

Engaging students: Interactive Grammar & Vocabulary Activities

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5-minute
break



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Important

Demonstrations

I only demonstrate a program and some features without teaching how to create them.



Interactive

Polls etc. Participation is optional.



Live demonstrations

I will demonstrate how to create something in real time.



Practice

You have access to the same slides practice files. You can work along with me (optional).



No troubleshooting

We can't troubleshoot for you.



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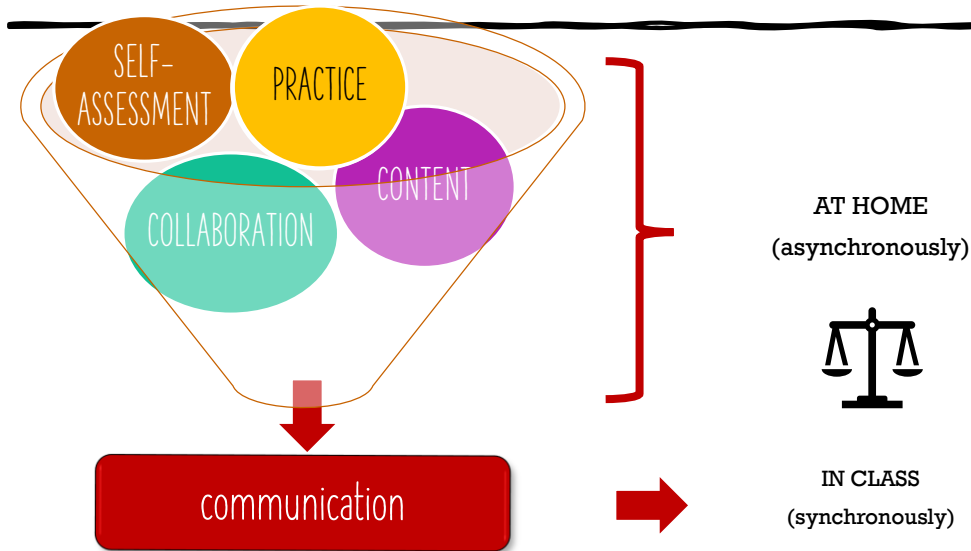
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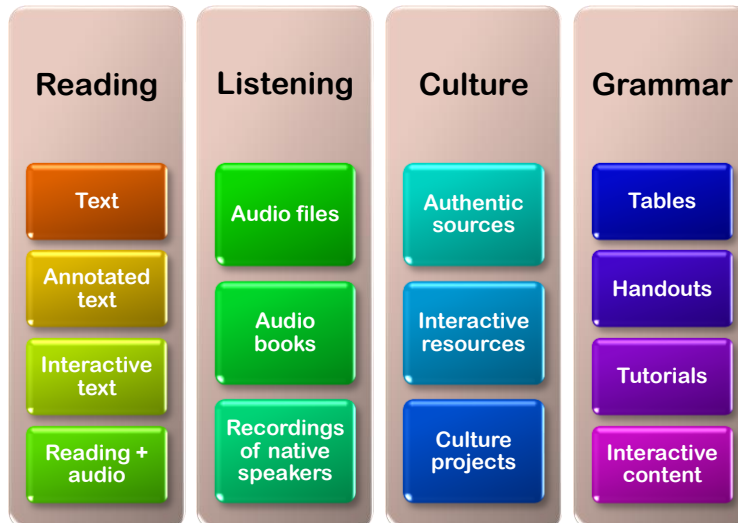
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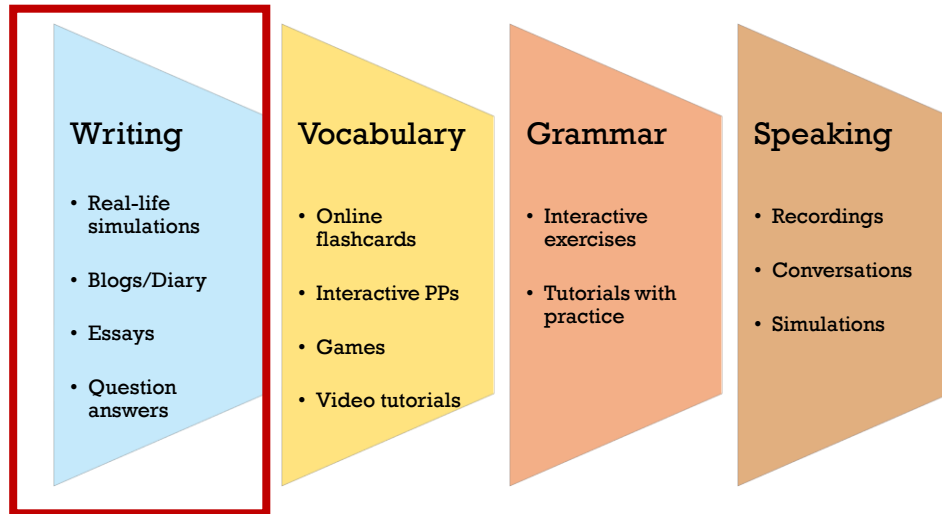
ASYNCHRONOUS: Content



