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Serious Games for Creativity and Social Cohesion in Teacher Education

When game enters the classroom: case studies

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.. a (1) bit of literature : Elearning vs Gaming

- Over the past few years, games have gone from social pariahs to the darlings of the media, technology, and now educational industries.
- E-learning educators stand to learn about building next-generation learning environments from games (Dalesio 2004).
- While..
 - usually online courses are "online course notes" -> games offer entire worlds to explore.
 - educators wonder if it is possible to create good online learning communities -> game designers create virtual societies with their own cultures, languages, political systems, and economies (Kolbert 2001).
 - completion rates for online courses reach 50% -> gamers spend many hours mastering games, writing lengthy texts, and teaching others to play games.
 - e-learning has a reputation for being dull and ineffective -> games have developed a reputation for being fun, engaging, and immersive, requiring deep thinking and complex problem solving (Gee 2003).

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.. a (2) bit of literature

- Teaching in now day requires active approaches that give students a prominent role and their educational experiences need to be useful and broadly applicable (Aibar-Almazán, Agustín, et al. 2024);
- the students should be given opportunities for interaction, cooperation, competition, etc. (Martínez, 2017);
 - these aspects are associated with improved motivation during the teaching-learning process (Rodríguez et al., 2019; Darling-Hammond et al., 2020);



New educational demands require new teaching strategies that can improve the dynamics of the learning process

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.. a (3) bit of literature

- Given emerging research on how video games and associated pedagogies work in designed settings (Shaffer 2005), it seems the important question is how we can use games effectively as educational tools;
 - The research initiatives focused on educational games suggests that computer and video games will have some part in education, just as all media before them have been used for learning.
 - the history of educational technology also suggests that educators will abandon media that do not fit the social organization of schooling (Cuban 1986).

.. a (4) bit of literature: Gamification

- **Gamification definition:** an educational strategy that adapts elements of game playing with the aim of improving the students' academic performance (Chen and Liang, 2022);
- Incorporating game-based elements can
 - increase attention and engagement (Licorish et al., 2018),
 - enhance motivation for working in groups
 - produce a more effective commitment to learning (Müller et al., 2015);
 - enhance the learning process (Johns, 2015; Kalu and Bwalya, 2017), with an impact on the students' grades and creation of a more satisfying educational experience (Ismail and Mohammad, 2017);

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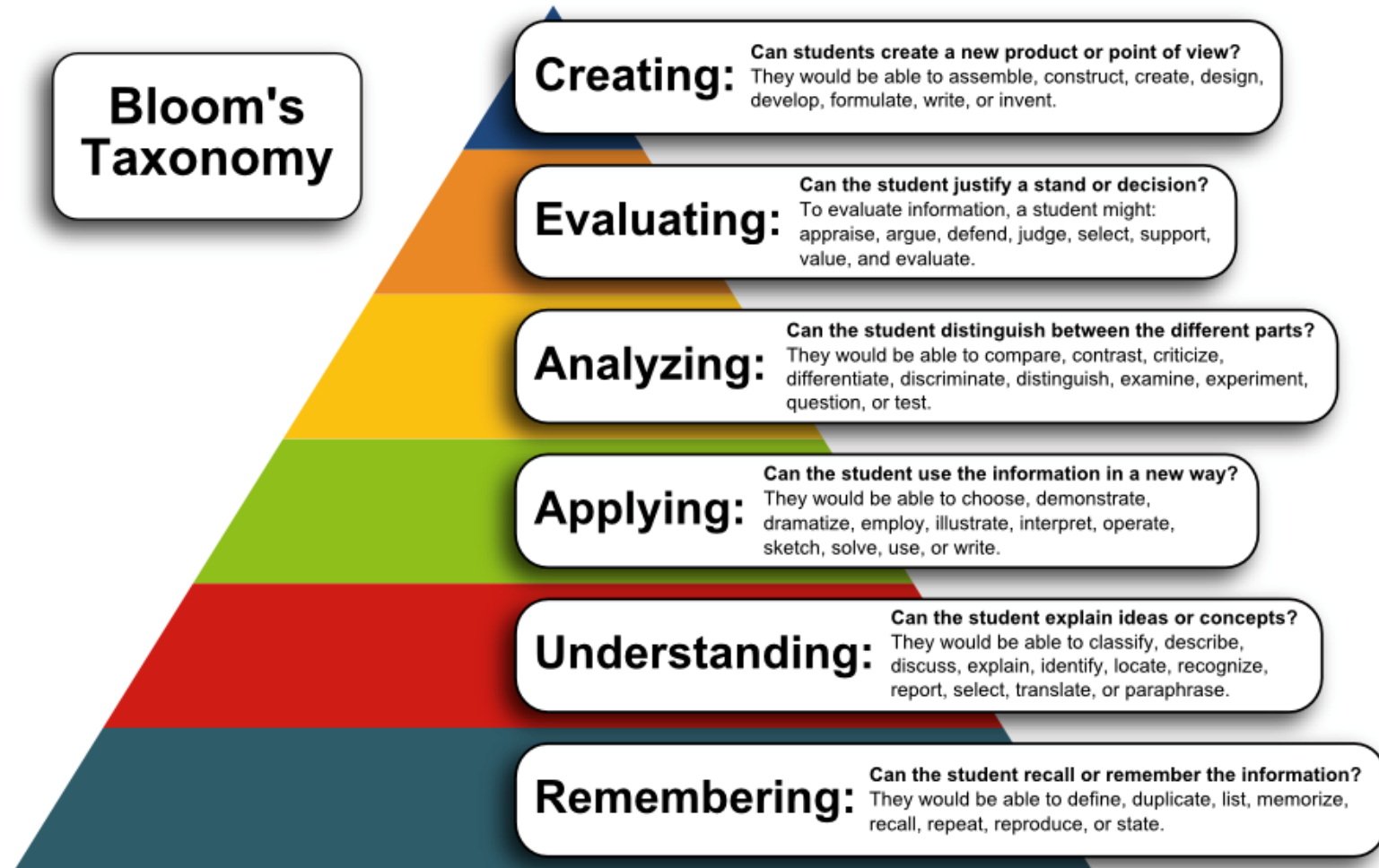
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2001..the last Bloom's Taxonomy

