Using Pear deck for Student Engagement

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Hello!

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Objectives for today’s session:

1. Learn what Pear Deck is and how it can be used in the classroom

2. Experience Pear Deck from the student Perspective

3. Idea Share and brainstorm how this great tool can be put to work for you.
So, What IS Pear Deck?
What is Pear Deck?

• Live slide presentation tool that allows you to project to student devices AND a screen at the same time.
• Can be controlled remotely (great for classroom management)
• Interactive slides can be added for formative assessment or student feedback
# Pear Deck Free vs. Pear Deck Premium

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Get 3 free months of Pear Deck Premium Access

http://bit.ly/2FYweKl
Have you tried Pear Deck? If so, share your experience here!
Pear deck and G-Suite are great partners!

- **Pear Deck for Google Slides** add-on lets you easily add interactive questions to your slides deck
- Easily import existing slide decks into Pear Deck
- **Pear Deck “Orchard”** is a library of pre-made examples you can copy and edit or use as is!
NOT JUST ANOTHER SLIDE DECK TOOL...

• Great for formative assessment or feedback
• Student responses are anonymous when displayed on screen
• Encourages ALL levels of students to feel that it is “SAFE” to answer
The Pear Deck Family

- Pear Deck Flashcard Factory (vocab game)
- Pear Deck “Be Internet Awesome” Digital Citizenship lessons
- Social-Emotional Skills templates (stress check, active listening, coping)
- User created Pear Decks
Stress Check

I'm in a good space and can focus

Something is bothering me, but I can still focus

I can’t manage my emotions or behaviors right now
Pear deck “Be Internet AWesome” Digital Citizenship

- Ready to teach lessons, teaching guide and flashcard factory vocab lists.
- Recognition and completion materials
- Safety pledge for kids and parents to sign
- Developed in conjunction with ISTE
PEAR DECK FLASHCARD FACTORY

• Students work in pairs to make “flashcards”
• Completed flashcards can be submitted to Quizlet
• Students can be asked to “justify” their learning to have their card approved or teacher can approve.
• Easy to upload wordlist
PEAR DECK AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

- Each student sees slides on their OWN device
- Interactive questions and feedback
- Responses do not show names, all feel safe to answer
- Flashcard Factory “gamifies” the learning
- With teacher dashboard (premium) you can present remotely from tablet or phone.
Some examples from around the “interwebs”

5th grade reading curriculum assessment review

Social-Emotional Learning template (this is designed for you to take individual slides out and do in mini lessons)

Science - Classification of Animals

Math - 3rd grade multiplication

Social Studies - Rosa Parks and the Montgomery Bus Boycott
What are some ways you could use Pear Deck in YOUR classroom?
Revisiting our objectives—How’d we do?

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Circle how you are feeling:
Thanks!

Any questions?

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