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# Using smart phones in an EFL classroom







## www.mentimeter.com

Code: 68 70 79 63















# Disadvantages



- Access
- Storage
- Training

Distraction

#### Addiction

- Cheating
- Concentration

- Laziness
- Lack of motivation

Privacy and safety



#### WHAT SHALL WE DO?

- Preparation , research
- Evaluation criteria (purpose, use, applicability, safety)
- Taking control (addiction management)
- Monitoring of the use in the classroom
- Frequency of use

It needs to stay academic!



# Practical uses





#### With the Internet

# Quick research, poll

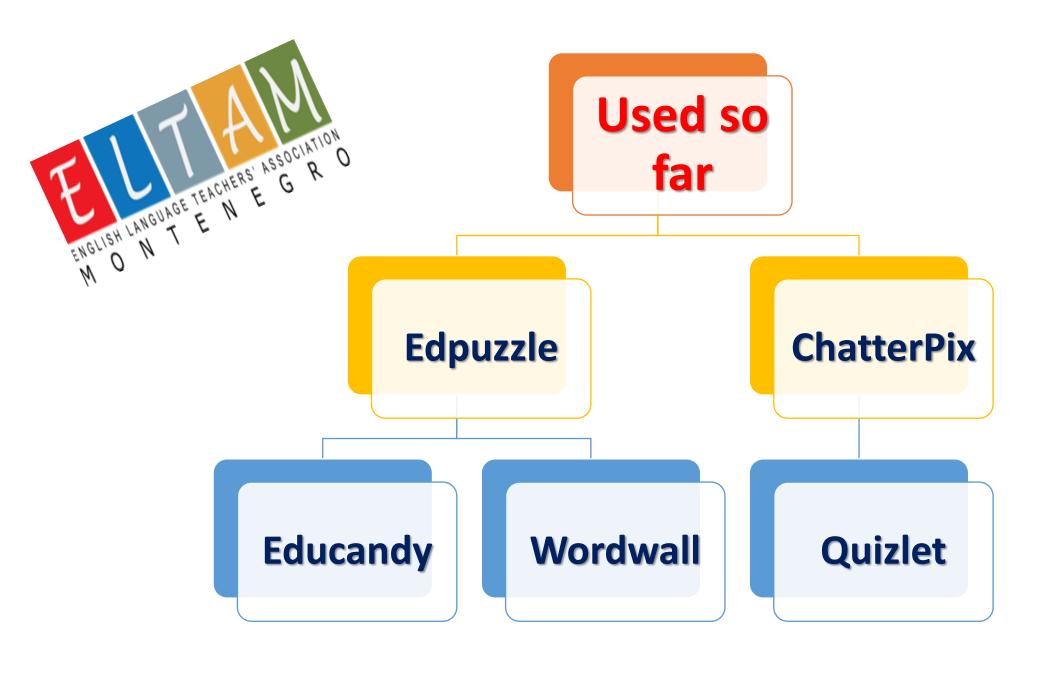
- Projects
- Crowdsourcing

#### Online apps

- Sharing materials, assignments
- Online resources

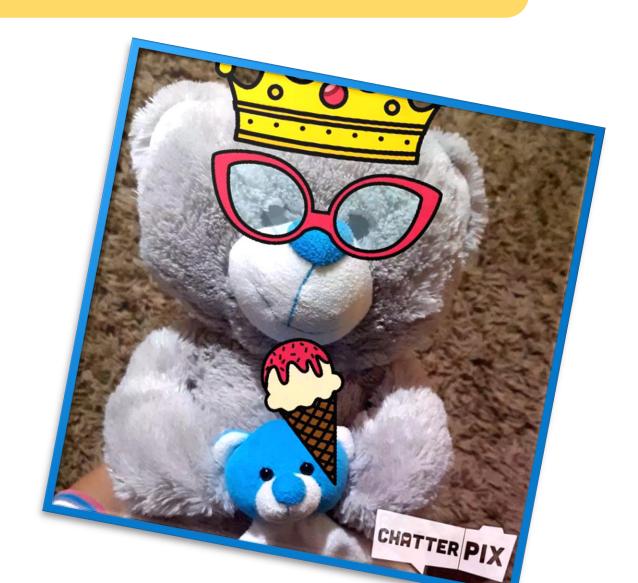
#### Communication

- Various platforms
- Chats, comments, blogs
- Social networks

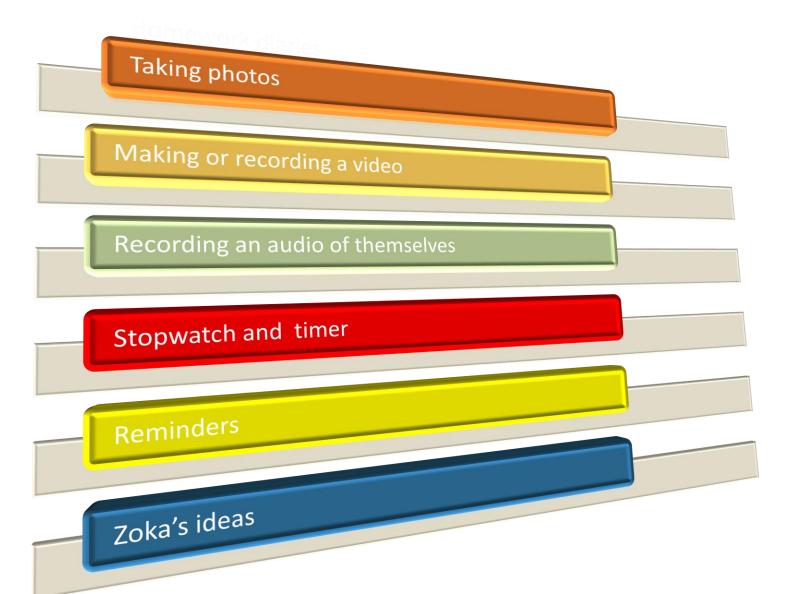


### WHAT THEY HAVE DONE





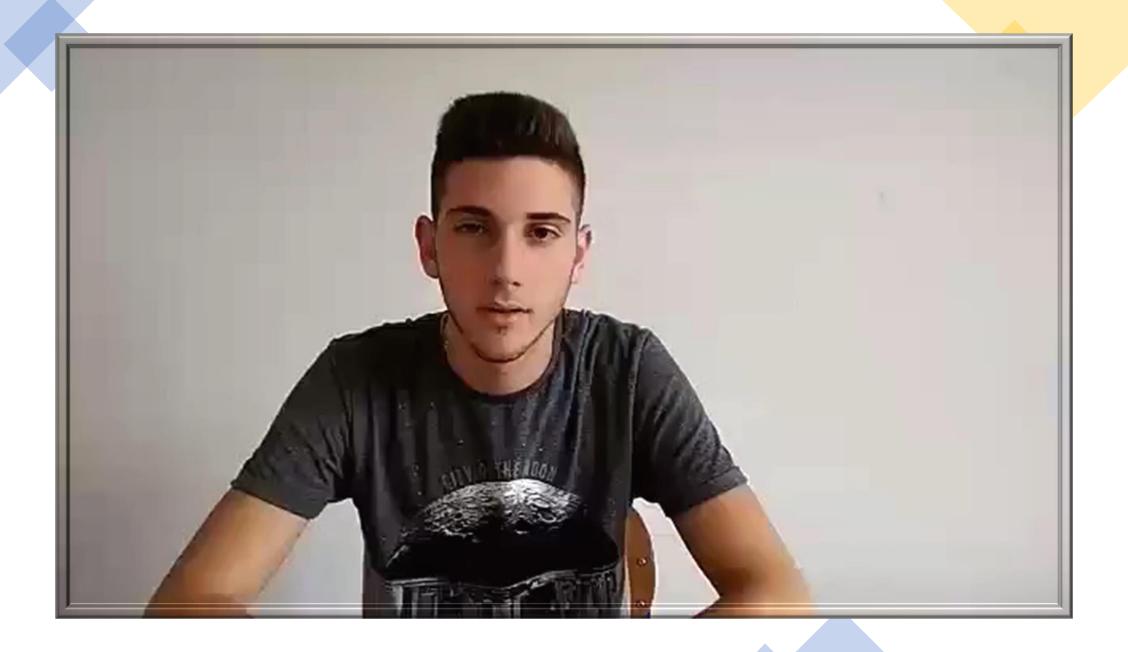
