C3 Teacher Hubs
http://www.c3teachers.org/c3-hubs/

What is a hub?
A hub is a gathering of educators who share an interest in C3 Framework, inquiry, and who are working together through their school, school system, or some other educational organization.

What activities are common in a hub?
Members of C3 Teacher Hubs design instructional materials, share information about their experiences teaching with inquiry through conversations, team planning, and blogging, and engage in professional development.

What does a hub look like?
C3 Teacher Hubs are online, but the real work happens in the classrooms, schools, organizations, and other places where teachers work and live. Our effort at C3 Teachers is to facilitate that work by providing an online environment to extend and share the work of our hubs.

How can a hub share their work on C3teachers.org?
We have three outlets for C3 Teacher Hubs to share their work. Our C3 Teacher Blogs (http://www.c3teachers.org/blog/) provides an opportunity to post about experiences of using the C3 and inquiry in the classroom. On our C3 Teacher Hub webpage we can upload and share professional development materials. Perhaps most importantly, we support C3 Teacher Hubs in designing and sharing the inquiries. Developing C3 inspired inquiries is at the core of our C3 Teachers’ work and is supported through our featured inquiry clearinghouse (http://www.c3teachers.org/inquiries/), on C3 Teacher Hub webpages, and through the IDM Generator (http://c3teachers.org/generator).

How does the IDM Generator work?
The IDM Generator (http://c3teachers.org/generator) is an online platform for teachers to develop interactive inquiries. When working inside the IDM Generator, teachers in a hub can develop an inquiry, share that inquiry with others, and provide their students with an online space to complete the inquiry. The default mode for all new inquiries created in the IDM Generator is for the inquiry to be private. If your inquiry is private, it is not available in the IDM Generator search engine for others to see and use. If you would like to share your inquiry and make it public, we can do that. We’re on the lookout for high quality inquiries to share in the Generator.

How do C3 teachers facilitate the work of a hub?
We provide an online space for educators to share inquires, professional development materials, and blog posts. C3 Teachers also connects hubs to one another through the sharing of resources as well as virtual and face-to-face meetings including our annual National Conference for the Social Studies C3 Foundry clinic (http://www.c3teachers.org/the-c3-foundry-2-0/) and our annual IDM Institute (http://www.c3teachers.org/institute/), in addition to occasional webinars.

What is the design of a hub on C3teachers.org?
Each C3 Teacher Hub has its own web presence on http://C3teachers.org. Our web design makes use of images and text to communicate the work hubs would like to share. When you are ready to start your own hub we will work with you to design your own C3 Teachers web page. You can check out our current C3 Teacher Hubs at http://www.c3teachers.org/c3-hubs/. If you’re interested in creating a Hub, let us know at info@c3teachers.org