# It's All Fun & Games

#### Gamification in the Community College Classroom

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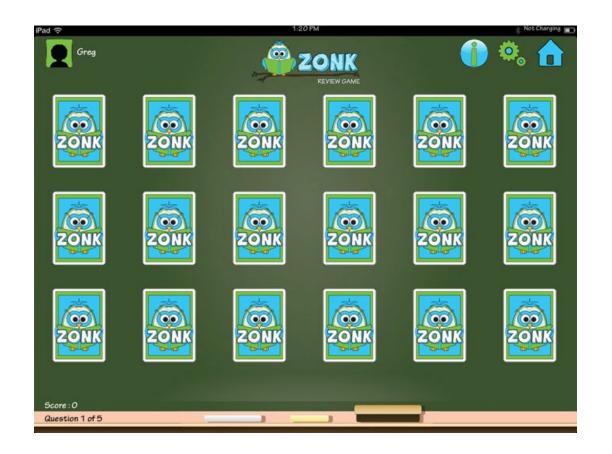
#### Background

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#### It's Media Lit: Don't Get Burned

## IT'S (MEDIA) LIT:

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#### Publish or Die! Publish or Die! PUBLISH OR DIE! PUBLISH OR DIE!

You've gotten an unpaid internship at a traditional newspaper. You and the rest of the newspaper staff are struggling to not only keep your newspaper from "folding" (closing) like so many other papers have in recent years, but also to keep society informed so that we can have a thriving democracy. Without you--journalists-democracy will die. You are going to have to be really good at what you do-connecting with your audience and ultimately making enough money to keep the publication going. And, of course, in addition to helping your paper out, you'd eventually love to become a top reporter and perhaps even editor in chief someday. Do you have what it takes? Let's find out!

To start with, wouldn't it be better to be a paid intern, rather than an unpaid one? You can level up (i.e. get a promotion) by showing up every day to "work" and being





#### What we will cover today:

- 1. The "why"
- 2. Simple gamification
- 3. The gamified course
- 4. Best practices
- 5. Challenges

#### Today's learning outcomes:

By the end of the webinar, you will have:

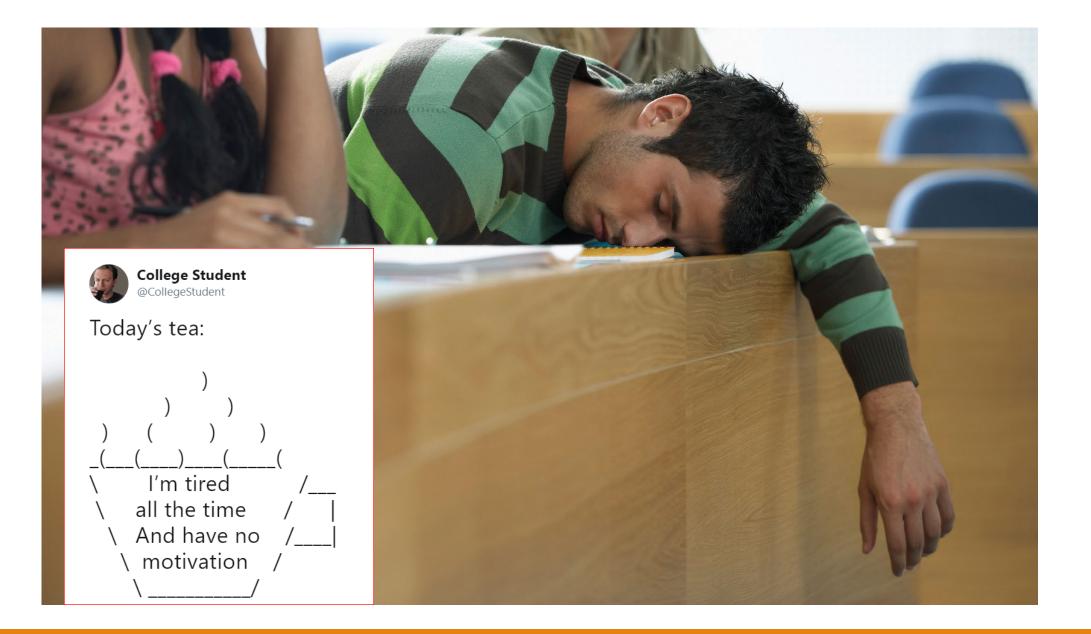
- 1. Ideas you can use tomorrow
- 2. Low-, medium, and high-tech tools
- 3. A strategy for building a semester-long game

