On-Line Tools

1. Kahoot

https://kahoot.it/

This tool is a fun interactive way for the children to take a quiz. It allows you to customize the questions, add you own answers, music and pictures. You can create a free account and making a quiz is a breeze! Kids love this program because they see it as a fun game, but it lets us (the teacher) know how well they know the subject.

I would use this tool in my classroom to see how much my kids knew about a subject before I taught it or for a review. I could even let the kids create one and let them quiz the class and me. This tool makes taking a "quiz" fun and I could even have rewards for the top 3 players!

Try my Kahoot! on World Religions!

https://play.kahoot.it/#/k/aed7f604-bf30-4e3e-8cc8-04194aeaa645

2. Wordle

http://www.wordle.net/

This tool is used for making word clouds. When you go to the website you can start typing words.

After you have added the words you want to be in your cloud you can personalize the colors, font, and direction of the words. This tool makes making word clouds fun and gives the children a sense of independence because they won't all be the same.

I would use this tool for making word clouds in the classroom. The first idea that popped in my mind was an about me assignment, where the students have words that they would use to describe

themselves with. Another thing this tool could be used for is words that pertain to a holiday, famous person or even historical event!



3. Class Dojo

https://www.classdojo.com/

This tool keeps the classroom teacher connected with the students and their parents. The teacher creates a classroom and adds her/his students. Each student can create their own little "monster" and they have their own portfolio that they can upload pictures, projects, and videos to. Using this tool, the teacher can take role, give "points" for good actions, generate random groups, provide directions, have background music, monitor noise, select students at random, classroom timer, and can share classroom moments with parents!

I would most definitely use this tool in my classroom because it has so many options. I would love to use this to keep in touch with the parents and share classroom moments! I also love the feature that allows you to give "points" to students for doing well on an assignment or being kind to another student. I would use the group generator for group projects and the student selector for when we read aloud. The noise generator would come in handy for when the class was reading or was supposed to be

doing quiet work. The background music would be nice to have for when the students were working in groups, doing an activity or even a brain break!