

Information Architecture Brief

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Client: American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence

Project: Teacher Resources Brochure Site. Initial site is information-only, but must be highly adaptable for later integration with an eCommerce site launching in mid-2008.

Outcome: This Information Architecture brief was approved by the American Board in February 2008 and the site will be constructed pending complete subject matter expert approval of all teacher resources slated for the site.

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Goal Setting

Project Goals

The Teacher's Edge is an eCommerce portal site with two aims:

- 1. Increase sales of ABCTE-developed professional development materials
- 2. Build ABCTE's reputation as an education organization

The audience for this site includes current teachers, schools, school districts and states as potential buyers of single and bulk unit products. Additionally, ABCTE intends to use the site to engage potential Passport to Teaching and Distinguished Teacher target states.

The initial function of the site focuses on product pages that link back to the eCommerce system at www.abcte.org and help non-certificants purchase products. Eventually, The Teacher's Edge will host a variety of resources and tools, including:

- State-approved professional development for relicensure
- Free Resources hosted on The Teacher's Edge
- Resource Uploads/Storage for teachers
- Forums for teachers
- Teacher profiles and network building

This Information Architecture Brief outlines the foundation for The Teacher's Edge and serves as a starting point for the first version of the site.



Target Personas



Margaret Chang

Margaret Chang is a 37-year-old General Science teacher in St. Augustine, Florida. She is looking for professional development resources so that she can fulfill the study hours needed toward extending her teaching certificate for another five years. Margaret uses email for personal and workplace correspondence, but she does not spend a lot of time on the Internet.

"I spend a lot of time grading work, preparing assignments and getting my students ready for the 11th grade Science FCAT. I don't have time to go to workshops on the weekends."



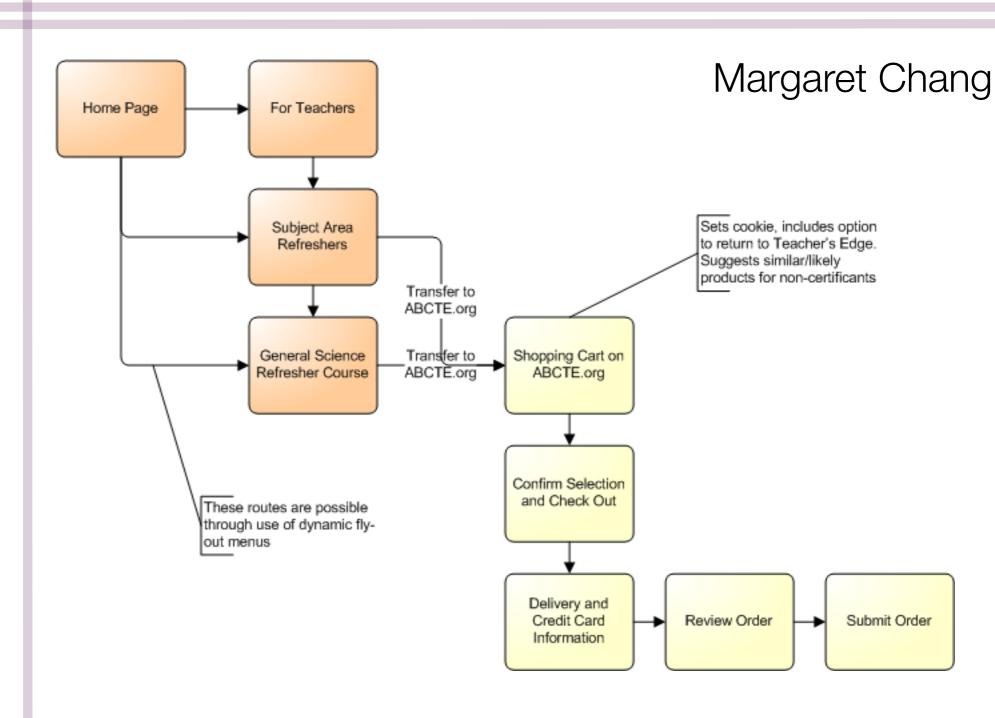
Steven Battelle

Stephen Battelle is the Professional Development Coordinator for Alaska's Chugach School District. The elementary schools in his district do not have full-time literacy coordinators, so Stephen is searching for research-based reading instruction tools for teachers working with struggling students.

"I need an affordable way to make sure that the teachers in my schools are practicing research-based reading instruction."