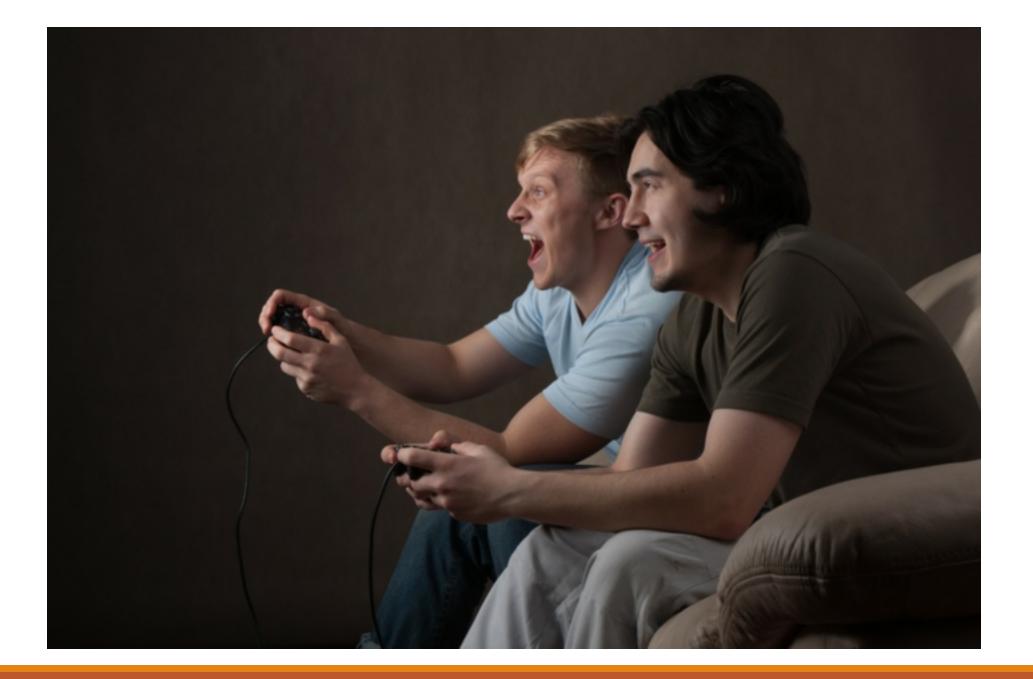
#### Your Turn

In the chatroom:

1. What do you teach?

2. To what extent do you include any game elements?





- □Know any gamers?
  - They spend lots of time.
  - They fail a lot but . . .
  - They keep at it.
  - They troubleshoot and explore constantly.
  - They have agency.
- I want this in my class, too!



- In pedagogical terms:
  - Retrieval practice
  - Formative assessment
  - Critical thinking skills
  - Mastery
- But there's more:
  - Bonding
  - Soft skills
  - Place for reluctant students



□We get benefits too:

- Complete creativity
- Flexibility
- Relief from grading

Fun

#### Over the holiday weekend

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50 XP Dear Nancy; I have attached my results from the Factual/ Opinion statements quiz in this file.	Wed	11:22 AM
another side quest Hi again Nancy, I forgot to put this in the last email but I did finish another quest. I completed the quiz		Q ✓ n 6:58 PM
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Easter Egg side quest Hi Nancy, I'm not sure if anyone has answered the easter egg side quest but the answer to the		Q ✓ Thu 2/14



Alex Gomez @AlexGom650 · 3 Oct 2018 E Oh you know, just with @olladarlene and @catlover941 doing a class challenge, good luck to the other teams #LITTimes #skylinejour #**publishordie** 





------Following Kila Chronicles defeats the Jblishordie boss!  $\bigcirc$ 

- Change your language.
  - Test, exam, quiz
  - Review, study session
  - Exercise
  - Homework, extra credit
  - Small-group work
  - All-class discussion
  - Lecture

Gaming language		
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Win	Collect	
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Secret	Storyline	
Badges		

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Mission

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- Power ups
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How could you rename one assignment, exercise, activity, etc., using the words here.