## Without the Internet







# Sophie's world Video made for the Zoom session













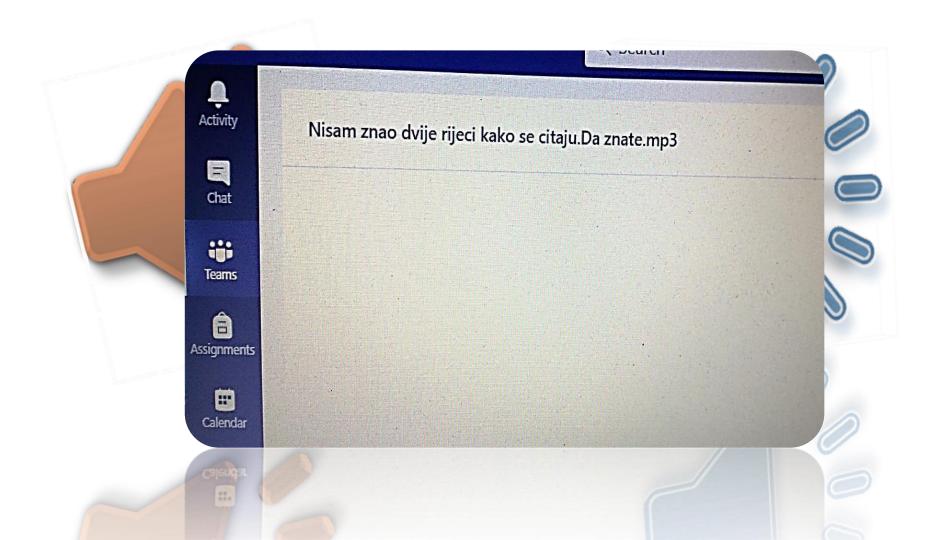


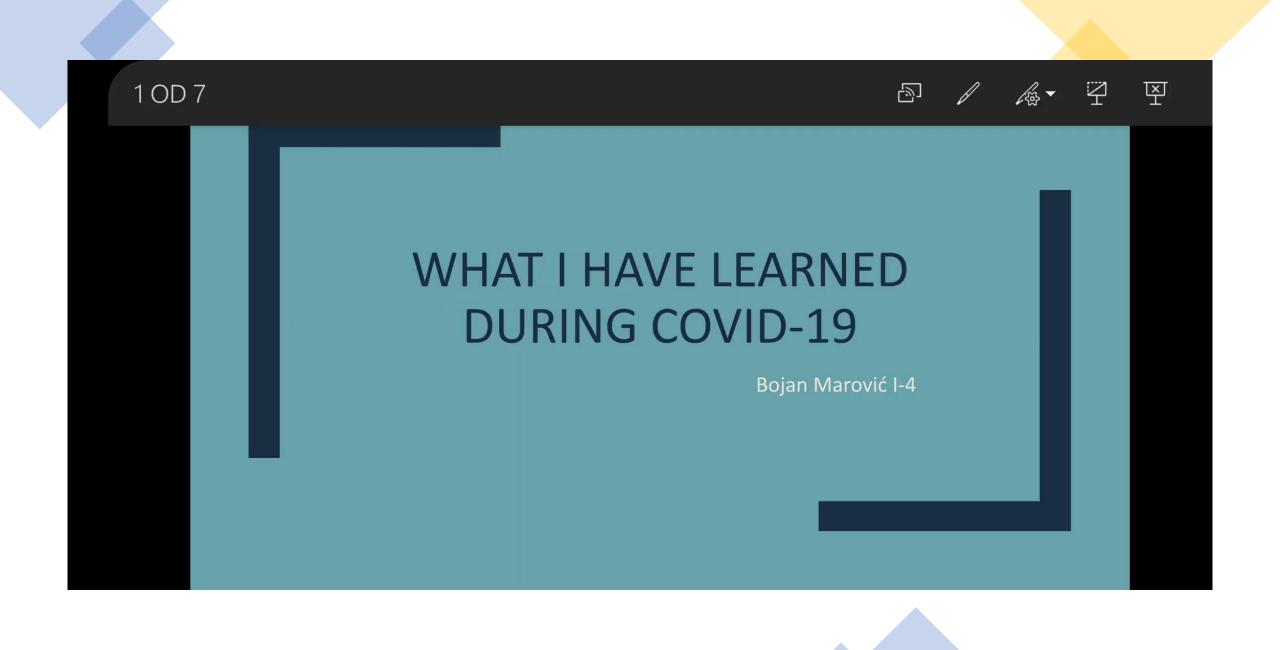
### Photos from their gallery

- A pet
- A selfie
- A photo of nature
- A family photo
- A photo of the best friend
- Group selfie

- Where is this taken?
- Who is in the photo?
- What do you like this photo?
- Why is it important to you? etc.

# Audio recorder





# Use the smartphone as realia!



• A smart phone auction — Bring an inexpensive smart phone for students (for one, a pair or a small group) to present the smart phone specifications and the rest of the class bids!



Different online or offline dictionaries

Video/audio recordings of your assignment instructions

Video chats

Classroom moments for the future

Voice/induced online or offline assistant





### BREAK THE ICE

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

BREAKING NEWS







- Text messages/notes via Bluetooth
- Recorded audio texts /dictation
- New/difficult vocabulary
- Online group/platform/chat
- Comments, summaries, reports, stories, poems, discussions
- Personal journaling/diaries
- Blogging/vlogging



### As much as possible!

Articles, news, stories, e-books, comments, twits

E-readers >Kindle, Nook

English phone settings

Assignment personalisation

## Games

Word with friends

https://studycat.com/

Wordscapes

Pictoword



#### WRAP UP!



- Encourage students to take control over their own learning
- Channel their interests into educational purposes
- Strengthen their literacy in English
- Making it really interesting for the students
- Fuelling the student-centred approach
- Environment-friendly (less paper materials, less copying, more storage space)
- Teacher-friendly (less preparation and more effect)

#### **USEFUL LINKS**

https://www.ecml.at/Resources/InventoryofICTtools

www.esl.culips.com

www.penzu.com

www.microsoft.com

www.duolingo.com

www.learnenglish.britishcouncil.org

www.americanenglish.state.gov

www.lingro.com

www.voicethread.com





# DISCUSSION TIME!



THANK YOU FOR THE ATTENTION!