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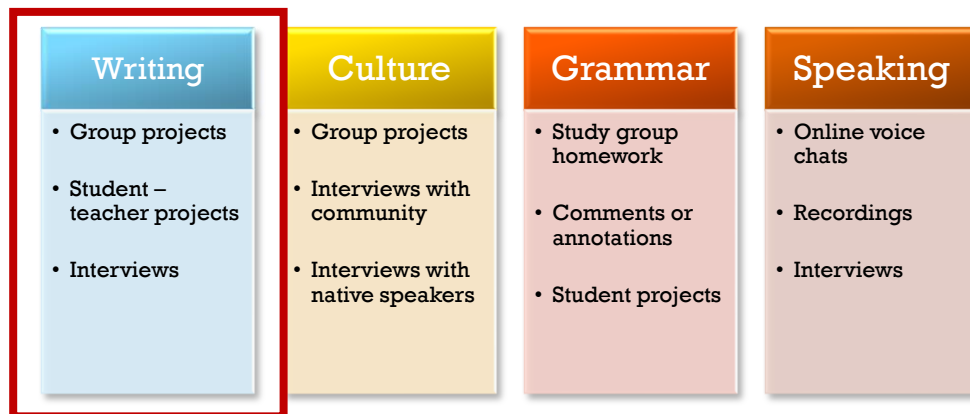
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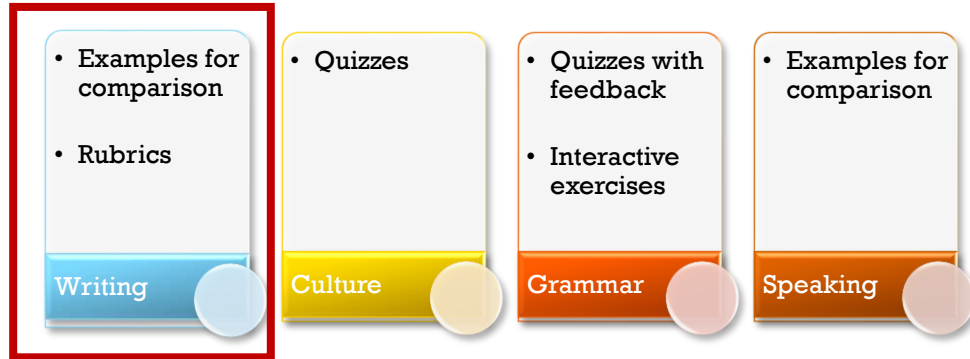
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INTERACTIVE ACTIVITIES



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QUIZLET



Quizlet

- Online tool for practicing **vocabulary**
- The system transforms your vocab list into **flashcards, games and tests**
- Can be used **synchronously** (new!) or **asynchronously**;
- A wide **variety of flashcard sets** from other educators
- Easy to **create** or **modify existing sets**;
- Can be **embedded** into LMSs.

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INTERACTIVE QUIZZES

Quizlet



Mentimeter

MENTIMETER

Pros:

- ✓ Wide variety of functions
- ✓ Free (basic features)

Cons:

- ✓ The free features are very basic
- ✓ It's still in the Beta stage

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INTERACTIVE QUIZZES



Next activity is happening outside of Zoom.

You will need to access **KAHOOT.IT** & **MENTI.COM** from your phones or a different device.

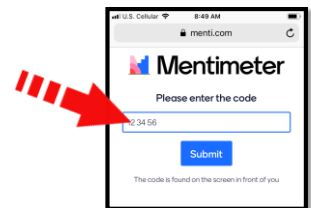
To access the activity, type in the number that will appear at the top of the screen into the code field.

Survey mode

- [Menti](#)

Quiz mode

- [Kahoot](#)
- [Menti](#)



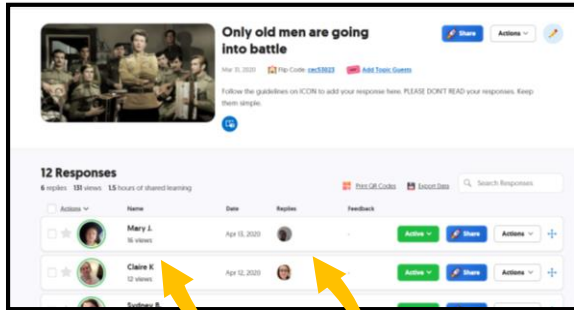
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FLIPGRID



- Interactive communication



See the posts and the comments come in

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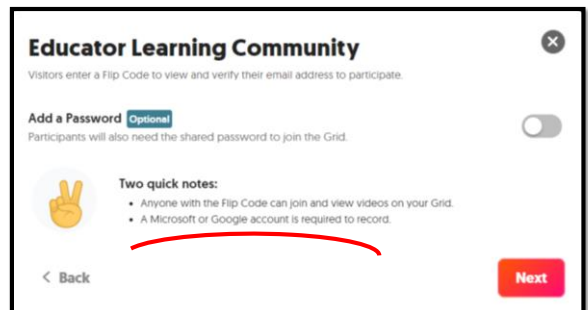
FLIPGRID: LET'S TRY IT



TASK: record a quick video introducing yourself and telling us what you wanted to be when you were a kid.