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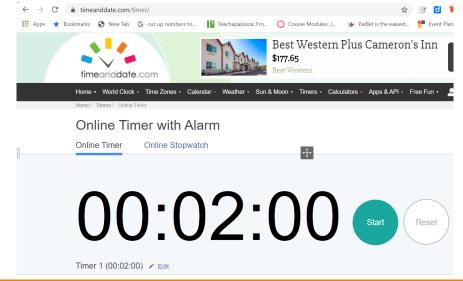
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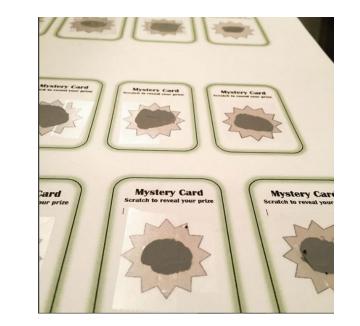
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- Stickers/post-its



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#### Scavenger Hunt—Getting to Know Your Campus

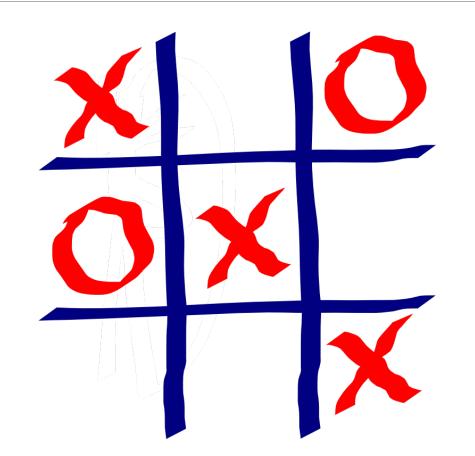
First team that makes it back with the biggest number and quality of items <u>before</u> the deadline wins. <u>If you miss the deadline, you are disqualified</u>. Don't miss your deadline!

- Door card for SMCCCD Instructor Teeka James (This can be a photo.)

   Also, what does she do for the faculty outside of being a teacher?
- 2. What is the name of our new Vice President of Student Instruction? Write it here:
- 3. Copy of the latest Skyline Shines. (This can be a photo.)
- 4. An item from each of the following buildings on campus that <u>proves</u> you were there: Buildings 2, 4 and 6 (my discretion, so make it good—this must be a physical/hard copy item.)
- 5. A digital photo of the door of the room where <u>Academic Senate</u> holds its meetings. (Make sure you know what Academic Senate is.)
- 6. A digital photo of the door of the Disability Resource Center. (Please do not bother the staff assistant(s) in there.)
- 7. The first page of the agenda (not the meeting notes) for the most recent

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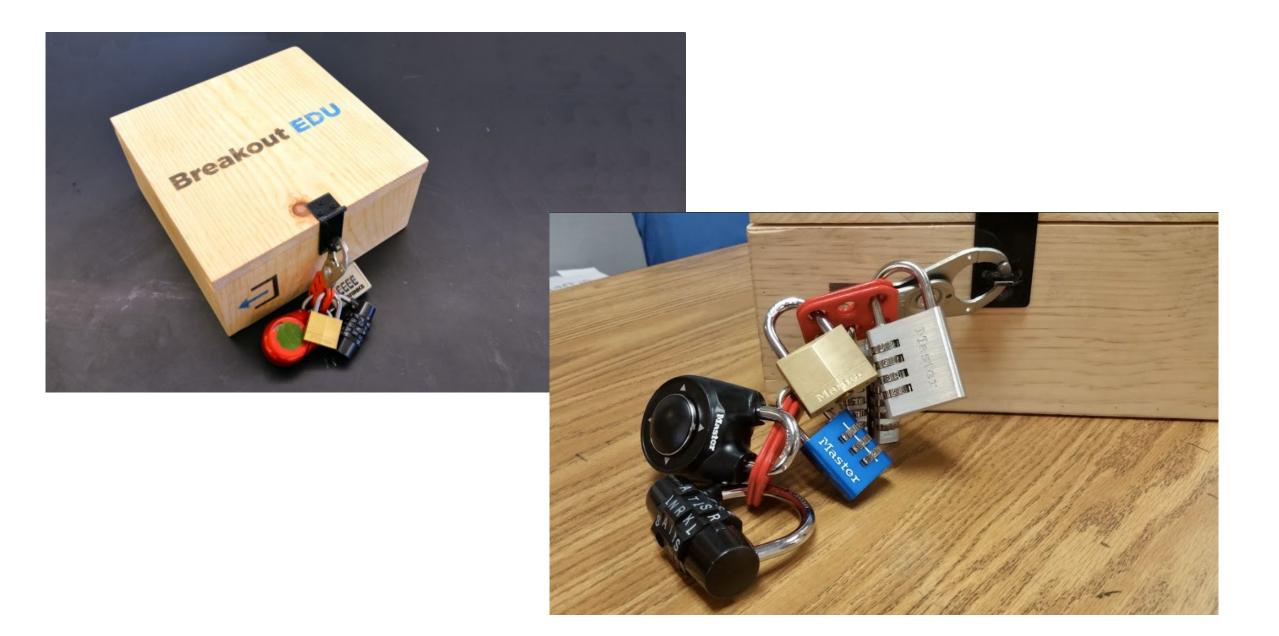


