Creativity in the Classroom!

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Agenda:

--Introductions

--Objective for the Day!

--Sharing

--Hands-On Practice (Tech Challenges)

--Wrap-Up

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Objective:

I can explore the apps Book Creator, Popplet, and Padlet and develop new & meaningful ideas to use these apps in my classroom for students to share their creative thinking (and of course have fun in the process!)

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Why Use these Apps?

--User Friendly! (for both students and teachers)

--It is possible to add text, drawings, video, sound, photos

--App smashing!

--Last but not least, they’re fun to use and **STUDENTS LOVE IT!**
Ways to Incorporate Book Creator into your Classroom Community:

--Group Projects (share learning through images, video, recordings)

--Individual Projects (upload research writing from Drive and add pictures and effects)

--Classroom News (My class has gone paperless this year!)

--“Tech Challenges” (aka Tasks)
Check out my Class News! We have gone paperless this year. The class is divided into groups of “reporters.” At the end of each Term, they share with their families highlights and current events approaching soon!

This year for Parent Info Night, I greeted the parents with a movie made from Book Creator-then uploaded to i-Movie!

Book Creator can be utilized for Reading Groups/Station Work! We have read The Breadwinner by Deborah Ellis as a read aloud. Students followed along to this book trailer and responded to the prompts in their notebooks as a station activity.

Here is an example of a project 5th Graders created about the Vikings. Each group had also engineered their own Viking longship using recycled materials. As you can see, they added voice, recording, images. This was a way for each group to share their learning in a fun and engaging way!

Book Creator is also great for individual projects as well! Here, as you can see, students shared their research-based writing about World War II as part of a larger Class Book which was later shared with families.
The Basics on Book Creator

--Choosing a Book (new updated version!)

--I is Your Friend!

--Adding photos, pictures, drawings, text, sound...

--Renaming and Saving (and Sharing)
Popplet!

--A terrific **formative assessment**!

--Students can express their thinking with you (and their peers)
Did you know you can utilize other apps (like Popplet) while using Book Creator? It’s called **app smashing**!
Sharing Possibilities:

--Drive

--Airdropping

--Seesaw! (a great way for students to post their work. Possibilities for students and parents to see/comment on work!) User-friendly, quick to set up, and a typical Warm-Up activity has now become more exciting/engaging...they get to see their peers’ ideas and creative thinking!
Padlet...virtual sticky notes!

Let’s try it out!

Click [this link](#) and post an idea you have on how to integrate Book Creator or Popplet into your classroom!
Now it’s Your Turn!

Complete the Tech Challenge:

Create a message for your class using **Popplet** or **Book Creator**!

--You know you are successful if you can add text, add a photo, and change the page color.

*Be prepared to share with a Buddy!*
*Tech Challenges: Learn by Doing!

--Create your own Popplet-now try adding it to this Padlet wall!

--Choose a comic book in Book Creator and in addition to adding a photo, text, and changing the color scheme...now add a thought bubble or caption (What are some ideas or wonders you have for using Book Creator in your classroom community?)---Now... see if you can export this book to your Drive!

(FYI: If you have a recording...export as Video. If just photos and text....export as PDF)

--Try creating your own Padlet--Log in by email to create your account.
Wrap-Up:
How will you use these apps in *your* classroom?

What is a **Connection**, an **Extension**, or a **Challenge**? Post your ideas [here](#).

Feel free to e-mail me with any future questions!

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