

Your Audience Participation Required!



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Agenda

- Why Use Audience Response Tools (Abstract)?
- What are the Benefits?
- What is Out There?
- Let's Give it a Try!

Abstract

- Audience response systems use programs designed to increase student interaction, collect assessment data, provide each user with immediate feedback, and generate higher ordered thinking and discussions. Audience response systems such as handheld clicker systems are now being supplemented by web-based response systems. Web-based tools such as Kahoot.it, Poll Everywhere, Tricider, Today's Meet and Plickers are a few tools that will be explored.

Benefits

- Improves attentiveness.
- Increased knowledge retention
- Allows for anonymity
- Provide tracking for data collection
- Allows confirmation of subject understanding
- Creates an interactive and fun learning environment

Informal Assessment

- “Informal assessments are not data-driven but rather content and performance driven”. (Weaver, 2007)
- Informal assessments also aim to pinpoint the strengths and weaknesses of students as individuals regardless of age or grade level standards


Weaver, B. (2007). Formal vs. Informal Assessments | Scholastic.com. *Scholastic Teachers*. Retrieved May 30, 2014, from <http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/article/formal-versus-informal-assessments>

Tools for Informal Assessment

• Kahoot.it	• Wallwisher
• Socrative	• Shakespeak
• Infused Learning	• Poll Everywhere
• Tricider	• Top Hat Monocle
• Today’s Meet	• SMS Poll
• Plickers	
• NearPod	


Kahoot.it

- URL
 - <https://getkahoot.com/>
- It is Free!
- Let's give it a try!
 - Get your digital device ready
 - Here we go!




NearPod

- URL
 - <http://www.nearpod.com/>
- It is Free
- It has an app
- Let's give it a try!
 - Get your digital device ready
 - Here we go!



Plickers

- URL-
 - <https://www.plickers.com/>
- It has an app
- Let's give it a try!
 - Here we go!





Socrative

- URL
 - <http://www.socrative.com/>
- It has an app.
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Top Hat

- URL-
 - <https://tophat.com/>
- It has an app
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Shakespeak

- URL-
 - <http://www.shakespeak.com/>
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Poll Everywhere

- URL
 - <http://www.poll everywhere.com/>
- It has an app
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SMSPoll

- URL-
 - <http://www.smspoll.net/>
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Infuse Learning

- URL
 - <http://www.infuselearning.com/>
- Key Feature
 - Free to Sign Up!
 - Works on iPads and Android Tablets



ClickerSchool

- URL-
 - <https://www.clickerschool.com/>
- Key Features
 - Free for 40 Days
 - Use any device
 - Database of Questions



Back Channels


- A [backchannel](#) -- a digital conversation that runs concurrently with a face-to-face activity -- provides students with an outlet to engage in conversation (Holland, 2014)

Ways to Use Backchannels in Your Classroom

- Poll students on a particular classroom event or on a decision regarding their learning
- Brainstorm ideas
- Encourage students to ask questions about anything they did not understand.
- Assess students prior knowledge about a given topic

Today's Meet

- URL-
 - <https://todaysmeet.com/>
- Let's give it a try!
 - Get your digital device ready
 - Here we go!



Tricider

- URL-
 - <http://www.tricider.com/>
- Let's give it a try!
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 - Here we go!



Padlet

- URL-
 - <http://padlet.com/>
- Let's give it a try!
 - Get your digital device ready
 - Here we go!
- Example-
 - <http://padlet.com/rhahn/hahncuriosity>



Questions and Comments



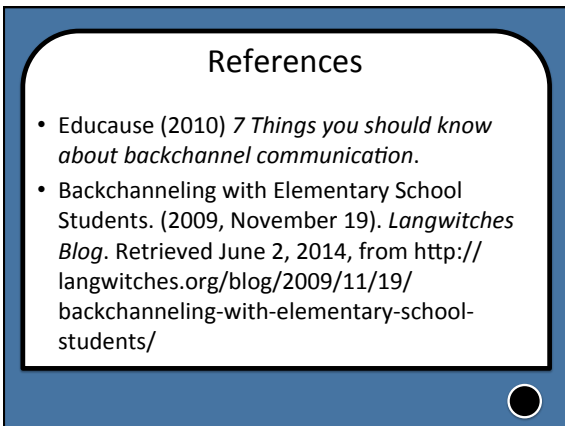
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