Use link or the code to get to our FLIPGRID

- <https://flipgrid.com/dyer0321>



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WHEEL OF FORTUNE

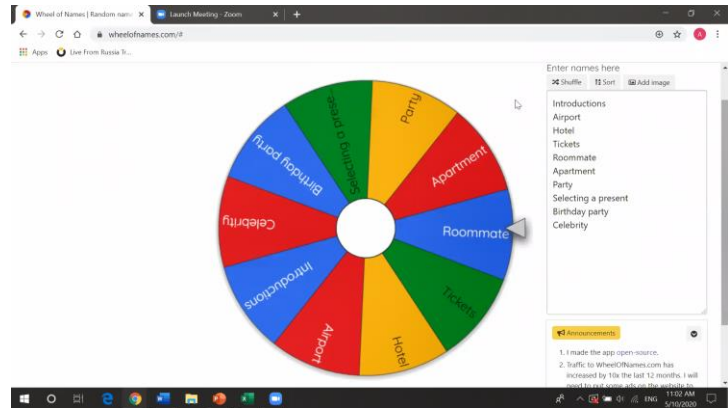


Use the wheel to:

- ✓ Call on people
- ✓ Assign random topics

There are many engines online to create the wheels.

- ✓ wheelofnames.com

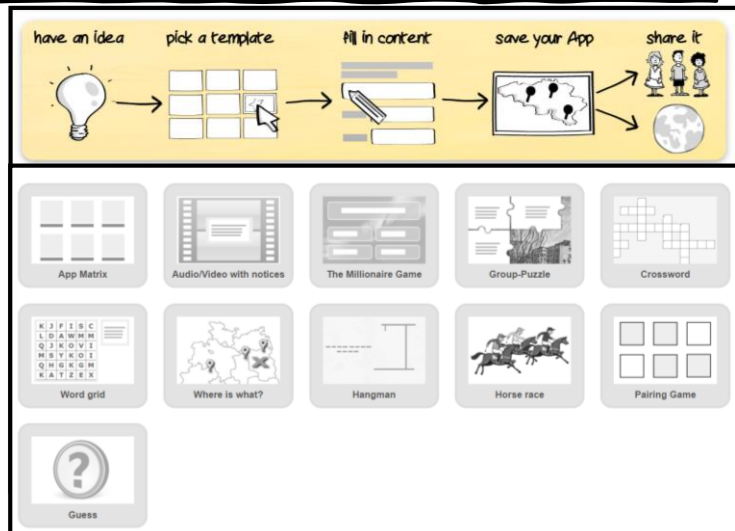


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LEARNING APPS.ORG

- Create **activities to share** as apps with your students.
- Use activities in **live classes** for interactivity.
- **Free** basic features.
- Very **user-friendly**.



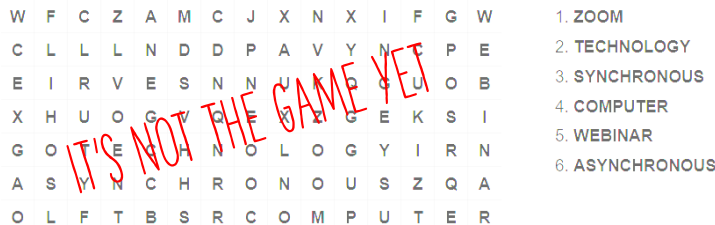
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LEARNING APPS.COM



- You will see this grid on the next page. Use **ZOOM Annotate** feature to mark the words right on the grid.
- Once I see the annotation, I will mark it online.



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PADLET



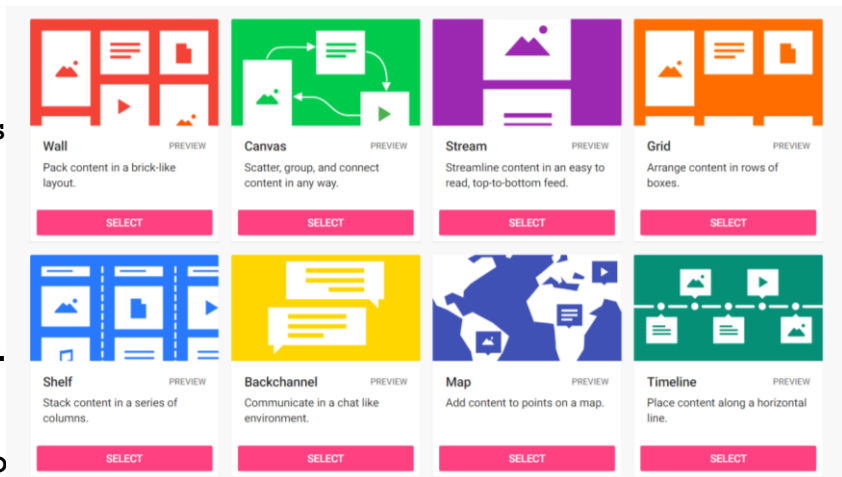
www.padlet.com

Free in basic features

You can add:

- ✓ Images,
- ✓ Videos,
- ✓ Text to the gallery.

Great for collaboratio



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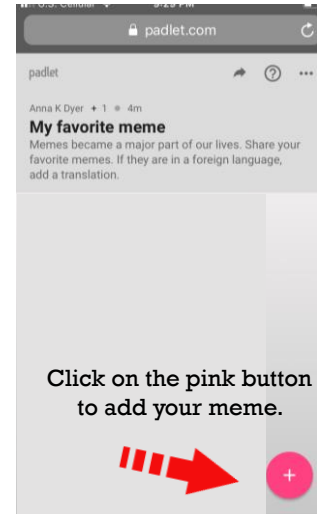


PADLET

- **TASK:** Memes became a major part of our lives. Share your favorite meme(s). If they are in a foreign language, add a translation.

