

Promethean Tips and Tricks - Using the Desktop Overlay

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This is the main toolbar in ActivInspire. To activate the Desktop Overlay, click on this button.

This will place a transparency over the desktop of your computer. It will allow you to annotate over the live desktop.

This means you can work with:

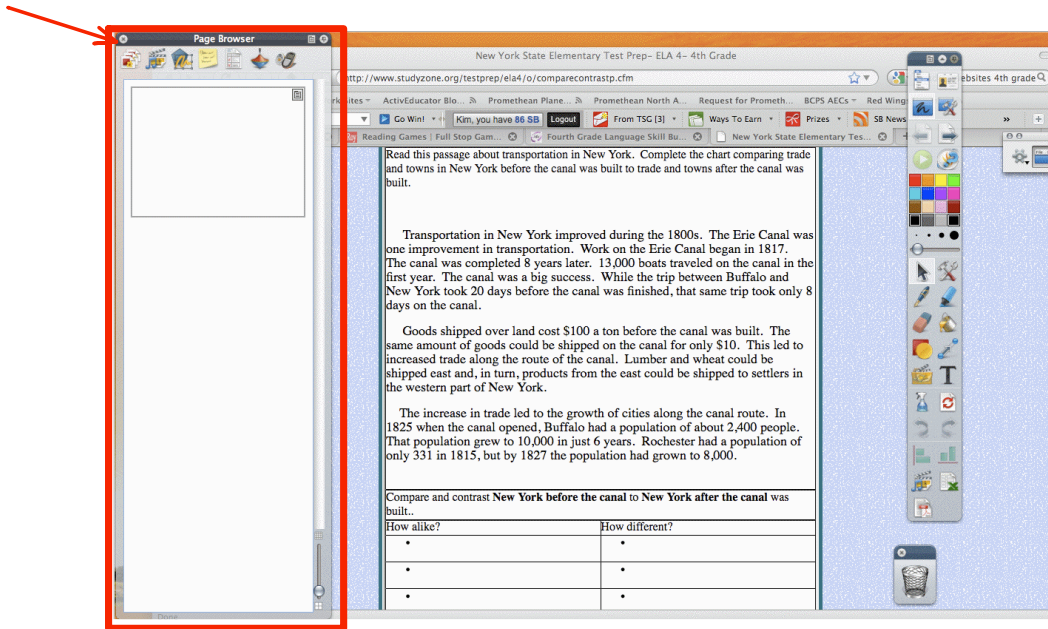
- Websites
- Word Documents
- PDFs
- Any application you have open on your computer, with the exception of PowerPoint on the Mac

Click on the same button to flip back and forth between your desktop and a flipchart.

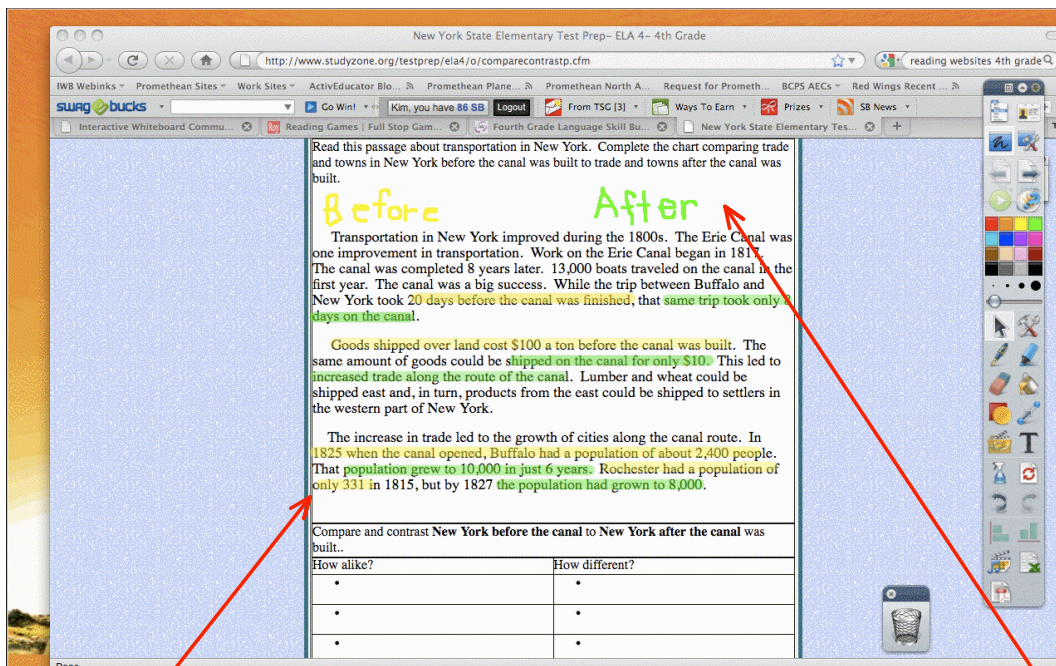
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Once you have turned on the Desktop Overlay, your flipchart will disappear. You may still see your Browser Window on the side. Click the "x" to close it.