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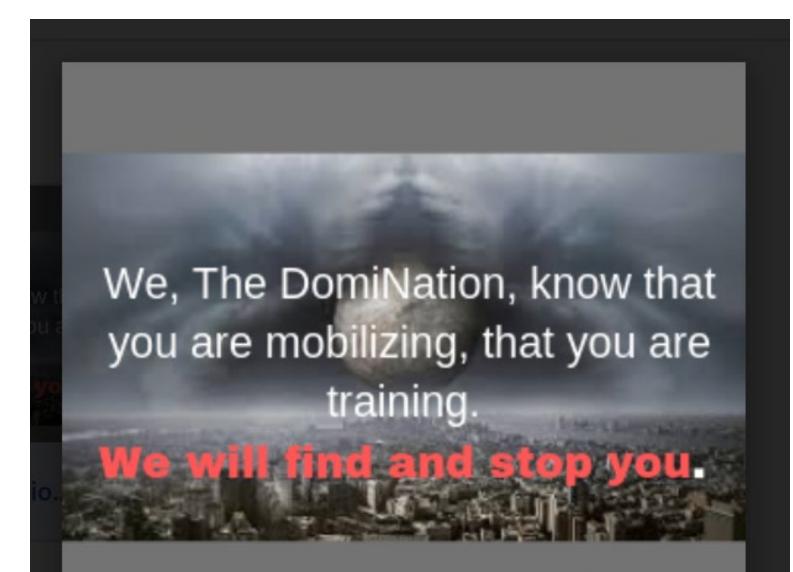
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Let you trainer know you found this for 50 XP.

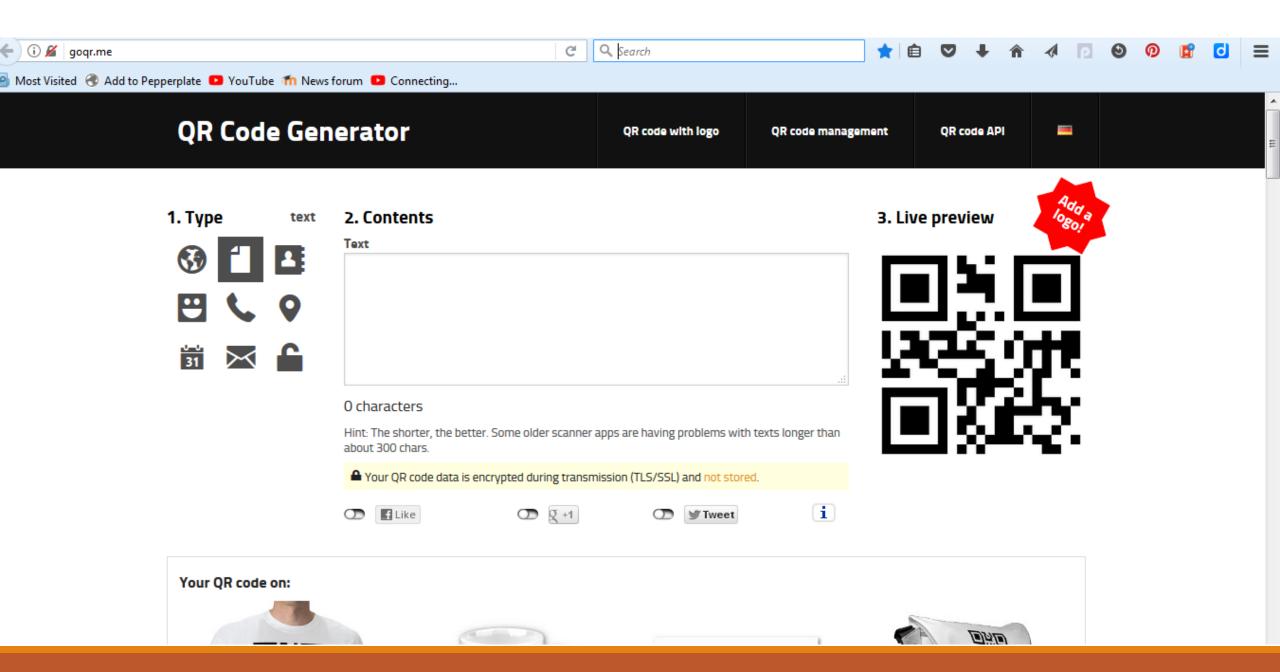


YOU'VE HEARD A RUMOR.