To open **our** Padlet

- Click on the link (chat)
- Scan the code.



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PADLET: idea



30 DAY WORLD LANGUAGE CHALLENGE

Respond using a world language you know (other than English). Don't forget to tag #leadwithlanguages!

DAY 1 A word that makes you laugh	DAY 2 A song title in another language	DAY 3 A word you keep forgetting	DAY 4 Your favorite food	DAY 5 A word you learned from TV or a movie
DAY 6 A word that sounds like its English counterpart	DAY 7 A tongue-twister	DAY 8 An obscure word you know but never use	DAY 9 A word you will never forget	DAY 10 An "untranslatable" word (and its meaning!)
DAY 11 Your favorite animal	DAY 12 A word that describes you	DAY 13 A "filler" word you often use	DAY 14 An object you use every day	DAY 15 An idiom
DAY 16 Your favorite hobby	DAY 17 A word to describe your hometown	DAY 18 A word to describe how you feel	DAY 19 A famous quote and its speaker	DAY 20 Your favorite instrument
DAY 21 A word you learned from the news	DAY 22 The object to your right	DAY 23 Your favorite verb	DAY 24 The last word you learned	DAY 25 A word to describe your family
DAY 26 A difficult word to pronounce	DAY 27 A word borrowed from another language	DAY 28 A musician that sings in the language	DAY 29 Your favorite sport	DAY 30 One reason you're learning the language

Day 4: Your favorite food



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MEME GENERATORS

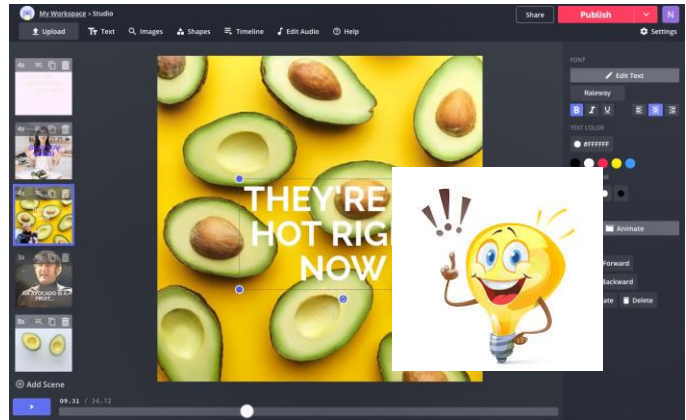


<https://www.kapwing.com/>

- Create you own **meme** pictures or short videos

<http://iphonefaketext.com/>

- Create your own fake **iphone messages** (still or animated)



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MEME GENERATORS

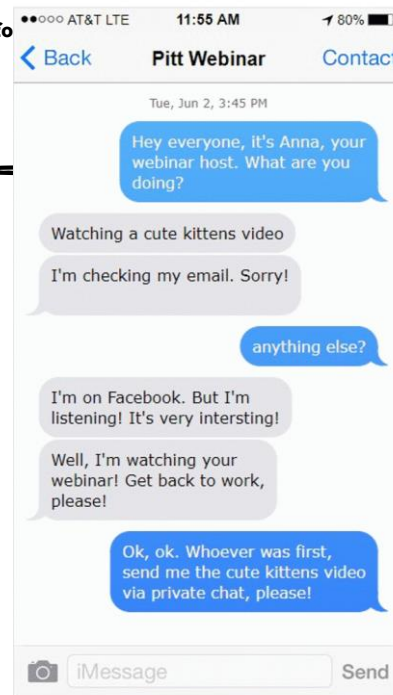


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SUMMING UP



There is nothing more engaging online than **communication**



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DESIGN BASICS

3 objectives of a good instructional PowerPoint

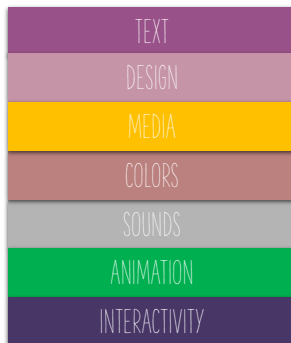


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Design Basics

What is the most important aspect of any good design?



Consistency



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DESIGN BASICS: TEXT

Use lots of text and different **FONTS** and many **colors** and **LOTS AND LOTS OF CAPS!!!**



short statements
simple fonts
same font type
same font size
italics or **bolding**
contrastive colors



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DESIGN BASICS: IMAGES

1. Use pictures with good quality
2. Empty space on the screen improves readability.
- 3. Use pictures that:
 - **visualize** your content
 - **engage** your learners
 - help learners **remember** the content



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DESIGN BASICS: SOUNDS

Don't use the sound effects unless they are important to illustrate your content.



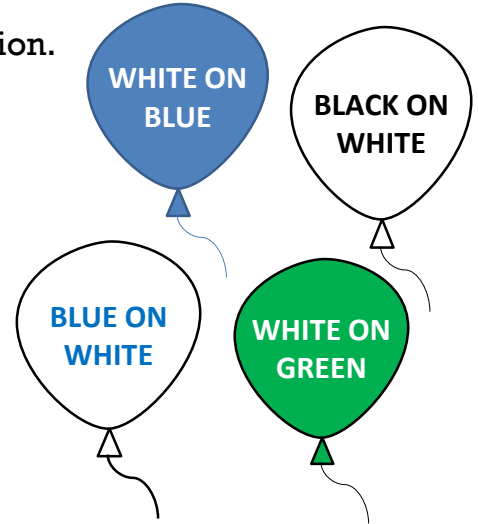
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DESIGN BASICS: COLORS



- Use colors to **highlight** important information.
- If using **color-coding**, use it consistently.
- Select colors with **high contrast**
- Don't use bright colors for **background**.



