

## Free EdTech PD, EdTech News & More!

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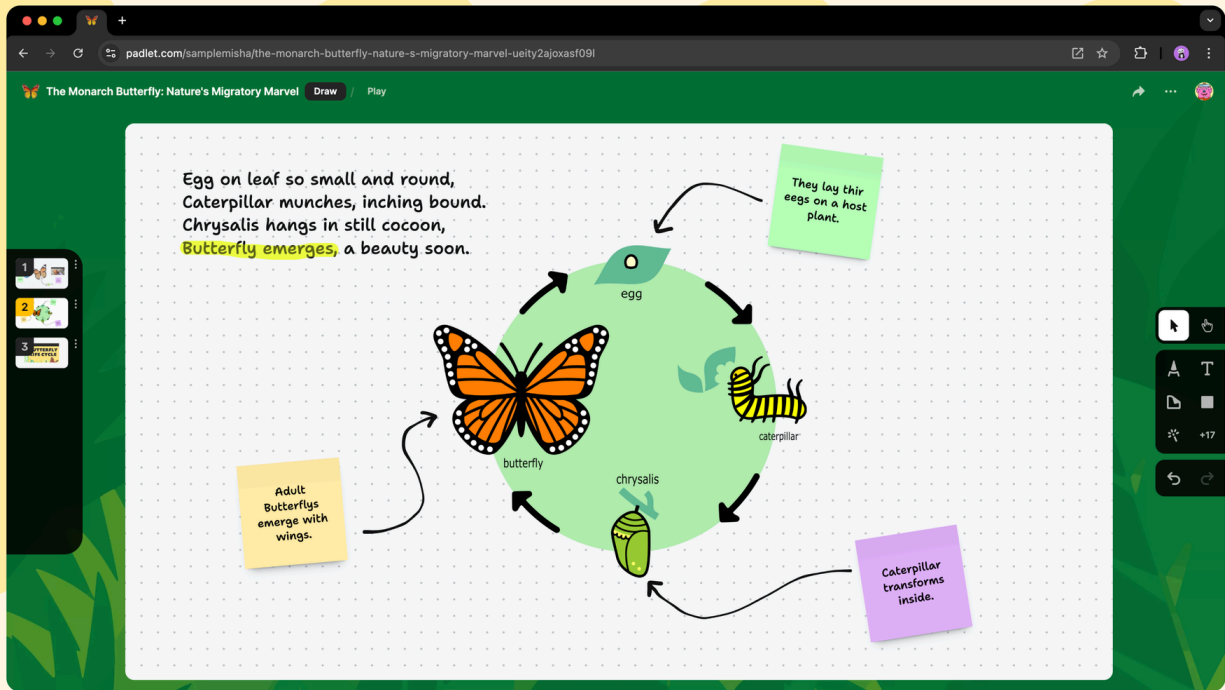
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## What's New in EdTech?

### **Padlet Sandbox**

Google Jamboard is being discontinued at the end of the year, but Padlet Sandbox is a great alternative! Think of this as a Google Slides presentation with an online whiteboard feature built in. If you're familiar with online whiteboards, it comes with the typical online whiteboard tools: sticky notes, drawing tools, text boxes, ability to import images and videos, etc. BUT one big, extra feature that most online whiteboards don't have... a built in AI image generator! It is called "I can't draw". With this tool, you type what you're looking for and the AI image generator will create the image for you.

Looking for more Flip alternatives? [Read this blog post from Ditch that Textbook](#)