1. **Remembering:** Retrieving information from long-term memory.
2. **Understanding:** Comprehending the meaning of information.
3. **Applying:** Using knowledge in new situations.
4. **Analyzing:** Breaking down information into parts to understand its structure.
5. **Evaluating:** Judging the value of ideas or information.
6. **Creating:** Generating new ideas or products.



.. Last bit of literature - Games as a positive choice for the development of Bloom's Taxonomy

- the Serious Games has a capacity to improve the quality of the educational system, offering opportunities to maximize the students' potential (Sukajaya et al. 2015);
- Given the current commitment of educators, Games has been a positive choice for the development of Bloom's Taxonomy as it can promote reaching the highest levels of learning (Marley 2014).
 - the Serious Games based on Bloom's Taxonomy prepares professionals for complex and multidisciplinary work environments in a constantly changing world. (Nisula and Pekkola 2019)

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Example of *Gamification in the classroom: Kahoot!* as a tool for university teaching innovation

- **Experiment's Method:**

- n.3 groups differentiated by their time of exposure to the game (**0** min, **30** min, **60** min) per week;
- 73s-year students from a Bachelor's degree program in Physiotherapy.
- The theoretical content was taught during a period of 4 months, reinforced by use of the (Kahoot!) Online platform.
- Selective attention and concentration were evaluated using the d2 Test of Attention;
- Creative intelligence using the Creative Intelligence Test (CREA);
- Generic capabilities using the capabilities subscale of the Student Engagement Questionnaire (SEQ).

- **Results and Conclusion:**

- The study's participants had a mean age of 19.51 ± 0.9 years, and it has demonstrated that use of Kahoot! For longer periods of time, (i.e., more than 60 min per day) can improve essential skills in university students, such as attention, creativity, critical thinking, self-managed learning, adaptability, problem solving, and computer literacy.
- This study's results show that integrating Kahoot! into the educational environment produces benefits by stimulating various cognitive aspects and enhancing complex skills.
 - its use should be balanced with other educational activities in order to achieve comprehensive development for the students.

Learning while having fun: The Serious games

- Not all video games are developed with the goal of entertaining and entertaining the user:
 - the case of Serious Games whose purpose is to teach the player something, placing controllers/keyboard side by side with books and markers.
- Using video games to learn is an activity that which allow one to effectively experiment with what is known as **learning by doing**

Learning while having fun: The Serious games

- The video game is an excellent tool to take advantage of this form of learning because of its intuitive and playful characteristics.
 - the study as a form of competition with others that could keep task motivation levels higher;
 - the primary purpose of applied games is not to entertain, but this does not exclude the user from having fun using them.
- Are the serious games only those video games that are used in schools to teach certain concepts?
 - FALSE: the boundaries of applied games extend far beyond the school walls, to also result in learning attitudes and behaviors, enhancing mental skills, or raising awareness of socially relevant issues.

