

Chesney Dennis
Mini Lesson- Integrating Technology

What Do You Think Of?

Grade: 2nd

Class and Topic: English Language Arts- Creative writing

Tools: Specdrums

Synopsis: Before the students arrive to class, I would create a Specdrums tune with the Specdrums Mix App. The tune will be a simple tune that can be created very quickly. Upon arrival I would ask the students to take out their writing journals and get ready to write an entry. Once everyone is ready, I would play the tune I created and ask the students to write a quick story/memory that reminds them of the tune they hear. This can just be a list, a full story, or some random words on a page. Once the students are done, they will be asked if they would like to share their story and see how the students stories compare. The class will then discuss why the tune made some stories similar. This activity is great for creative thinking and using technology to enhance a lesson.