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Using Virtual Tours
for Hybrid and Online Learning

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Virtual Tours

- **Exploring Sample Tours**
  - Websites, panoramas, Google Earth
- **Creating Virtual Tours**
  - Screenshots, screen capture
  - Adding hotspots, captions, voiceover narration
- **Directed Interactive Tours**

Live, Interactive Virtual Tours

- Louvre Museum, Paris
http://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne
- The Vatican, Rome
http://www.vatican.va/various/basiliche/san_pietro/vr_tour/index-en.html
- Dunhuang site en.dha.ac.cn
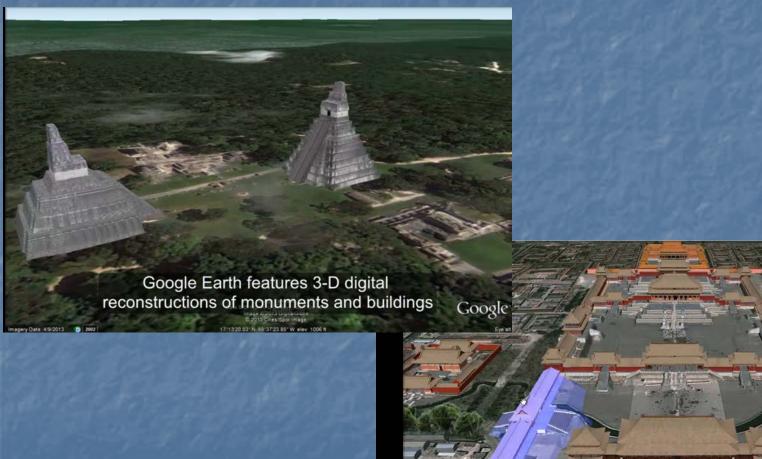- 360 cities www.360cities.net
- Airpano www.airpano.com

Using Virtual Tours

- 1) Provide instructions that will talk them through what you want them to see, OR...

- 2) Include a summative activity like a quiz afterward.

- 3) Design "treasure hunt" or competition activities for students to complete as part of the tour.

- 4) Create feedback to Canvas (credit or grade)

Creating Virtual Tours

- Screenshot (PC: Function/print screen, Mac: command/shift/3)
  - add hotspots

- Screen capture (Camtasia, VLC Media)
  - Edit video (Camtasia, iMovie, Adobe Premiere)
  - Add subtitles, voiceover narration, or hotspots

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At any site, click on highlighted areas for a description and photos

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