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DESIGN BASICS: ANIMATION



What can be animated in PowerPoint?



Text

Text can be animated with entrance, exit, motion, and emphasis effects.



Shapes

Shapes can be animated with entrance, exit, motion, and emphasis effects.



Images

Images can be animated. Also, animated gif files can include simple animations or even videos.

- **Best animation type (suggested): Appear / Disappear**

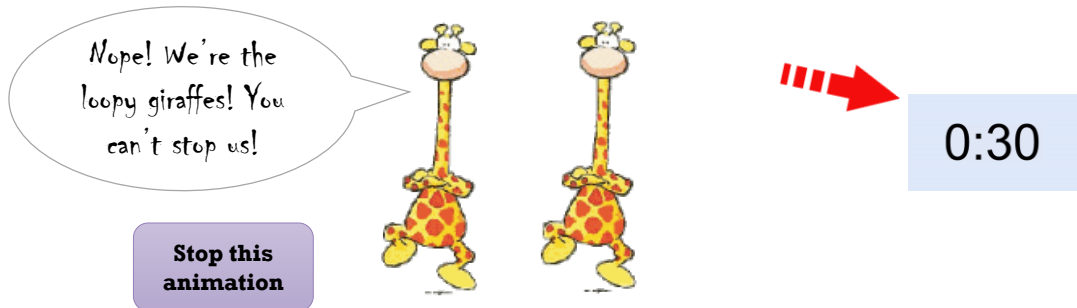
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DESIGN BASICS: ANIMATION.

! • A word of caution !

- Don't overuse animation,
- Especially the one that goes in a loop.

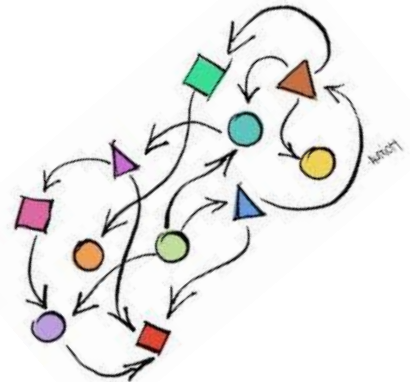


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DESIGN BASICS: INTERACTIVITY

- Hyperlinks to **external websites**
- **Embedded** audio and video
- **Hyperlinks within** PowerPoint
- **Clickable buttons** within PowerPoint



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DESIGN BASICS: common mistakes

- Overload of text on one slide.

- Inconsistency of design.



- Using images that don't have any function or any relation to the content.

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DESIGN BASICS: common mistakes

- Not using hyperlinking or animation to compress the content to one slide.

(example, question and answer each take one slide instead of appear on the same one)

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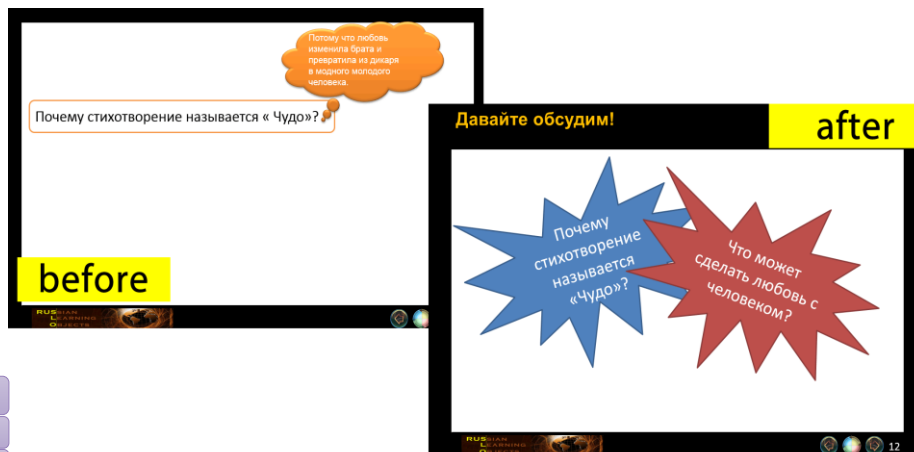
DESIGN BASICS: common mistakes

- Overusing effects in animation, color and sounds.
- Overusing links to external websites that each open in a new window.

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DESIGN BASICS: Examples



1st example

2nd example

3rd example

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INTERACTIVE POWERPOINTS



- Some interactive features that I will be showing might not be available on your PowerPoint if you have an older version.
- My demonstration is on a PC computer.
- Many animated features don't transfer well into the Cloud
- Features also vary on MAC vs PC versions of the PowerPoint.
- Trigger animations are not available on MACs. You cannot create them, but you can copy paste them to achieve the same interactivity.

