

World Language Meets 1:1

How blended learning enhances classroom instruction

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Goals for this session

- Leave knowing how to set-up and manage available online tools and services to enhance student performance both in and outside of the classroom.
- Understand how using a Learning Management System and other digital tools can benefit your world language classroom.

StudySpanish.com

Features:

- Both free and paid versions
- Great grammar review notes and activities.
- Verb drills generate unique practice quizzes for instant feedback.
- Can create classrooms to organize and monitor students' progress.

Classroom uses:

- Assign Basic Quizzes in relevant grammar points as self-graded homework.
- Recommend as study tool for grammar points and verb conjugations.

Duolingo for schools

Features	Classroom uses
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Personalized learning● Pronunciation feedback● Listening practice● Student-set goals● Email and app reminders● Create classrooms to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monitor student progress○ Create assignments and easily check completion.○ Restrict access to forums.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Assign long range or short range assignments.● Easy silent activity for early finishers.● Whole class activities available for projector.● Available both on app and through browser, even on iPads.

Links for you to try these yourself!

1. **Study Spanish** = <http://bit.ly/2c85tzY>
 - a. **Teacher sign up** = <http://bit.ly/2c86JTL>
 - b. **Teacher guide** = <http://bit.ly/2c86dW6>

2. **Duolingo for Schools** = <http://bit.ly/2c86Pek>
 - a. **Info section** = <http://bit.ly/2c85QLo>

Quizlet

- Free!* (<http://bit.ly/29wWc3f>)
- All content areas
- Independent & collaborative practice
- Easy to create
- Add images/voice recordings
- Trackable practice, review, & quick checks

Kahoot

- Free!
- All content areas
- In-class participation and individual practice
- Easy to create
- Many public games
- Customizable: add images, gifs & videos
- Quick checks & brain breaks

Quizlet and Kahoot

Best uses

- Opening and closing activities
- Comprehension checks following notes/presentations
- Brain breaks
- Teaser intros to new information
- Individual practice and review
- When you have a few free minutes

Ineffective uses

- Summative assessments
- Major graded assignments
- Work requiring critical thought and reflection*
- Overuse (too much of a good thing)

*An exception being when students create their own Kahoots/Quizlet sets.



Links for you to try these yourself!

1. Kahoot = <https://create.kahoot.it/>
 - a. Kahoot Teacher Resources = <http://bit.ly/2a6G2hB>
 - b. LOTS of Kahoot Tips and Tutorials = <http://bit.ly/29vnESP>
2. Quizlet = <https://quizlet.com/>
 - a. Quizlet Quickstart Guide = <http://bit.ly/29zwtWw>
 - b. Sign up for Quizlet Teacher **(20% discount!)** = <http://bit.ly/29wWc3f>

Nearpod



- Easy to use
- Free (basic features) and paid (more advanced features) options available
- Engage your students
- Create lessons or choose from existing lessons (also free and paid options)
- Interactive
- Provide differentiation
- Flip your classroom with Homework mode
- Gain insight to their learning with Reports feature

Canvas

- A very useful and effective LMS for a foreign language classroom
- Canvas features useful in my Spanish I classroom include:
 - Learning Modules (replacing units of a textbook)
 - Daily Agendas with objectives
 - Links to videos/slides
 - Digital assignments
 - Audio assignments
 - Discussions
 - Quizzes with automatic feedback
 - Gradebook/Learning Mastery Gradebook
 - Rubrics

The screenshot displays the Canvas LMS interface for Bishop Chatard High School. The main content area features a 'Bienvenidos' banner, the course title 'Español I Honores 2016-17', the instructor's name 'Señora Hasbrook', and a 'Link to Modules' button. Below this, the 'Unit 1:' section is highlighted, with a grid of buttons for 'Vocabulario 1.1', 'Vocabulario 1.2', 'Vocabulario 1.3', 'Gramática 1.1', 'Gramática 1.2', 'Gramática 1.3', 'Cultura 1.1', 'Cultura 1.2', and 'Cultura 1.3'. The left sidebar provides navigation for various course elements such as Assignments, Announcements, Discussions, People, Account, Dashboard, Courses, Calendar, Inbox, and Help.

MakeBeliefs.com

- <http://www.makebeliefscomix.com>
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- Exit cards
- Engaging characters
- Email/Print/Picture and Upload
- Printables
- Teacher section

Uses:

- Create dialogue
- Finish teacher initiated dialogue
- Rewrite in a different tense
- Summarize a chapter
- Practice a grammar point
- Less intimidating form of writing

Storybird- Create stories/books online

- Create a story www.storybird.com
- Set up class and assignments
<http://storybird.com/books/crear-el-cuento/?token=ct7227jkau>
- Private showing for parents/password protected
- Artwork is provided
- 3 different formats
- Share, publish online, print, keep private
- Example: <http://storybird.com/books/kevin-el-canguro/?token=funuxtjg6t>
- Longer writing projects

Closing Slide

Which digital learning tool can you see yourself using in your classroom? How would you use this tool? What would be a good lesson you could teach through the use of this digital learning tool?