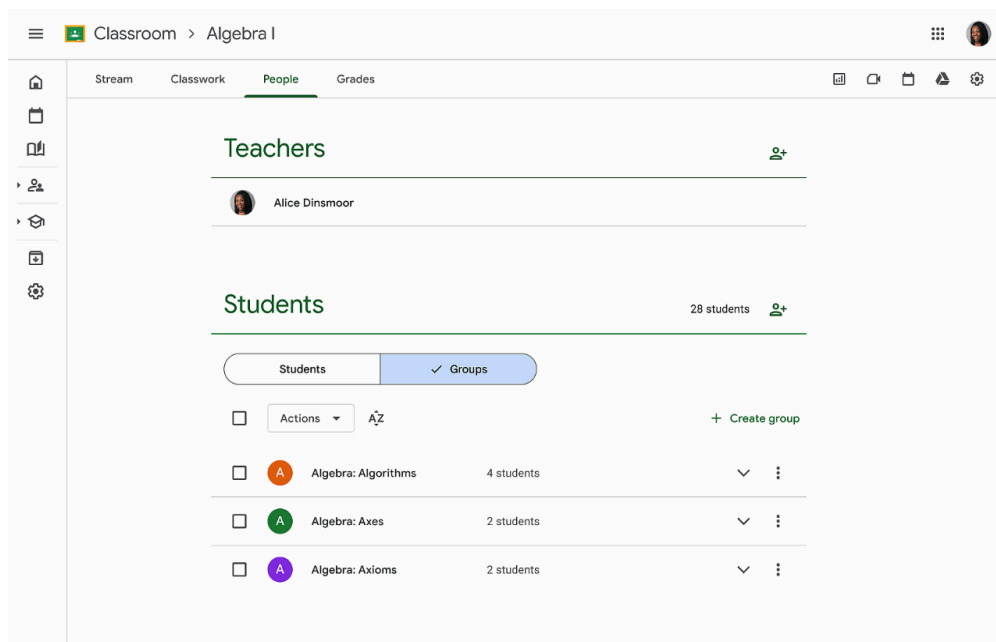


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## Student Groups in Google Classroom

\*Teaching & Learning or Education Plus upgrade required\*

This new feature in Google Classroom enables teachers to create groups of students to make assigning differentiated content easier. This update will allow them to quickly assign classwork to pre-defined sets of students without having to tediously select individual students.



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## Updates to Mote



Mote is an awesome accessibility tool for teachers. Big picture - it gives teachers the ability to add verbal directions, feedback, or notes to any document. [In this video](#), Mote gives its latest and greatest updates! A few include text to speech in Google Forms, Mote QR codes, and auto read a loud in Google Forms. All students deserve the ability for a fair and equitable education. Mote can help you do that.

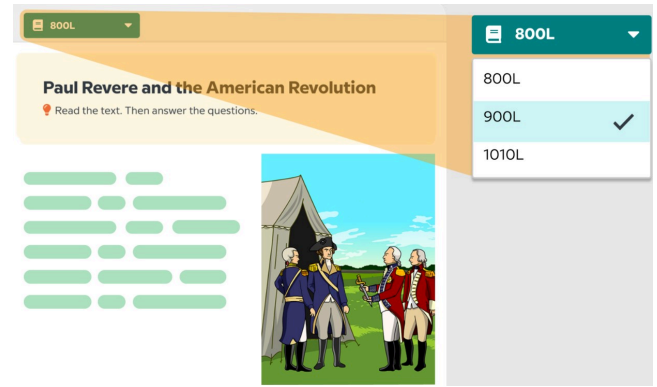
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## BrainPOP Levelled Readings

If you use BrainPop in your classroom, you're going to love this! They added some new features: leveled readings, vocab builders, enhanced quizzes, and teacher-level reports. All of which will help build

background knowledge and vocab,  
differentiate instruction, and track and  
celebrate learning outcomes.

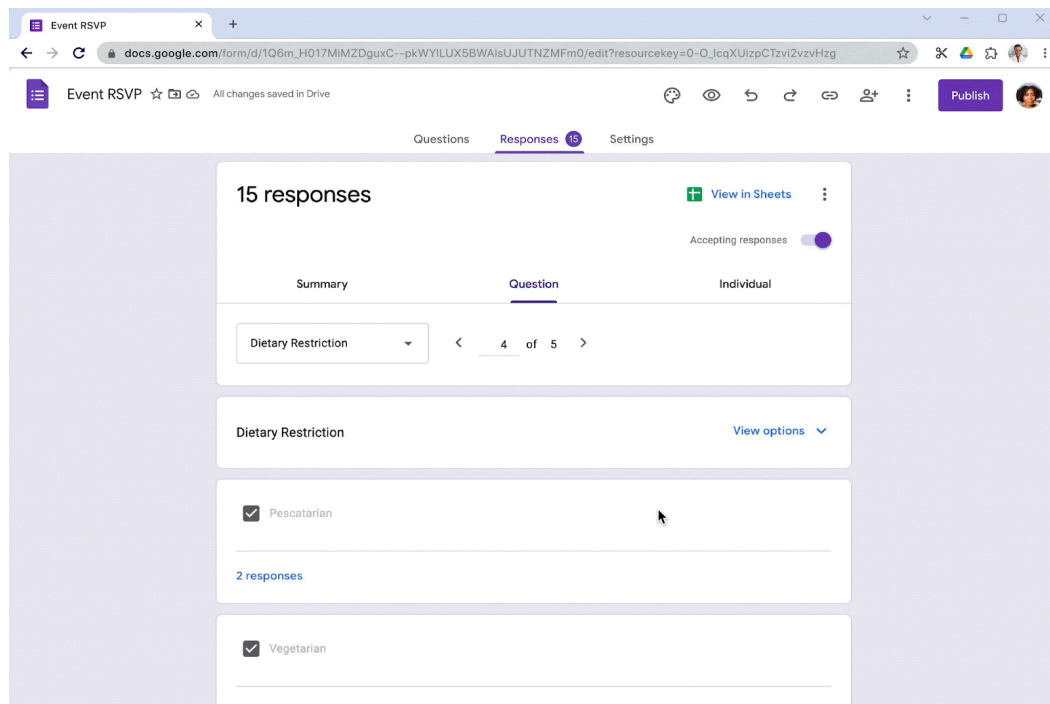


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## View Google Form Data as a Table in Google Sheets