Below is an example of using the Desktop Overlay with a website.



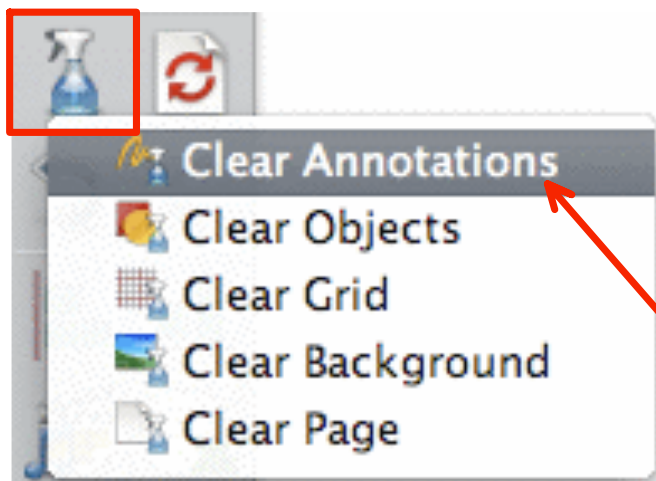
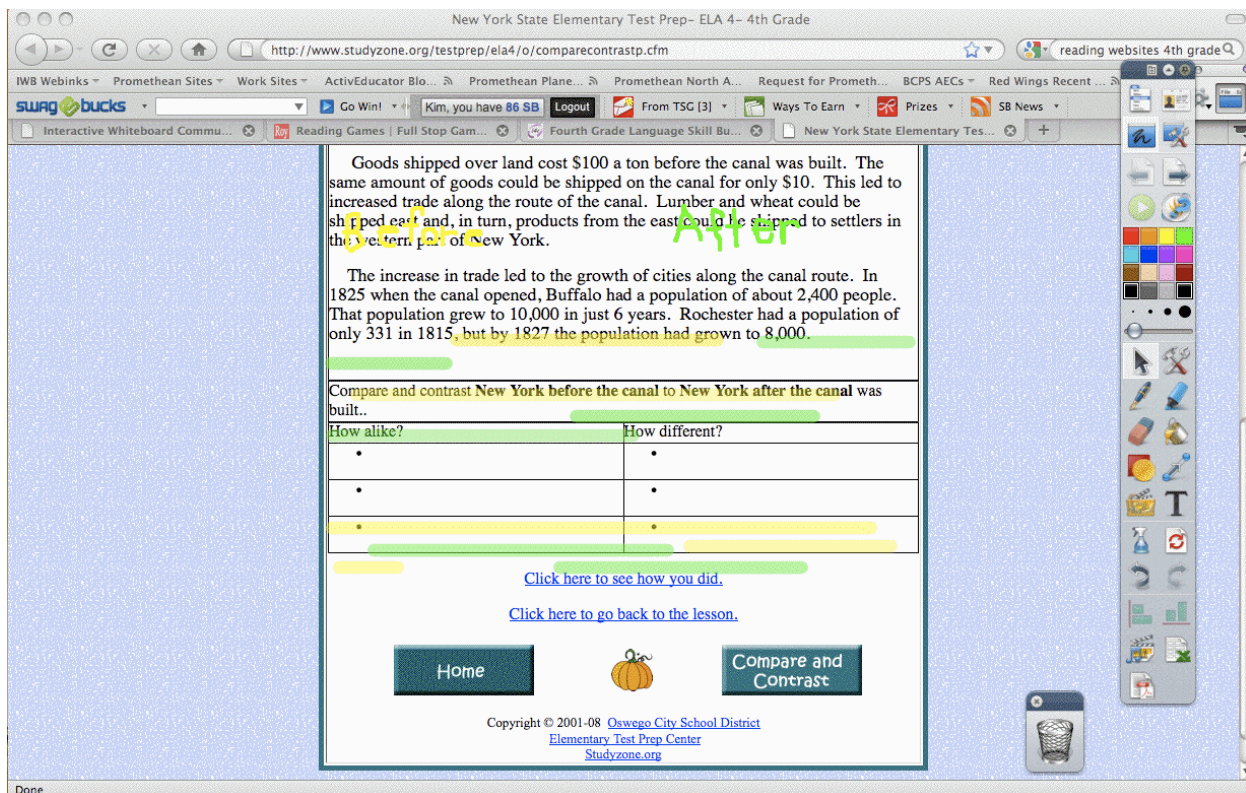
Annotations made over the website with the ActivInspire pen and highlighter.

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When using the Desktop Overlay, you will need to clear annotations as you move from one page to another, or as you scroll up/down or left/right within a document.

In the example below, we scrolled down on the page, but the annotations stayed in the same spot on the screen.



The easiest way to clear annotations is to click on the spray bottle and select Clear Annotations.