

ABOUT NEARPOD

Nearpod is a platform that lets teachers create and deliver interactive lessons, videos, and activities to students in any learning environment. Students can join a lesson, teachers can get real-time feedback, and administrators can access thousands of resources and integrations. Key steps include:

- Activating the <u>free account</u>: 100MB / 40 students / core features only.
- Students join the discussion via a topic code that you send out when configuring the topic.

ACTIVATING YOUR FLIPGRID ACCOUNT

- 1. Go to **Nearpod.com** and click on Signup for Free
- 2. Select **Google** or Microsoft Account and follow the prompts.

GENERAL OVERVIEW

LEFT PANEL

- My Materials section: Includes your lessons, profile settings, and reports.
- **Shared Libraries**: School Library. Lists the lessons shared within your school among the teachers.
- Nearpod Content: Nearpod Library. Lists a variety of lessons searchable by grade, type, content, publisher and includes premium content options.
- Teacher Resources: Guides and resources for teachers on how to use NearPod.

Top Panel:

- Join a Lesson: Enter a lesson code to join it.
- Search: Search your lessons or all the libraries.
- Create: Lessons, videos by combining them, activities, Google Slides lessons.
- Quick Launch: Launch activities without slides or lessons and use open ended questions, draw and share it with your students.
- Account Settings:
 - a. Lesson settings:
 - a. Autofill student names
 - b. Immersive reader: Enables text-to-speech.
 - c. Require student responses and prevent skipping.

USING EXISTING LESSONS

- Click on Nearpod Library option on the left.
- 2. Search by grade, subject, content type or publisher, etc.
- 3. E.g. **Subjects** > **Science and Technology** > Al in Schools
- 4. Preview the lesson. If you like it, click on **Add to my Lessons.**

5. **Edit the lesson** as necessary, making it yours.

MODIFYING LESSONS

- Imported lessons will show up under My Lessons.
- To preview the lesson, hold the mouse on the lesson and click on "Preview Lesson".
- 3. To modify the lesson, click on **Edit** and make the changes.

PRESENTING LESSONS

- Locate your lesson.
- 2. Click on **Teach** after hovering the mouse on the lesson.
- 3. Select Live Participation or Student-Paced.
- 4. Send the link to the students via email, SMS, Google Classroom or Teams.
- 5. Students go to http://join.nearpod.com and enter the code.
- 6. Students sign with Google, Microsoft etc.
- 7. Advance the slides using the controls on the left and right of your lesson as the instructor and the content will advance on all participants' displays.
- 8. Note that for feedback questions, there is also a student view on the top right to view student responses live.
- 9. Note the tools on the bottom bar when presenting your lesson such as the preview of the lesson components, participants.
- 10. To end the lesson, click on **Menu** on the top left and select **End Session**.

LESSON REPORTS

View detailed reports of student engagement and activity from your users' Nearpod sessions.

- 1. Click on **Reports** on the left panel.
- 2. Click on the Lesson and select a particular session.
- Navigate through the subtabs such as Summary, Activity Reports and Student Reports.
- 4. Note the options on the top right where you can Download and Email reports.

CREATING NEW LESSONS FROM SCRATCH

- 1. Click on **Create** and select one of the types of activities such as Lesson.
- 2. Click Add Content and Activities option.
- 3. Select the type of activity noting the description and directions on the right panel.

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