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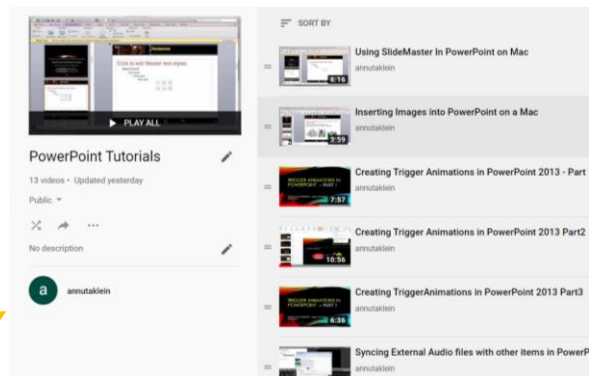
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POWERPOINT: MUST-KNOW BASICS

If you're using PowerPoint beyond the text & picture format, you must know how to:

- Basic editing
- Edit pictures
- Embed audio & video
- Link to external websites
- Link within PowerPoint
- Create animations

Tons of tutorials on [Youtube](#), including my tutorials on technology (and [Russian language](#))



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LIVE NOW

PPT MUST-KNOW: SELECTING ELEMENTS

- If you have multiple elements on the screen (pictures, text boxes, shapes, etc.), you can **select them all** by hitting Ctrl+A or selecting everything with a mouse.
- To select some of the elements: press and hold the **Shift** button while selecting the elements.
- To unselect one of the multiple elements, press and lock the **Shift** button on your keyboard and then click on an element to deselect it.



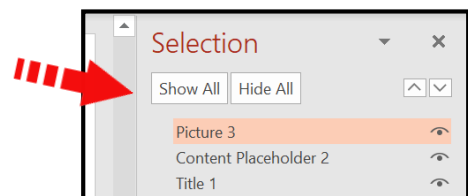
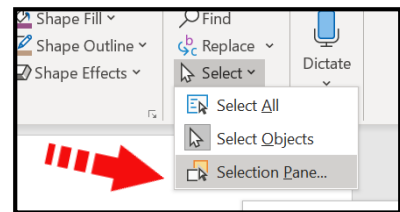
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LIVE NOW

PPT MUST-KNOW: SELECTION PANE

- **Selection panel** under the **Home** tab
- Allows you
 - to **see the names** of the objects on the screen
 - to **rename** objects
 - to **hide/show** objects



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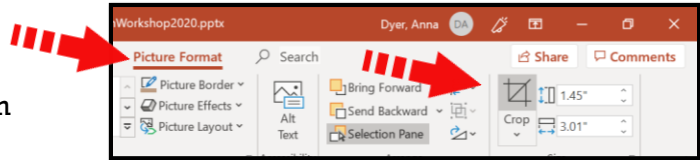
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PPT MUST-KNOW: EDITING PICTURES

Editing pictures

- Paste the picture into the slide
- OR use the **printscreen** button on your computer
- Select the picture on the screen → **Picture Format** will appear.
- Select **Crop**, modify your picture and click on **Crop** again.

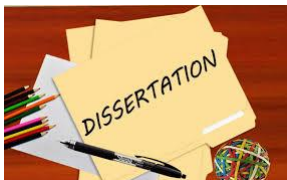


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PPT: animations

WHY ANIMATIONS?



Investigating effects of computer-based grammar tutorials

Kolesnikova, Anna (2011)

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PPT: animated tutorials



Computer-based grammar tutorials can create balance between form-focused and meaning-based instruction



Free-up class time for communication



opportunities for conscious learning;



systematic base for language acquisition



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Comparing various tutorials

- Tutorial with no animation at all.
- Tutorial with animated text.
- Tutorial without animations but with a teacher video.

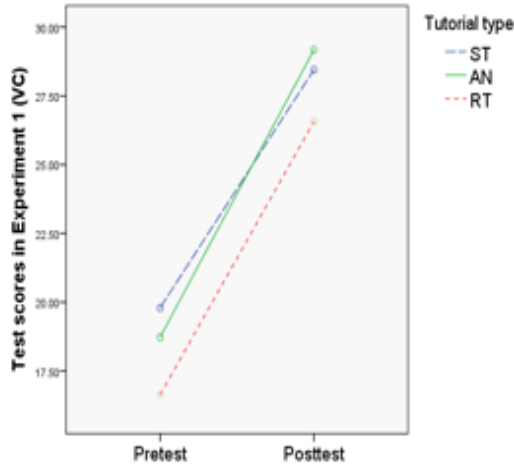
Examples of the SPV tutorials

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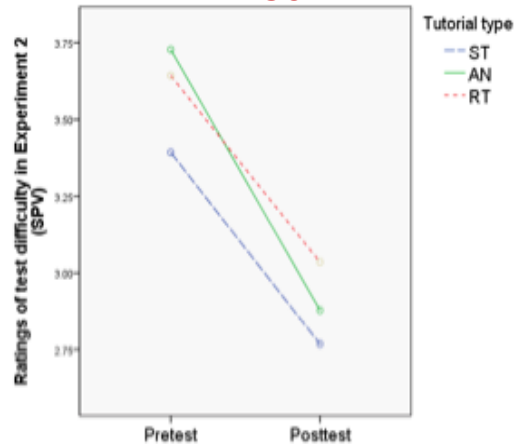
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Tutorials Work!

TEST SCORES



PERCEIVED DIFFICULTY



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BASIC ANIMATIONS

- You select the element that you want to animate (text, image, shape, embedded elements).
- Select the animation type.
- It will happen when you click anywhere on the screen.

