

Digital Tools for Teaching

There are numerous digital tools available to use in teaching. Here are some that my students and I have used and recommended. Prices are accurate as of 11/9/2022; and some subscriptions are currently discounted.

What do you use? Add your favorite tools in the comment box below.

Tool	Application	URL	Platform	Cost
Classroom response apps & surveys				
Survey Monkey	Administering surveys & polls	https://www.surveymonkey.com	Desktop & mobile	\$25/month + Tiered pricing plan
Kahoot	Game based classroom response tool (students reply to questions on cell phones);	https://getkahoot.com/	Desktop & mobile	Free
Socrative	Real-time quizzes & responses; designed for K-12; Maximum of 50 students; only allows 1 classroom per account; multiple languages	http://www.socrative.com/	Desktop & mobile	Free with a tiered pricing plan for more features
Poll everywhere	Polling/response tool using cell phones	https://www.polleverywhere.com/	Mobile	Free for 25 audience members; Tiered pricing plan for more features
Audiorecording & sharing tool				
Soundcloud	A tool to record audio tracks and upload these to share with others; you can use these to provide announcements to students; also provides a way to share musical compositions	https://soundcloud.com/	Desktop & mobile	Free for up to 3 hours of track uploads, with tiered pricing plan

Develop online presentations and screencasts				
Articulate 360	Develop sophisticated presentations that integrate with a Learning Management System (LMS); Accessibility Compliant	https://www.articulate.com/products/storyline-why.php	PC only; if you have a Mac, you need to run a program for PCs (e.g., VMware Fusion, Parallels Desktop)	Free trial; \$549.00 annually for individual plan, other plans available
Screencast-o-matic	Record screencasts/videos	https://screencast-o-matic.com/	PC & Mac	Currently \$2.40/month paid annually with other plans with added features
Powtoon	Create videos and presentations	https://www.powtoon.com	PC & Mac	\$10/month billed annually and other plans
Videoscribe	Create animated whiteboard presentations	http://www.videoscribe.co/	Desktop & mobile	\$39/month \$168/year with single user license
1 second everyday	Create 1 second videos that can be used to create longer movies	http://www.1secondeveryday.com/	Mobile	Free with paid version (Pro) that records up to 10 seconds
Prezi	Develop online presentations that integrate audio, video, documents, images, slides, infographics etc.	https://prezi.com/	Desktop & mobile	Tiered pricing plan From \$3/month billed annually with tiered pricing plan for added features
ISpringSuite	Develop presentations for elearning (screencasts, lectures, eBooks etc.)	http://www.ispringsolutions.com/ispring-suite	Desktop Mobile PC & Mac	\$470-\$670/year depending on features for academic authors
Snagit	Screencapture and recording software	https://www.techsmith.com/snagit-pricing.html	Windows & Mac	\$37.99 for single-user license (Education)
Camtasia	Develop and edit screencasts	https://www.techsmith.com/video-editor.html	Windows & Mac	\$212.99 for single-user license (Education)

Screenflow	Develop and edit screencasts	https://www.telestream.net/screenflow/	Mac only	\$169/single user-license
Skitch	Take screenshots, mark up and share	Also integrated in Evernote	Mac/Windows	Free

Mobile messaging				
Whatsapp	Cross platform mobile messaging app to have synchronous discussions & send messages	https://www.whatsapp.com/	Phone app: Android & Iphone Mac or Windows PC	Free
Video commenting tool				
EdPuzzle	Use videos on the web to insert questions for students & initiate discussions	https://edpuzzle.com/	Desktop & Mobile	Free plan Teachers: \$9.50/month Plans for school districts
Bookmarking/saving online sources				
Pocket	Saves articles, website, videos	https://getpocket.com/	Desktop & mobile	Free with paid plans \$44.99/year \$4.99/month
Evernote	Productivity app that saves articles, websites, videos & images; notetaking app	https://evernote.com/	Desktop & mobile	Free with paid plans \$8.99/month \$9.99/month