WATERSIDING MODULES
without tears

Using XERTE toolkits to enhance online content by Denise Creisson

e-tivities using Xerte have presented an opportunity to have meaningful learning activities introduced to students prior to practical sessions instead of holding a lecture where students perhaps receive the information more passively.

To book a place on a Xerte e-learning software training course contact Anne Misselbrook on email: anne.misselbrook@northampton.ac.uk

Pedagogical Benefits

Provides range of interactive page types so tutors can be creative with the presentation of material

Can incorporate informal self-assessment that does not require marking

Provides enormous flexibility as can embed audio, images, multi-media and webpages for enriched learning

Xertes can be linked to your existing resources

Learning objects, table of contents and navigation buttons can be incorporated so students can easily pick different routes through the resources

Can use RSS feeds from Xerte toolkits to get students to subscribe and get alerts when new resources are available

Tutors can collaborate on learning objects, easily adapting one another's Xertes to suit different students or modules

Has accessibility and inclusion benefits as Xerte toolkits have been designed with disabled learners in mind
(source: xerte.org)

GENERAL E-LEARNING BENEFITS

Limited IT skills required to create rich interactive web resources for your students

Supports students by giving them any time/anyplace access to resources

And being web-based means all students have the same access, so no chance of missed sessions