### THERE IS SAFE HOUSE. YOU NEED TO Get your resistance team to it.

First you need the map; better explore once you get it: https://bit.ly/2BvNNwE



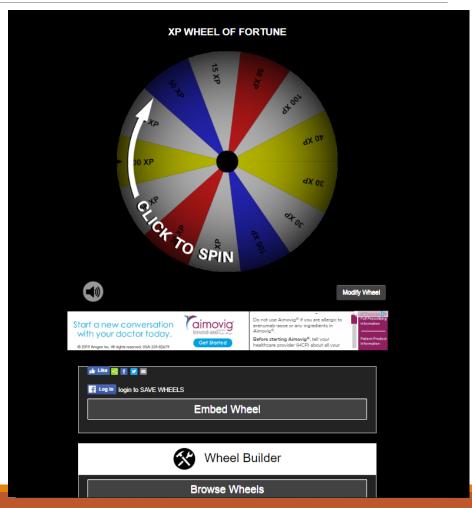


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- QR codes
- WheelDecide



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- WheelDecide
- Instagram/Twitter



**Skyline Journalism** @skylinejour · 3 Oct 2018 Challenge #6: It's #MeanGirlsDay. Go find someone to give you their fave quote from the movie. Record them and post the video. In the tweet, include the person's name. #**skylinejour** #publishordie

