

Online Tools

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Kahoot

URL: <https://kahoot.com/>

Kahoot is an online tool that allows teachers to give students an informal quiz. It can be used for games or for assessment. Teachers can choose the questions and students get to answer them on their own device by choosing one of the four answers. The students choose a username that will pop up after everyone submit their answers. The screen will show which student submitted the correct answer the fastest and each student can earn points. This site can be used for all ages and all subjects, which makes it a great tool for the classroom.

I would use Kahoot in the classroom for the majority of my lessons because it is an easy and fun informal assessment. For example, if we are doing a math lesson (addition/subtraction) I can put math problems as the questions and have students answer them using their device. Same for an English lesson. I can put questions such as “Which word rhymes with cat?” and have the students choose the correct word. This site would also be good for a test review before any test that we make take in class.

GoNoodle

URL: <https://www.gonoodle.com/>

GoNoodle is a great website and tool, because not only does it incorporate learning, but it does it in such a fun way. Students are able to get and dance and go crazy while learning concepts at the same time. It is directed towards younger students and is free to all teachers. There is even a new GoNoodle Plus version that allows teachers to incorporate actual lessons into the videos.

I would use GoNoodle as a brain break for students. When we’ve been working for long periods at a time and they just need to get up for a minute and stretch, this is a great site to use. Also, with the new Plus version, I could use the quiz videos for informal assessments. They have all subjects including math and vocabulary.

Biblionasium

URL: <https://www.biblionasium.com/#tab/content-popular-series>

This online tool is like an online library or place where students can document books they have read or enjoyed. Students can see their own school’s library book availability on the website, document books they finished reading, books they wish to read and more. Teachers can also collaborate with other teachers and parents safely on this site.

I would use this in my classroom because it is a great resource for students to find books they may enjoy. Their reading time can also be logged so students can keep up with what they have been reading and for how long. Students could use this site to do their reading logs every week for my class. I can also require students to select 3 or more books they wish to read this year.