• Animation options

Entrance – makes the text or shapes appear

Emphasis - the text or shape is always on the slide, but on click it can display some animation.

Exit – the text or shape appears on the slide by default, but on click it can disappear with some animated effect.

More effects

You see the most common effects in the window, but you can see more effects at the bottom.



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Matching Task: Template

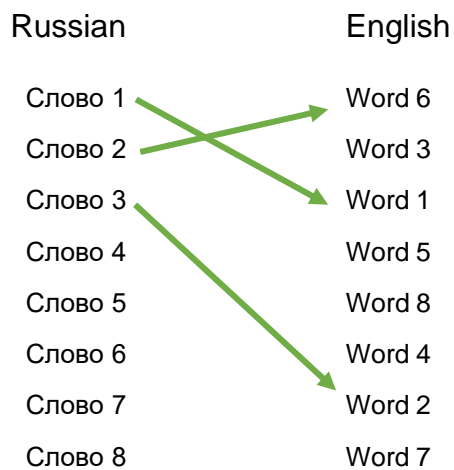


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Matching Task: DIY



Click on Arrow

Under Animations, select **Wipe** (or any other Entrance effect).

If Wipe is selected, under Effect options select **From left**

Copy and paste the arrow to connect the other words

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TRIGGER ANIMATIONS: Type 1

Clicking on one object triggers some kind of animation in another object



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TRIGGER ANIMATIONS: Type 2

Clicking on one object triggers some kind of animation with this object.



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Fill-in-the-Blanks Task: Example & Template



- Today is
- I'm taking part in an online
- I hope it will be

- Templates for copying:

Use the shape to cover the words you want your students to guess.
Note: The shape in the text will disappear when you click on it (trigger animation).

- The shape can be resized to match words of different sizes.
- To have more shapes, simply copy it to have as many as you need.
- If the shape disappears behind the text, right-click on it, select Arrange – Bring to Front. Or select the text box, right-click, select Arrange – Send to Back.

- **Shape 1:** disappears on any click
- **Shape 2:** disappears only when you click it (like a button).

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Sample Fill-in-the-Blanks: DIY



- Enter text here.

Shape 1: on click anywhere

Click on the shape.
Under Animations select any **EXIT effect**
→ It will disappear when you click anywhere on the screen.

Shape 2: on click on the shape (like a button)

Click on the shape
Under Animations select any **EXIT effect**
Under **Trigger** select the same form (in this example it's Rounded Rectangle)
→ It will disappear only if you click on this form

For both shapes: you can duplicate, resize and move them around.

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Vocabulary Gallery: examples & template



Apple picture

Picture disappears when you click on it to reveal a word. Picture is a button created with Trigger animation.

This is only a demo. To create your own picture/word elements like this one you'd need to add animations to all your pictures.

Word example

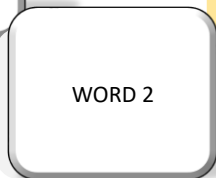
In this example, you will have a word in a white box and the word associate with it in the grey box. When you click on the picture, word appears, when you click on the word, a picture appears. Basically, they serve as each other's buttons.

This examples is a template. You can copy paste the elements and add your own words.

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Vocabulary Gallery: DIY



Apple picture

Drag the apple picture over the word box.

Click on the picture. Under Animations select any **Exit** effect.

→ When you click anywhere on the screen or on the keyboard arrows.

Word example

Make sure to know how your elements are called (see Selection pane). Remember you can also rename them if you have too many elements on the screen.

Click on the white WORD box. Under Animations select any **Exit** effect. Then, under **Trigger** select the same box.

Click on the white WORD box again. Under **Add Animation** select any **Entrance** effect. Then, under **Trigger** select the same box.

Drag the white word box over the grey word box.

→ When you click on the white box, it should disappear. When you click on the grey box, the white one should reappear.

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Multiple Choice Quiz: Template



• Add your question here.



Response 1



Response 2 (correct)



Response 3

- To add more responses, simply copy **both the response** (correct or incorrect) **and the associated icon** and change the text in the text box

- To rearrange the correct/incorrect responses, drag **both the text box and the associated icon** to rearrange its location

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Multiple-Choice Task with Reset: Template



Add your question here.



Response 1



Response 2 (correct)



Response 3

This example has a Reset button. If adding more options to the responses, make sure to include them under the Reset animation.

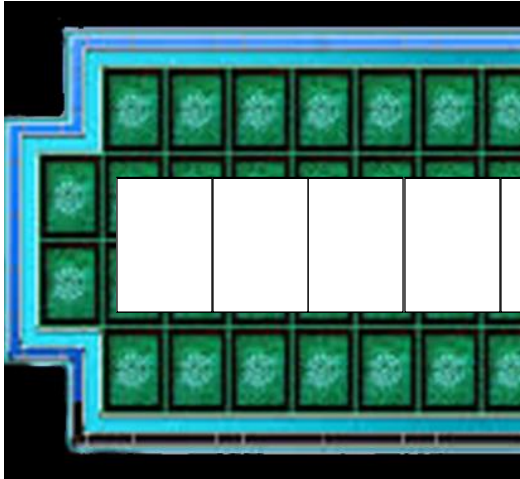
Reset

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Example: Guess the word



Add your question/prompt here



Each box for the letter has two items: box for the letter and the box for the cover.

