

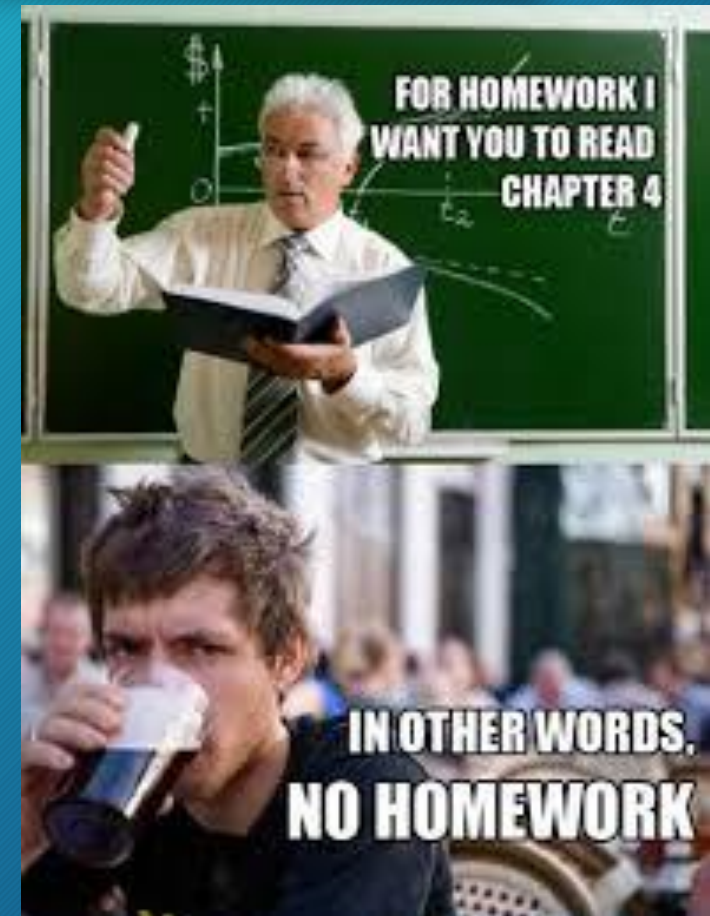
Interactive Texts for Active Learning

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Instructor Concerns Re: Assigned Reading

- Sound familiar? →
- How do I know *if* my students read or *what* they understood?
- How do I get the most out of class discussion, not knowing what my students do or do not already know?



Wouldn't it be great to...

- Reveal more about the text to improve my students' reading experience?
- Quickly assess what they understood to open up more time for discussion?
- Increase student responsibility and engagement?



“Actively Learn” in Overview

- Online digital literacy platform
- Main feature: creating interactive texts
 - Start with a reading
 - Add infographics, pictures, links, comments
 - Embed gradable questions (automated or manual)



Actively Learn

“Actively Learn” in Overview

- Ideal for:
 - Online and hybrid courses
 - Any course with a focus on critical reading
- Free version for instructors and students
 - Limitation: 3 text imports a month
 - (But if you build your course ahead of time...)

Examples

4th semester Spanish - students watch a film. I want them to engage with the dialog. But how?

Quiz on Actively Learn. They read script excerpts, with my notes on the side.

-- Venga a nosotros tu reino y hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día y perdona nuestras ofensas como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos de todo el mal. Dios te salve María, llena eres de Gracia. El señor está contigo. Bendita eres entre todas las mujeres y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre Jesús.

QUESTION 1 NO STANDARD

¿Cuál es un ejemplo del presente de subjuntivo?

- El señor está contigo -- The Lord is with you
- Venga tu reino -- (may) your kingdom come
- Perdona nuestras ofensas -- forgive our transgressions

La casa:

-- Esa bala que mató a Angelita pudo haber sido de la guerrilla. ¿Desde cuándo estás metido en esto?

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This is "El Padrenuestro" - The "Our Father" or "Lord's Prayer" as it is known in some churches.

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This is the "Ave María" - a very important prayer in the Catholic church.

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Examples

- I can include links - to pictures, pronunciations of difficult words, conjugation charts, Wikipedia articles, etc.
- They answer the questions and I transfer their score to d2L

The screenshot shows a mobile application interface for a video lesson. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for back, text-to-speech, user profile, editing, and search. The title is "Video 8 Guión- SPA 232" with "GRADE" and "ASSIGN" buttons. The main content is a transcript of a video. A context menu is open over the text "Ponme atención.", offering options: "Insert question", "Insert note", "Insert link", and "Whiteout". Below the transcript, a question is displayed: "QUESTION 7 NO STANDARD ¿Cuál de las frases anteriores es graciosa (chistosa) en su contexto?". Three multiple-choice options are listed: "No te voy a mentir", "Es la más bonita de todas", and "Sólo una". The third option is selected. At the bottom, there is a question: "¿Me entiendes? Tal vez esto te ayude a entender".

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-- ¿Tienes novia?
-- Solo una
-- ¿Sólo una? . . . ¿Cómo se llama?
-- Cristina María. Es la hija de la maestra nueva. Es la más bonita de todas.
-- Mira Chavita, ven. Mira lo que te voy a decir es muy importante. Ponme atención. Lo que pasó con Angelita son cosas que pasan. Y voy a mentir diciendo que todo esto va a mejorar, porque se va a poner peor antes o después.

Insert question
Insert note
Insert link
Whiteout

QUESTION 7 NO STANDARD

¿Cuál de las frases anteriores es graciosa (chistosa) en su contexto?

"No te voy a mentir"
 "Es la más bonita de todas"
 "Sólo una"

¿Me entiendes? Tal vez esto te ayude a entender

Of Additional Interest

- Primary-secondary teachers can search for existing content based on
 - Grade levels
 - Lexile levels
 - Standards
 - Subjects



Easy Process: No Need to Be a Techie!

- 1. Create a free account
- 2. Create a class and share the code with students
- 3. Upload your texts and edit them
- 4. Assign
- 5. View grades and transfer



Questions?