When creating a Sheet using Forms data, Sheets will automatically open the data as a table, bringing format and structure to your data

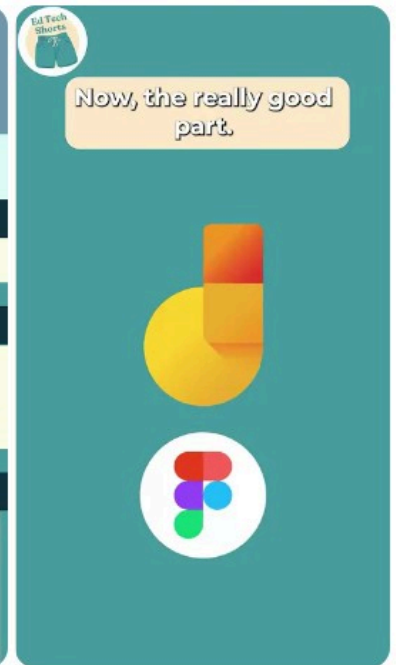
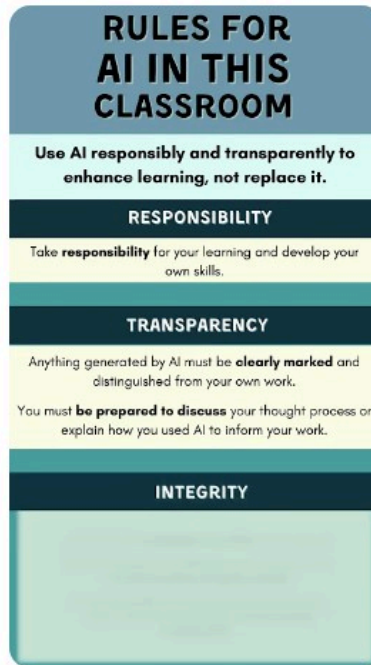
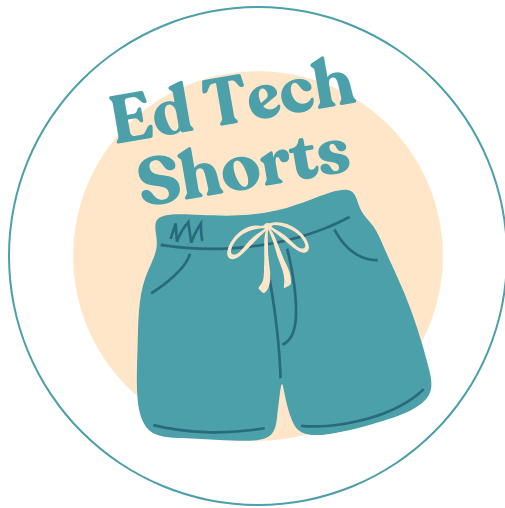


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## New from NEOnet Tech Integration: EdTech Shorts 🩳

YouTube Shorts about EdTech Tools, Updates, and More!



Rules for AI in Your Classroom: Free Template!...

Google Jamboard Is Leaving -But...#EdTech...

## Professional Development Opportunities

### PBIS & EdTech

*Live Webinar September 4th, 3pm-4pm EST*

*FREE & OPEN TO ANYONE!*

Join us for this interactive and informative webinar to discover how PBIS and EdTech can work together to create a more positive and productive learning environment! We will discuss the 5 Elements of PBIS and how EdTech Tools like Nearpod, Quizizz, and other gamified websites can help achieve your PBIS goals.

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### PBL in the AI Era

*Live Webinar September 11th, 3pm-4pm EST*

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Project Based Learning is a well-documented, effective instructional approach, but it is often difficult for teachers to implement it into their classrooms. Now with AI, teachers can brainstorm with an AI partner to help them plan, develop, and reflect upon meaningful PBL experiences. This session will explain how teachers can bring PBL into any classroom.

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## **Making Assignments Relatable: Safely Bringing Social Media Into the Classroom**

*Live Webinar September 18th, 3pm-4pm EST*

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Join us for a fun and interactive webinar where we'll show you how to bring your classroom assignments to life by using mock social media templates in Google Apps. Get ready to dive into the world of digital creativity and make learning a blast! We'll discuss the difference between relatable assignments vs traditional assignments, the benefits of using social media templates, and review some examples. You'll also have time to try out some templates for yourself!

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