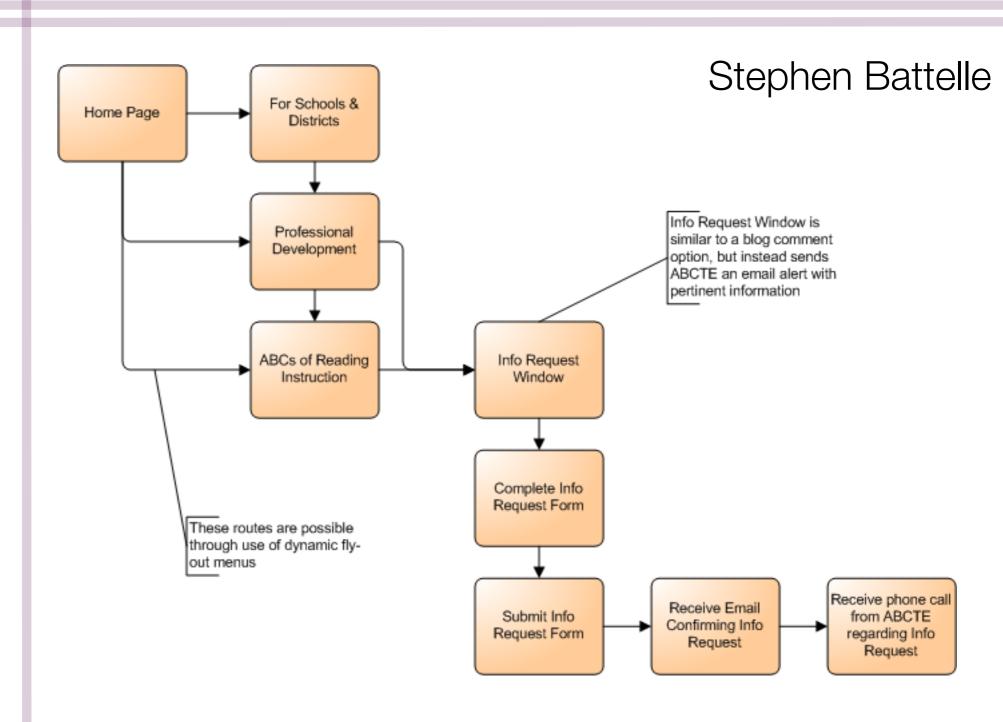


User Scenario





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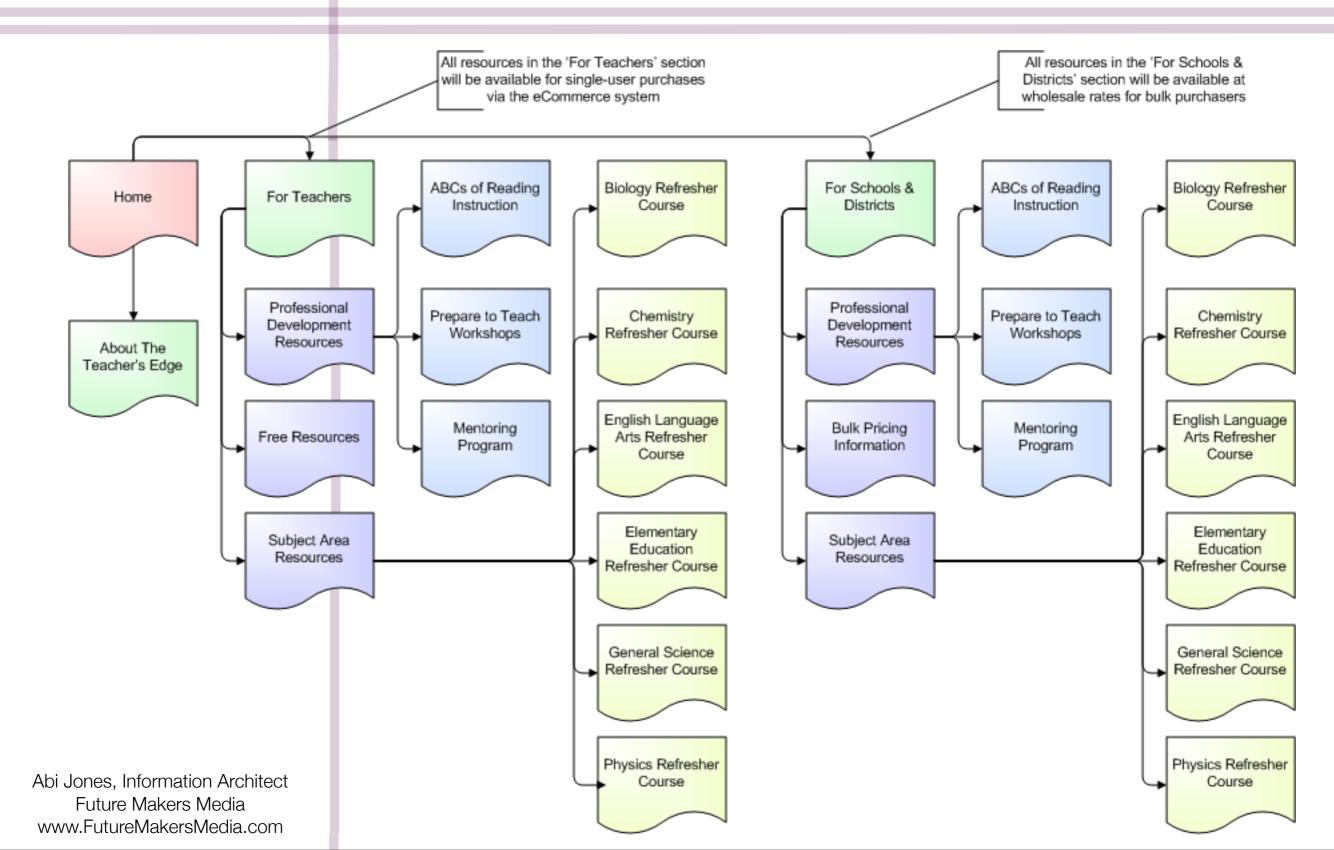


