Background material on vectors

The following web sites provide some additional introductory information about vectors.

http://id.mind.net/~zona/mstm/physics/mechanics/vectors/introduction/introductionVectors.html

Very general material at the level of a high school physics course, without giving too much information on the uses of vectors in physics.

http://members.tripod.com/~Paul_Kirby/vector/VLintro.html

Discusses 3 – dimensional vectors and includes pictures illustrating the length formula in this case.

http://www.tech.plym.ac.uk/maths/resources/PDFLaTeX/vectors.pdf

This is a slide presentation like a PowerPoint file, and it goes a bit further into the mathematical theory of vectors and includes some quizzes to test the reader's understanding.

http://www.nhn.ou.edu/~walkup/demonstrations/WebTutorials/VectorIntroduction.htm

This is an interactive site with some motivation for the use of vectors.

A YouTube video on vectors

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xJBGfPfE4fQ

This goes much further than other introductory videos, but the sound and animation might be helpful.