive Integration Ideas: Ways to Integrate StarrMatica into Your Classroom*
- *Bloom's Taxonomy for a Digital Age*

Do you have individual student accounts but haven't had time to dive in and learn everything our Classroom Management System has to offer? Become a pro this summer by taking one of our Classroom Management classes:

- *Digital Backpacks: How to Share Content with Your Students and Colleagues*
- *Links Search: How to Narrow Your Search, Mark Favorites, and Find Content Guides*

Each webinar is 20-30 minutes and is the perfect opportunity for you to ask questions and receive personal attention. Enjoy your short break, and please know that we are here to help when you need us!

[View class descriptions, check scheduled times, and register HERE.](#)

Classes are scheduled two weeks in advance, so check back throughout the summer for new class times! **Don't see a time that fits in your schedule? Email or call to schedule a personal pd session (free of charge!) at a time that works best for you!** ([info@starrmatica.com](mailto:info@starrmatica.com) 563-219-2111)