Content Hierarchy

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Home			
	For Teachers		
		Teaching Practice Resources	
			ABCs of Reading Instruction CD / Workbook
			Mentoring Program
			Prepare to Teach Workshops
		Subject Matter Resources	
			Biology Refresher Course
			Chemistry Refresher Course
			ELA Refresher Course
			General Science Refresher Course
			Mathematics Refresher Course
			*Multiple Subject Exam Refresher Course
			Physics Refresher Course
		Free Resources/Links	
	For Schools and Districts		
		Teaching Practice Resources	
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		Bulk Pricing Information	
	About The Teacher's Edge		

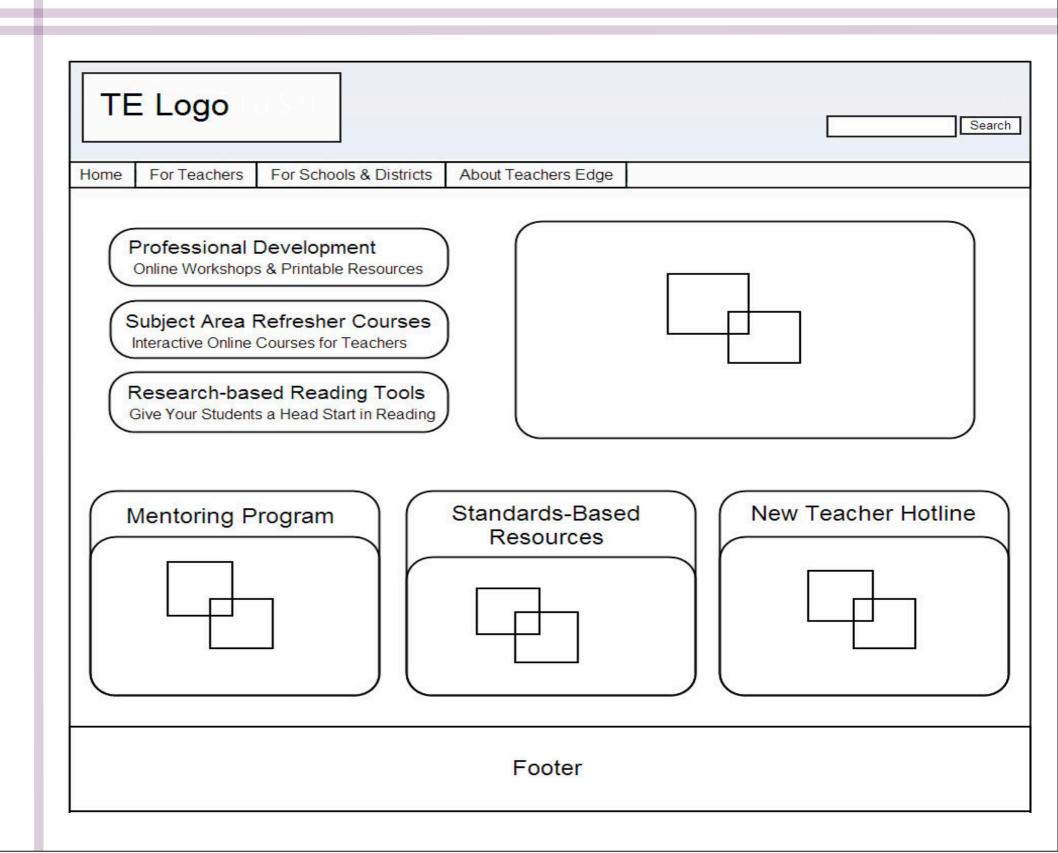


Sitemap



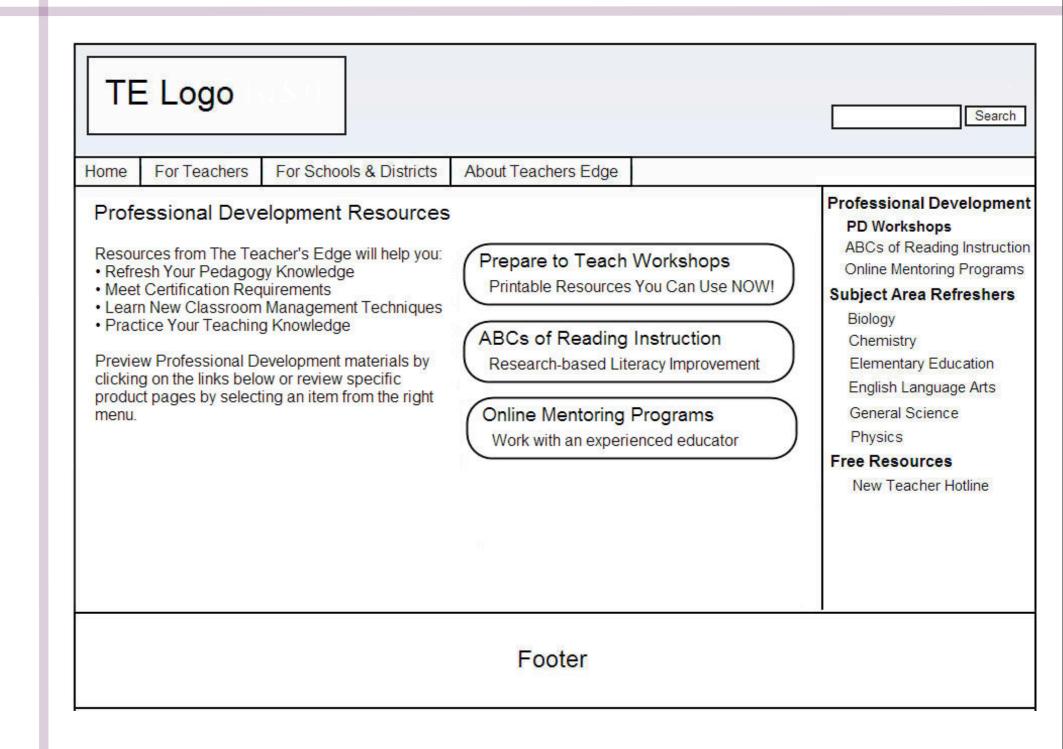