Select all white boxes and move them aside.
 Edit the letters of the word.
 Move the white boxes back.

or

Use the Selection Pane to edit the text in the boxes: hide all covers then adjust the letters in the letter boxes (you can delete them for shorter words or duplicate them to make longer words),

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Example: Guess the word with letters

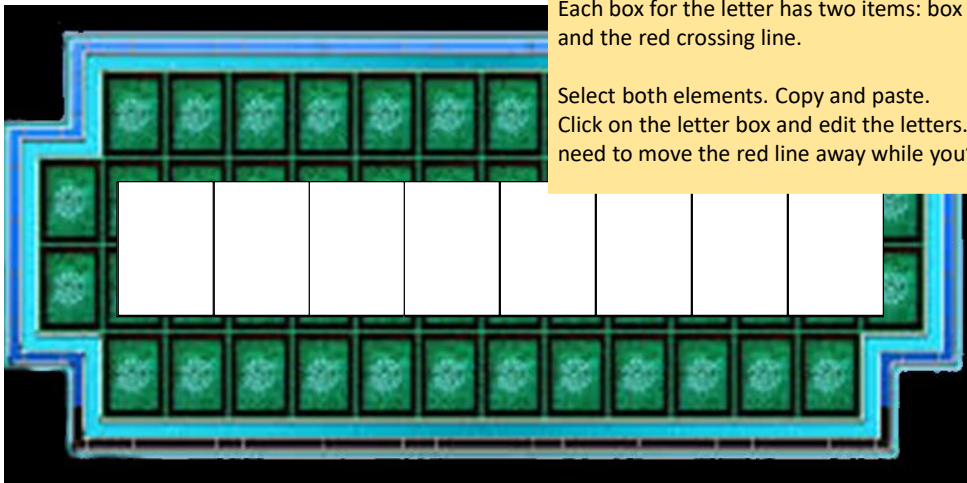


A

B

C

Add your question/prompt here



Each box for the letter has two items: box for the letter and the red crossing line.

Select both elements. Copy and paste.
 Click on the letter box and edit the letters. (you might need to move the red line away while you're editing)

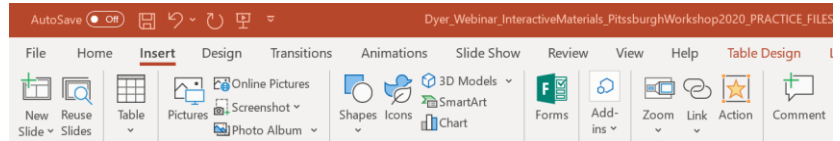
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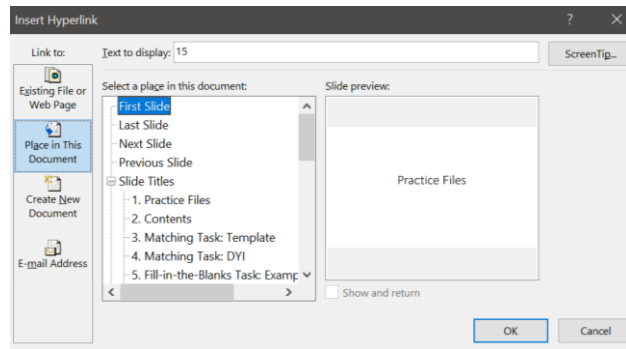
LINKING PAGES



- You can link the pages within the same presentation.



- You can create:
 - Table of contents
 - Interactive grids or galleries
 - Jeopardy-like games



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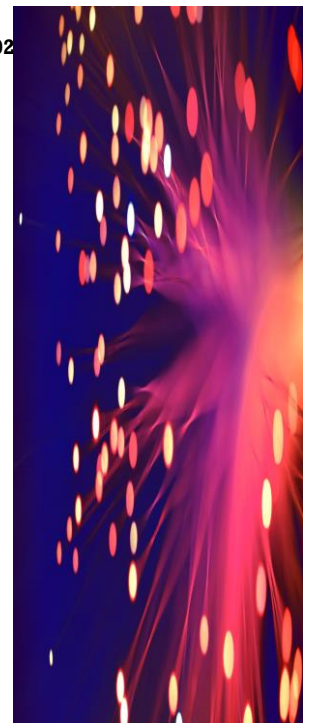
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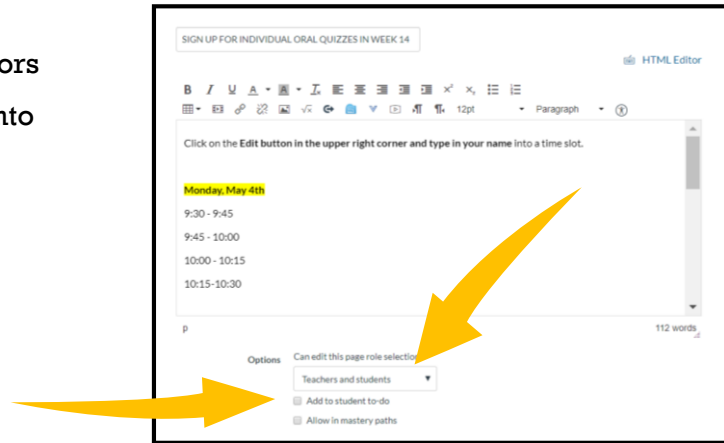
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CANVAS: QUIZZES

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- No correct answers needed

QUIZ

- With correct answers & immediate feedback

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