

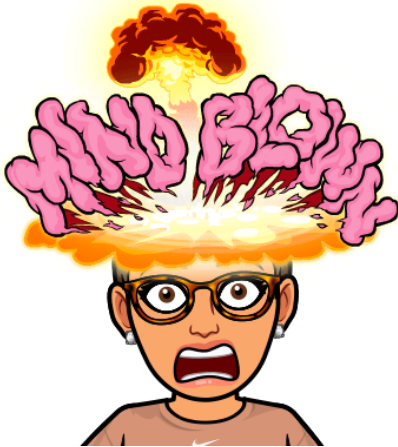


TECH TIDBITS



TINYWOW.COM

Okay, I know I say this a lot, but I found something that is a TOTAL GAME CHANGER. Tiny Wow will literally convert almost any PDFs, Videos, or Images to whatever format you want FREE with ZERO limits. Like, how amazing is that?



Have a PDF that you just need split or that you need 1-2 pages deleted from? EASY. Take a picture on your iPhone and can't upload it to the website you need to as it is the wrong format? EASY. Need to remove the background from a photo or blur it? EASY. Want to turn a PDF into a Word document? EASY.

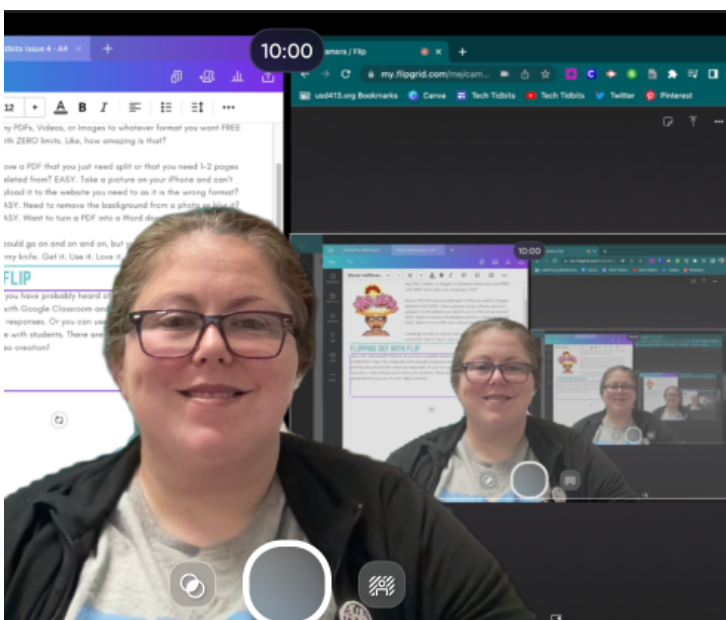
I could go on and on and on, but you get my drift. It's like a swiss army knife. Get it. Use it. Love it.

FLIPPING OUT WITH FLIP

Flip is the "rebranded" FlipGrid, so you have probably heard of it before! It is by Microsoft and is COMPLETELY free. Flip integrates with Google Classroom and you can assign topics to classes and they record and edit videos as responses, like a video discussion board.



There are a lot of speaking and listening standards that you can hit with video creation! Within Flip you can set up groups (and sync them with Google Classroom) for students to answer prompts with video, audio, or text and use fun filters and tools to do it. I could see this a a great way to do reading checks, reading logs, book reviews, etc.



Or you can use it how I do and use it to make tutorials or video directions to share with students. I use it to throw a graphic up and record segments in front of the photo and record my face, or have my face in the corner of the screen while I am creating a tutorial with a screen recording. I feel as if it makes the video more engaging and students may zone out less during a video if they are watching you talking and seeing the steps on the screen. Videos are easy to share and export.



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OCTOBER TIS SCHEDULE

Here is my building visit schedule for October, remember that you can request me to come outside of this schedule as well! When I am not at other buildings, I am in room 321 @ CES!

10/4 - RMS - Morning

10/6 - CHS - Morning

10/18 - RMS - Afternoon

10/20 - CHS - Afternoon

10/25 - LELC



JAMBOARD - HIDDEN GOOGLE GEM

I was asked to find an alternative to Padlet that was free and that let you have more than three active boards at a time. I stumbled across Jamboard, which I had heard of before and never really got into. It is pretty neat! For those of you that have not heard of it, Jamboard is a digital whiteboard that is part of the Google Suite of services that you can use in any internet browser or a mobile app.

You can find Jamboard by going to jamboard.google.com. You can also find it by clicking the "New" button in your Google Drive and hovering over "More". These can be created and used on any device!

Ideas on how to use Jamboard:

- Student Feedback
- Group Collaboration
- Class Discussions
- Exit Tickets
- Reading Response

[Here is a link to a Jamboard I created](#)

Here are links to some FREE Jamboard Templates that you can download & Use!

- <https://www.weareteachers.com/jamboard-ideas/>
- <https://dforlearning.com/jamboard-templates/>

TOPIC IDEAS?

Submit them to me!
Let me know what YOU need!

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QUIZZZ VERSUS KAHOOT!

If you ask a teacher that uses one of these, most will very passionately prefer one over the other. In the classroom I was always #teamkahoot!, and rolled my eyes when someone would say they liked Quizizz more. This probably goes back to one student that used a Quizizz that he found to cheat like 6 years ago and I never got over it. Recently, I have been working with teachers that really like Quizizz, and when helping them, I discovered that maybe my bias was unfounded. I used it sporadically in the last few years, but never truly embraced it. So, I began to do some research and find out more about both of them and what their differences and limitations are. In the classroom I would use programs like these to practice vocabulary and review for tests in a fun interactive way. I also like how they can be done as a group or individually.

As with practically everything else, both of these have free options BUT the majority of content is now reserved for subscription plans.

Here is what you can get with a basic (free) account in each:

- **Kahoot:** Create kahoots with quiz questions, Host and play kahoots, Assign student-paced kahoots, up to 50 players per game
- **Quizizz:** Limited activities and Open Library Access, Interactive Lessons, Asynchronous Assignments, Engaging Assessments

Here are links to games created on a free account of each, they are 5 question quizzes over some random Chanute facts. Check them out so you can see how they are similar and different!

- **Kahoot:** https://kahoot.it/challenge/06727074?challenge-id=13f061bd-2da7-4e21-bdbc-1b8d666e8d4b_1663960695907
- **Quizizz:** <https://quizizz.com/join?gc=50266051>

Subscription Tiers

- **Kahoot!**
 - Pro: \$36/year; polls, puzzles, and multi-select answers, advanced slide layouts, premium image library, up to 100 players per game.
 - Premium: \$72/year; new game modes, type answer question, audio-in questions, personalized learning, up to 200 people per game.
 - Premium+: \$108/year; student passes, unlimited teacher groups, course with full functionality, access more learning apps, up to 2000 players per game.
- **Quizizz**
 - SUPER: \$96/year; Unlimited activities and open library access, all question types, answer explanations, flexible assignment options, customizable reports.

The Verdict

If you took the quizzes I made and linked above, you will see that with the changes to both platforms in the last 2ish years, they look more similar than they have in the past. Personally, I think Kahoot! looks more suited (graphics wise) for elementary and Quizizz looks for high school, with middle school (as normal) falling in between the two. That is just my two cents!

If I was back in the classroom again, I would go with Quizizz and pay for the yearly subscription. The planning time and resource collection time is worth that much to me!

