

1. **Grade Level:** Kindergarten
2. **Curriculum Topic:** Language Arts/ Purposes of Texts
3. **Tools:** For this lesson, the teacher will need access to Padlet online and a Smart Board for display purposes. Students will need access to Padlet and a device at home that will allow them to access Padlet. Accommodations can be made for students who do not have internet access at home.
4. **Synopsis-** This project is intended for the beginning of the school year. It is an “All About Me!” project that allows for students to share about themselves and become comfortable with one another. While the main purpose is to get to know your students, I will also be addressing the different purposes of text to students as that is a topic addressed in the Arkansas State Standards for Language Arts and Literacy. To begin the lesson, I will use the Smart Board to display my personal Padlet Board. The Padlet Board will include personal information about myself that I wish to share with my students. For example, my favorite color, favorite food, family picture, etc. Next, I will tell the students that I want to know all about them! I will assign a homework project that ask students to create their very own Padlet board titled “All About Me!”. I will inform the students that once the boards are complete, each student will have the chance to share with the classroom. Since this is a kindergarten level, parent involvement is a must. Students will have understanding of accessing Padlet, but may need help in creating. I will provide an instruction sheet that will direct parent in helping their child. This instruction sheet will include how to access Padlet, how to create a board, and suggested topics to use on their

board. This may include favorite color, favorite food, favorite toy, favorite activity, etc. Due to the parent involvement element of this lesson, I will assign the homework at the beginning of the week and the assignments will not be due until Friday in order to give parents time to help their child. On Friday, I will use the Smart Board to display each students Padlet board and allow them to share with the class. Once every student has shared their board, I will then ask them why they think I had them complete the projects. I will use students answers to build on the second portion of the lesson, which would be the different purposes of text. I will explain that this particular project used text to tell about a particular person, but text can be used for all kinds of things. Text can be informative, explanatory, etc. We use text in all sorts of places to understand others. This lesson will open many doors for lessons on concepts of print. Below is a QR code that will take you directly to my example board. This QR code will also be provided for students and parents on the instructions sheet.



