PLICKERS
A Fabulous App for the Classroom

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Minds in Bloom

What do you get when you cross response clickers with QR Codes?

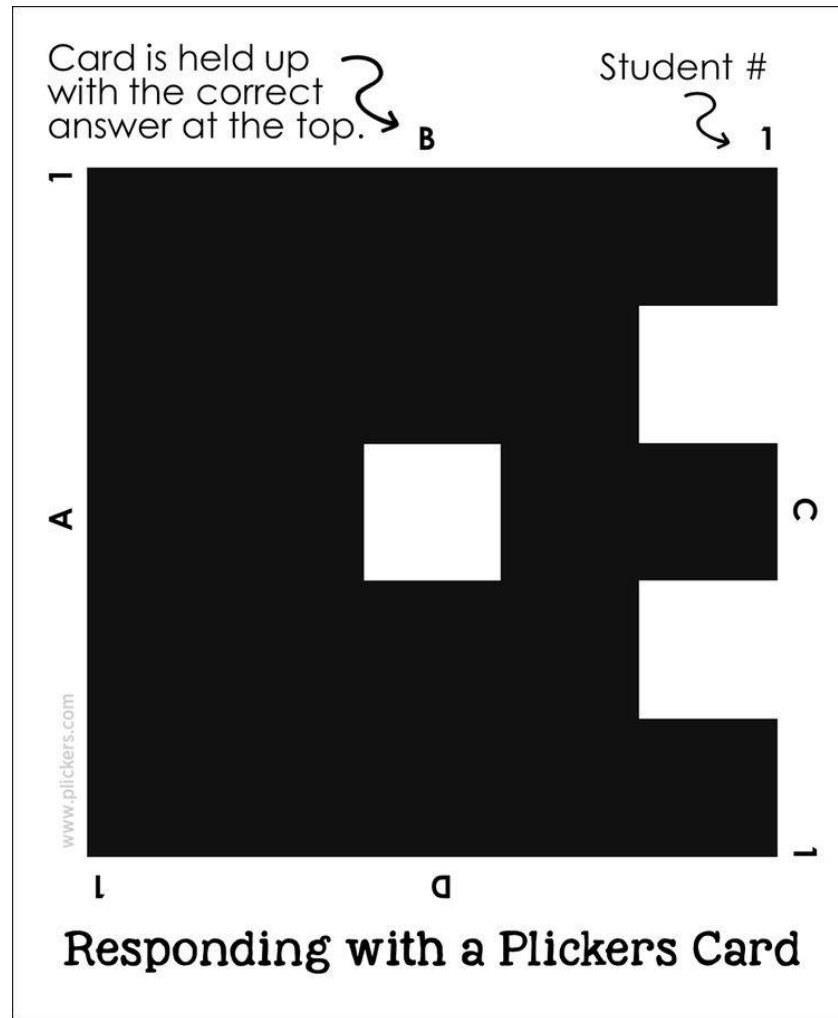Wait for it...

PLICKERS!

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Plickers 101

Plickers is a powerful, timesaving tool that provides teachers with instant formative or summative assessment in an objective fashion. Students simply turn their card to the letter A, B, C, or D while the teacher uses the quick-to-launch Plickers app to *simultaneously* scan the cards through the lens of his or her smartphone camera. Instantly, the students' answers load right to the screen! Recording answers of an entire class takes mere seconds, and the cards can be scanned from almost anywhere in the room!

The online component of Plickers is simple yet powerful, just like the app. Click on *Live View* to load student answers to your computer in real time. If you have an interactive whiteboard or projector, you can allow your class to see their answers in real time. You can even hide what students answered until all of the students have finished. The online component also allows you to create questions, view previous poll results, or browse the help menu to find an answer to your question.

Think of the unique square pattern as a sort of "fingerprint" the Plickers software uses to identify each student when the cards are scanned. The number on each side is the number assigned to the student in the system. As you can see, each side displays a different letter of the alphabet (A-D), and these letters represent the multiple choice answers. Students respond to Plickers questions by holding up their cards and rotating them so that the correct answer is at the top. The teacher scans the cards all at once by pointing the camera on a mobile device towards the class and sweeping it around the room. As the system recognizes each card, the results are displayed instantly on the teacher's mobile device.

Card is held up with the correct answer at the top. B

Student # 1

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Responding with a Plickers Card

Ready to run and get it? Here's why...

Instant Questions: Ask a multiple-choice or true/false question and instantly get class feedback.

Voting: Gone are the days of tallying raised hands and nobody can vote twice. If students change their minds by turning their cards, while still being scanned, their votes are instantly changed, too!

Standardized Testing Practice: Previously, I had students log into a student clicker on their iPad JUST to work on multiple choice questions for standardized testing.

Entrance and Exit Tickets: Need a quick way to check prior knowledge or lesson comprehension? It's as easy as asking a multiple-choice question.

Quizzes: Got a quiz that you want instantly graded? Plickers gives you the option of having a "right" answer for every question you create.

Checking In: After each rotation of language arts, students reflect and check in on their personal performance. Again, I scan their choice and see who is consistently giving their best and who feels like they are in a rut.