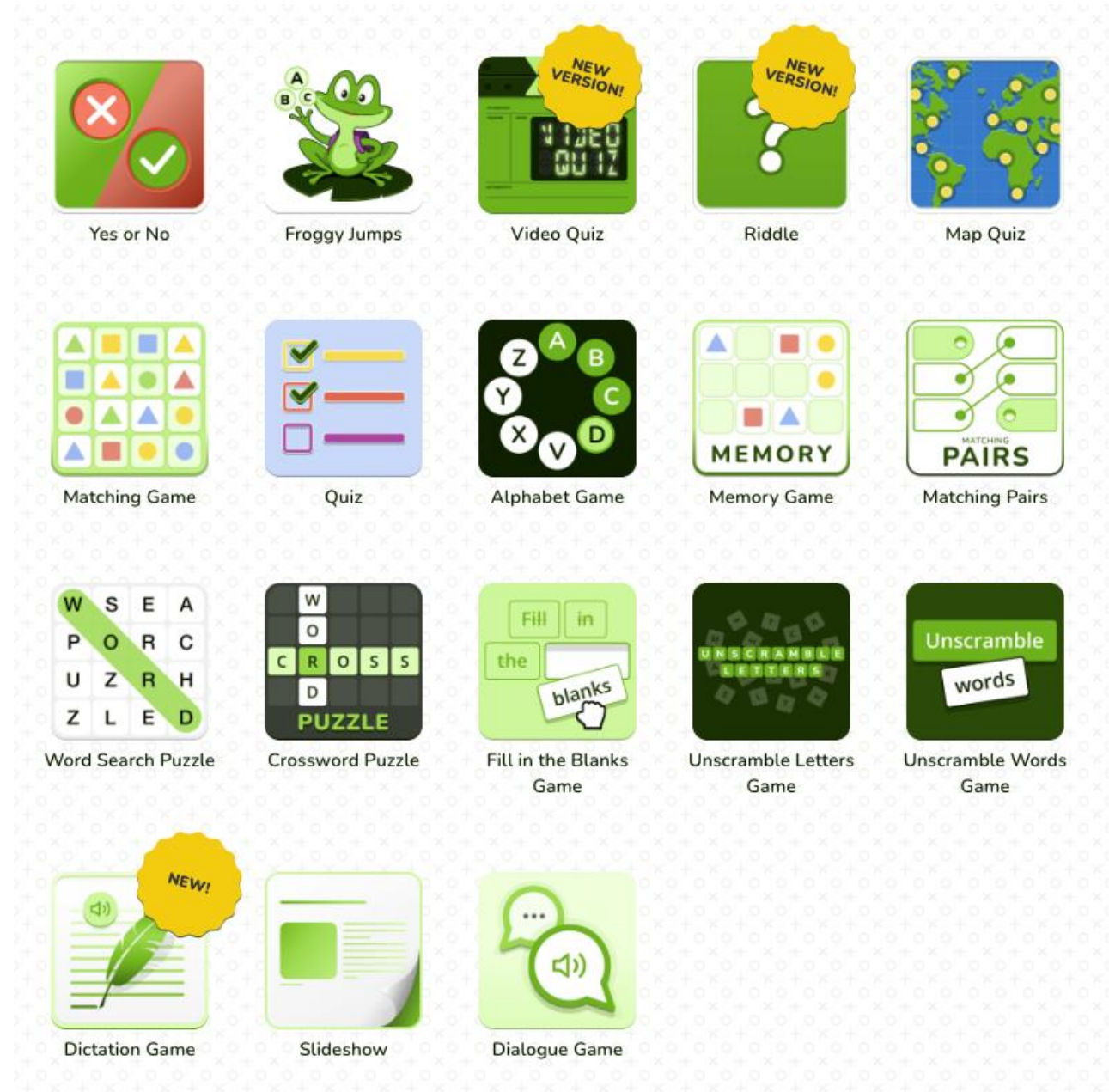
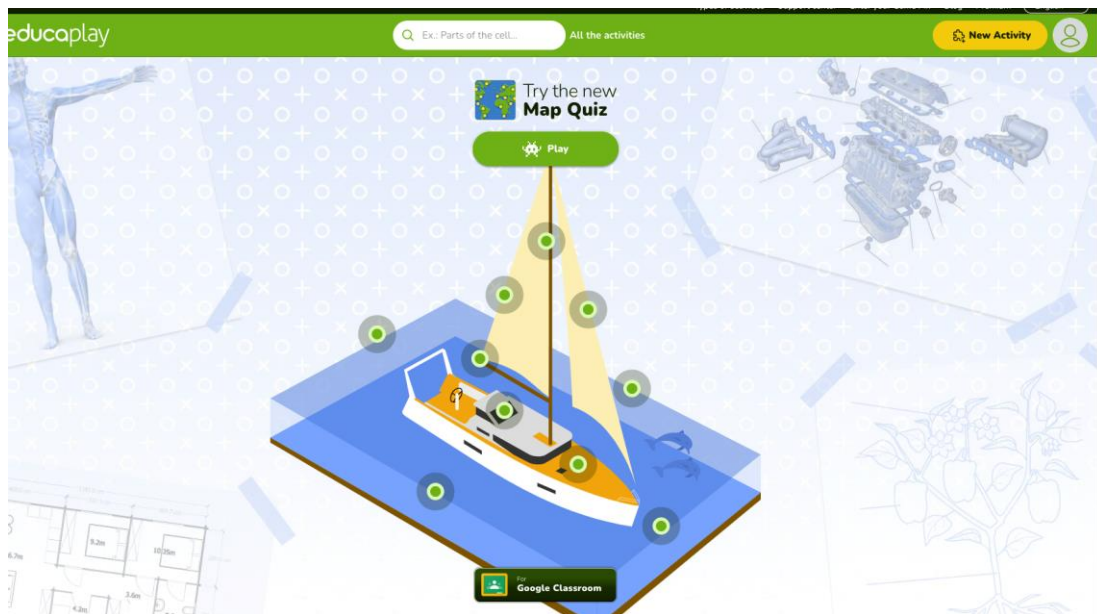
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Serious Games as 4 different categories (Barone 2019):

