

Padlet & Kahoot
Mini-Lesson Idea #2
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1. Grade level/Audience:

I would use this technology in a 1st grade classroom, as a lesson where students have their own individual discovery learning experience via a Padlet pre-designed by me, filled with lots of content, and then the whole class comes together to reinforce & assess the content using a Kahoot.

2. Curriculum topic:

I would use this technology in a science unit on the various animal habitats and characteristics.

3. Tools:

I would use my pre-prepared Padlet first and let every student access it individually on their Chromebooks or iPads, and then after a little bit of time, I would let the students come back together as a whole class to use Kahoot.

4. Synopsis of what you are doing including how you are using the tools:

I will begin the mini-lesson by explaining to students that there is a whole wide world of animals and their different habitats—homes—and characteristics—what makes them, them—and today, we are going to learn about those! I will explain to students that today, instead of me teaching and talking at them, they are going to teach themselves. I will tell students to grab their Chromebooks/iPads (whichever we have in my classroom, or a combination of the two) and access Padlet. I will put the QR code to my pre-prepared Padlet on the SmartBoard for students to scan, and then I will let them get to exploring! On this Padlet, I will have packed on content such as: zoo websites with animal cams, interactive educational games featuring certain animal habitats or types of animals, videos on habitats, clips from TV shows such as Bindi's Bootcamp, and kids' informational websites. Students will have a plethora of material to explore. I will monitor the room while students do this to make sure they stay on track. Then, after a set amount of time, I will call all the students back together, and we will play a Kahoot based on the

basics of the information contained in the Padlet. This will help me formatively assess students (I will continue to teach more on this unit later on in the week), and it will help reinforce the information with students.