Wireframe - Top Level



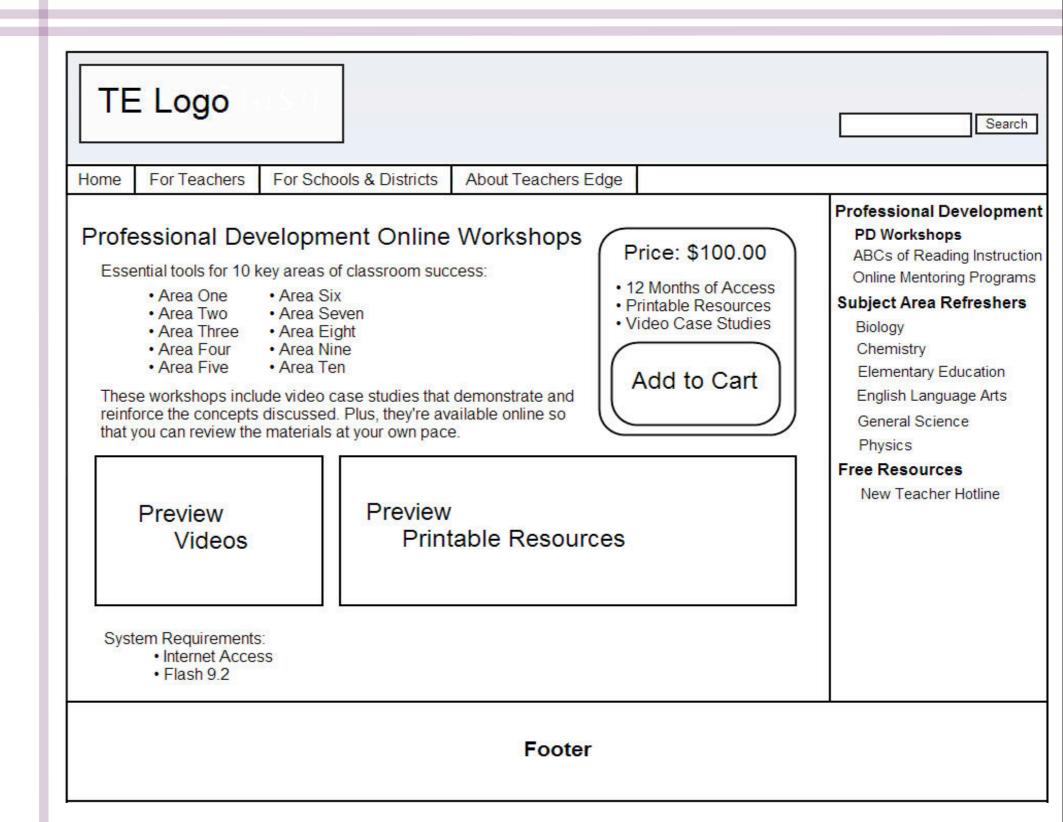


Wireframe - Teacher Main Page



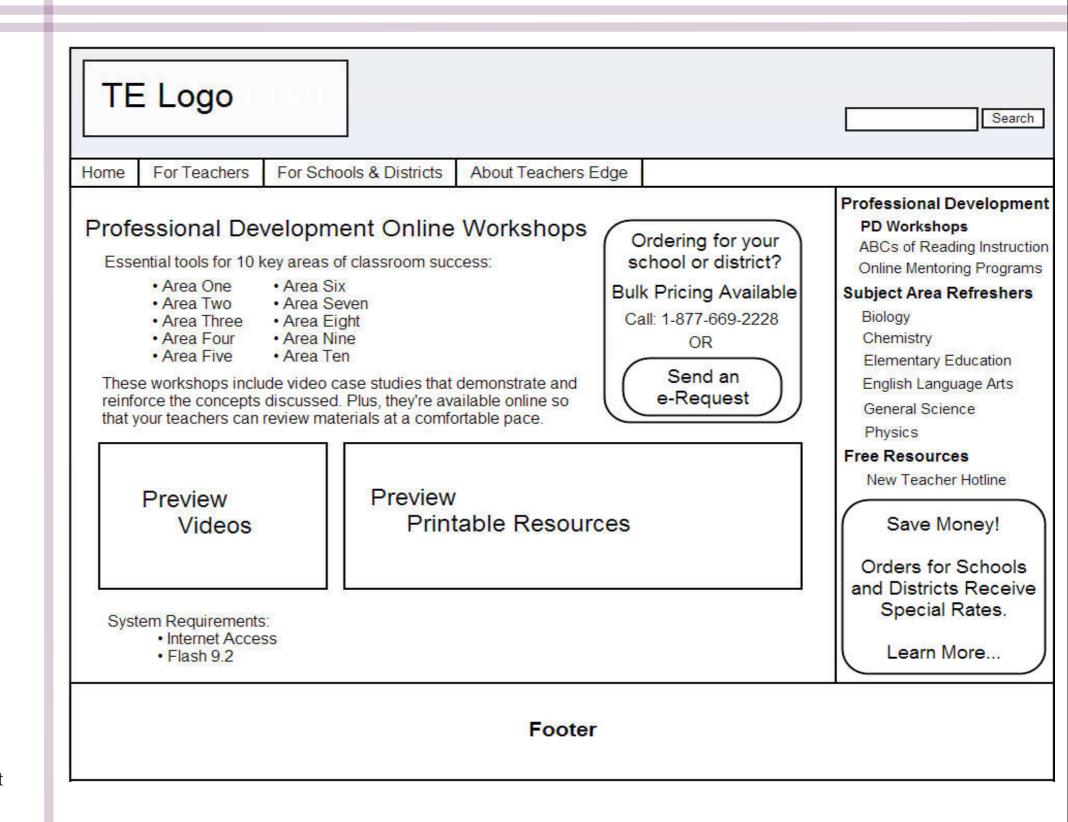


Wireframe - Teacher Product Page





Wireframe - Admin Product Page





Flyout Menu Illustration

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			Elementary Education	
			English Language Arts	
			General Science	
			Mathematics	
			Physics	