- **Didactic**
- **Learning**
- **Awareness raising**
- **Empowerment**



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- Link: <https://www.educaplay.com>
- Easy Classroom management
 - 18 Types of activities ->



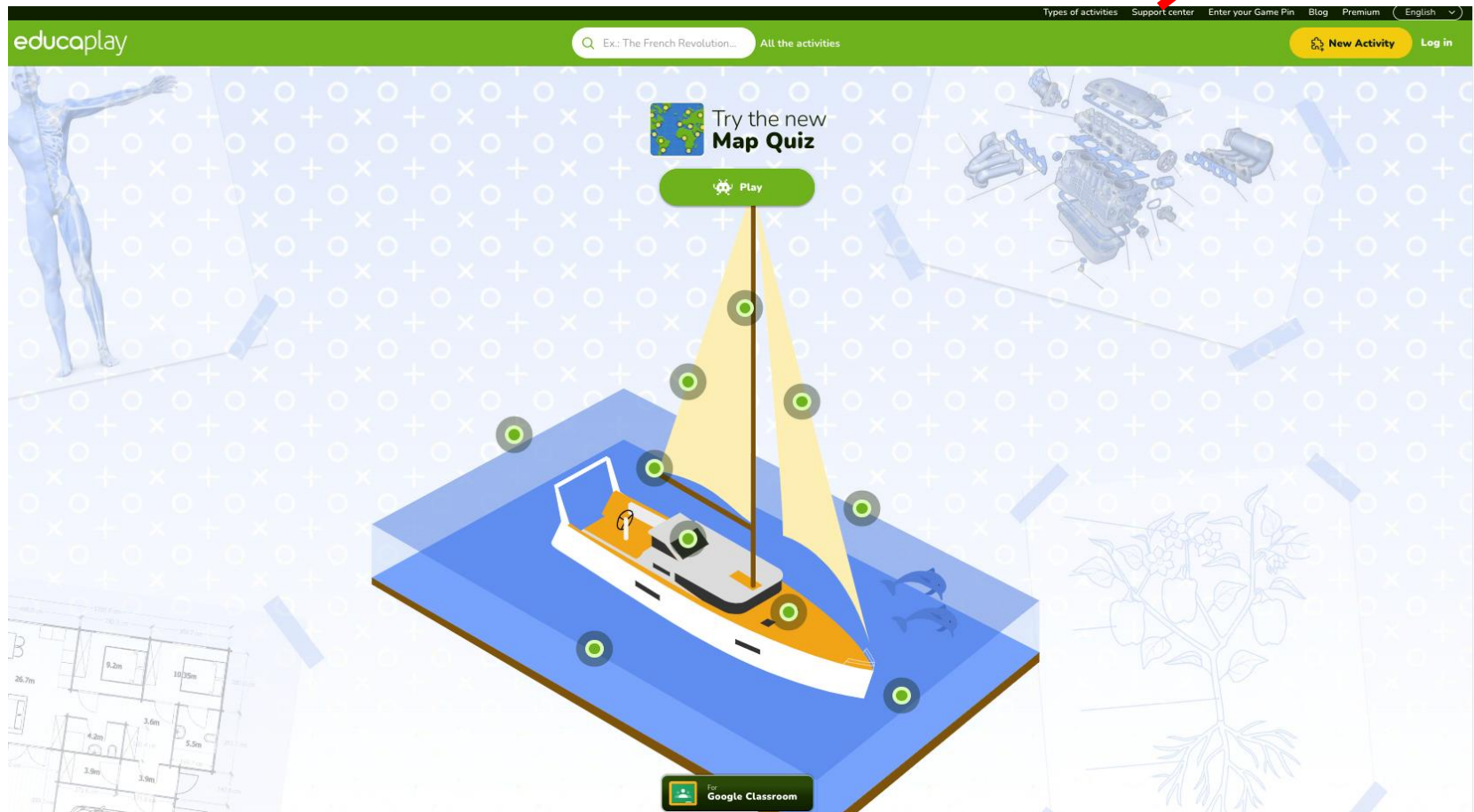


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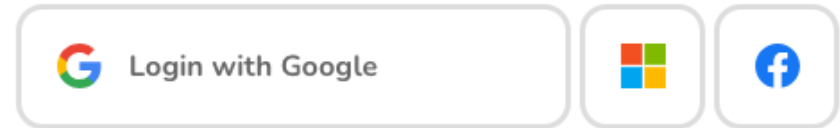


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Ray: AI Creator

New activity



Yes or No

Show cards with text and multimedia to be answered with Yes or No.



Froggy Jumps

Create a path of questions that Froggy Jumps crosses to get safely to shore.



Matching Game

Create cards with elements to be grouped.



Quiz

Create a quiz with text and multimedia files.



Alphabet Game

Create a circle of letters where each one corresponds to a word that they have to guess.



Memory Game

Place cards face down with your texts, audios and images to match them.



Matching Pairs

Generate two columns with text or multimedia elements to match them.

Hi, I'm Ray!



Give me a title and I'll create your Yes or No

I can also do it from a link or a piece of text. I'll get your game ready for you to "Publish" after changing whatever you want.

Try me now!

Example: "Chemical elements"



Don't show again

Not now

Tutorial Video

Create Yes or No



Learn to create activities with this Tutorial!



We explain how to create activities step by step through the Educaplay tutorials.



Watch tutorial

Make it with **Ray**, your automatic AI creator

Let's go!



Ray: AI Creator

some pre-packaged questions that can be modified

Cards

+ Add card

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1

A tree provides shade.



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2

A television is for entertainment.



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3

A table is used for dining.



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4

Tests are used in educational settings.



Cards

+ Add card

1

Card



A tree provides shade.



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Heading (optional)



Some Options

Options Yes or No

Lives

Set a maximum number of errors.



Time

Set a time to answer each card.



Shuffle cards

Cards will appear

Some Information

Information Yes or No

Language ⓘ

English



After Publish



Well done!

Your activity has been created successfully

See activity

You can [keep editing it](#) from [My activities](#), in your user panel.

What do you want to do?



Create a competition between a group of players with this activity

Create Challenge



Share the link to the activity or integrate it in other platforms

Share



Keep creating activities

Create activity

 Notifications

[\[→ Log out\]](#)



Delete

Create Challenge

CHALLENGE

Computer Science Challenge

Game Pin ?

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1 of 1 Activities

Next



Computer Science Challenge

Yes or No

Top 10 results

At the moment, no player has finished any of the activities of the challenge. As soon as there are results, they will be displayed here.

View full results and players



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Create a Challenge to share activities in group

[+ New challenge](#)

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Challenges https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bTttUuDe_xM

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