Rethinking Formative Assessment

Digital Tools to Engage and Assess Students

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Carlos Rosario International Public Charter School

- Washington, DC
- 2000+ students
- Adult immigrants
- GED, citizenship, workforce, and ESL
Teachers will be able to:

- Define formative assessment
- List 8 online tools to use to evaluate students
- Experiment with 8 online tools
- Plan how to use online tools in your classroom
What is formative assessment?

Carnegie Mellon University

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<th>Formative Assessment</th>
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<td>● Low stakes</td>
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<td>● Monitor student learning</td>
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<td>● Provide ongoing feedback</td>
<td>● Compare results against a goal score or benchmark</td>
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<td>● Throughout semester/course</td>
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“When the cook tastes the soup, that's formative; when the guests taste the soup, that's summative.”

http://www.cmu.edu/teaching/assessment/basics/formative-summative.html
Why use digital tools?

- Common Core Anchor Standard 6: Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.
Why use digital tools?

- Instant feedback
- Personalized
- Higher level of motivation/engagement
- Students who are timid have a “safe” place to respond to evaluations without being called out
Keep in mind...
Our Backchannel

- todaysmeet.com/OSSE
- Post questions or comments as we go...leave your email if you would like us to answer a question later
Todaysmeet.com

- Closed backchannel; only those with url can access
- Allows reluctant students to participate
- Allows for active, participatory learning
- Exit tickets, checking comprehension
Polleverywhere.com

- Smartphones not necessary
- Before, during, after a lesson
- Multiple choice
- Text wall
- Word clouds

Let’s try it!
Padlet.com

- No account/signing in necessary
- Can generate your own URL
- Personalize the wall
- Exit tickets, check comprehension
- Example
How would you use padlet in the classroom?

padlet.com/teacherlindseyc/assess

Ideas for Padlet in the classroom
Kahoot (getkahoot.com)

- Student response system → Game
- Fun and engaging
- Instant feedback
- Smartphone or computer

kahoot.it
Flubaroo!

Remember when this used to be your Sunday night?

Hey girl, I brought home your favorite wine because I know you’ve got a lot of papers to grade.
Flubaroo!

- Create self-graded assessments that can be scored instantly
- Use the add-on Flubaroo
- Automatically identify target students/areas
- Let’s try it: goo.gl/thhh6l
- Must have Google Account
Blogger

- Like the G+ Community, permanence → more engagement (ownership + value added) in the product
- Shows growth over time
- Even lower-skilled technology users can post!
Blog Examples--High Beginning

lodlofa.blogspot.com
marvinsalazar095.blogspot.com
adanreportfolio.blogspot.com
emmanuelporfolio.blogspot.com
level2spring15.blogspot.com
What if my students don’t have access to technology in the classroom???
Plickers

● Quick checks for understanding
● Engages all students
● Integrates seamlessly
● Gives teacher quick access to student data
This number indicates how many students’ responses have been scanned.

Students’ names color-code to indicate their answer.

You can see students’ names flash as Plickers records their responses.
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Hey Girl, I saw how you rearranged your plans after that formative assessment. Your re-teaching will be so much more meaningful now.