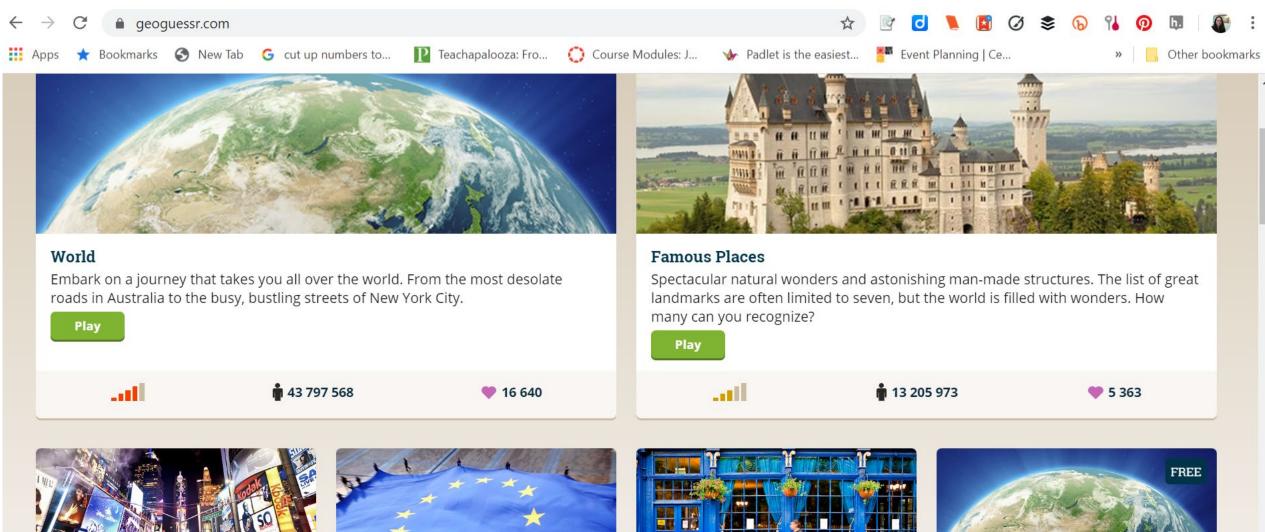


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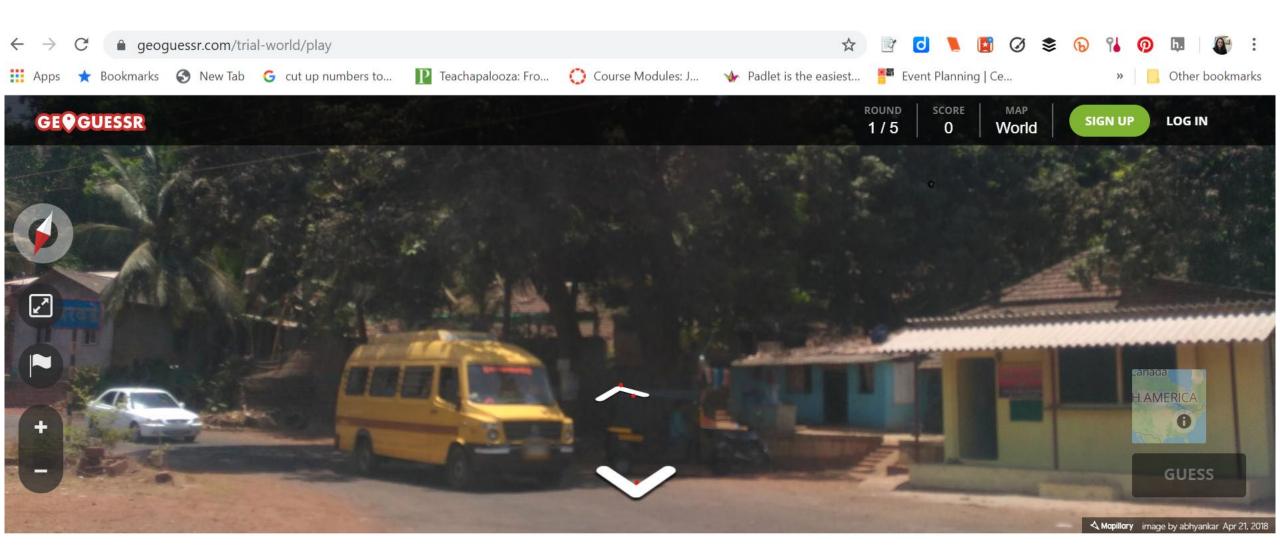


United States Experience the sensation of being a

**European Union** One Union, 28 countries, 500 million **United Kingdom** The British Isles have been inhabited



World Embark on a journey that takes you

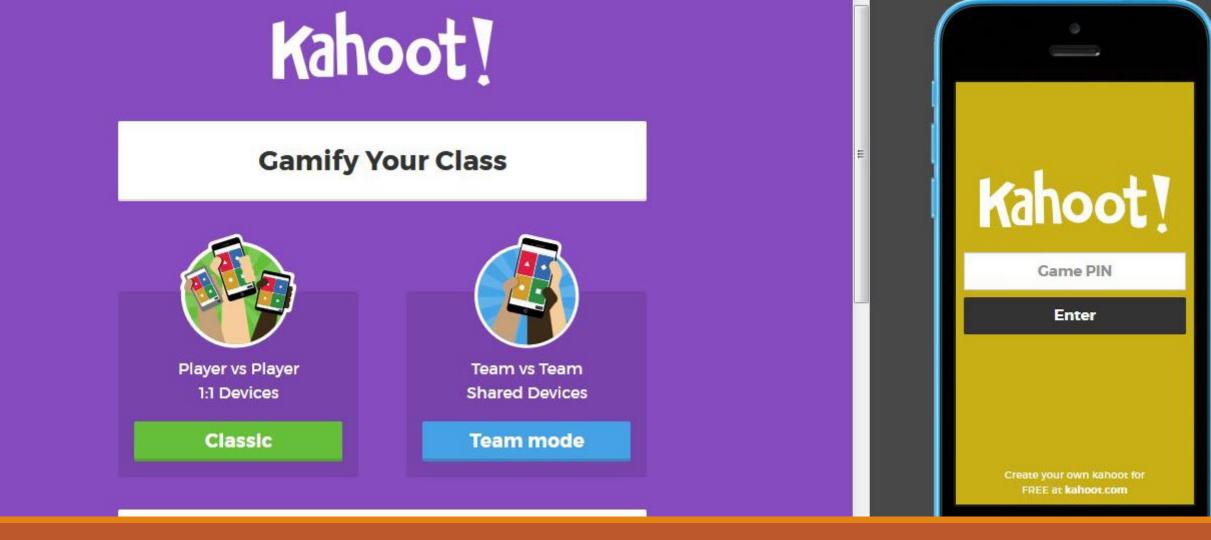


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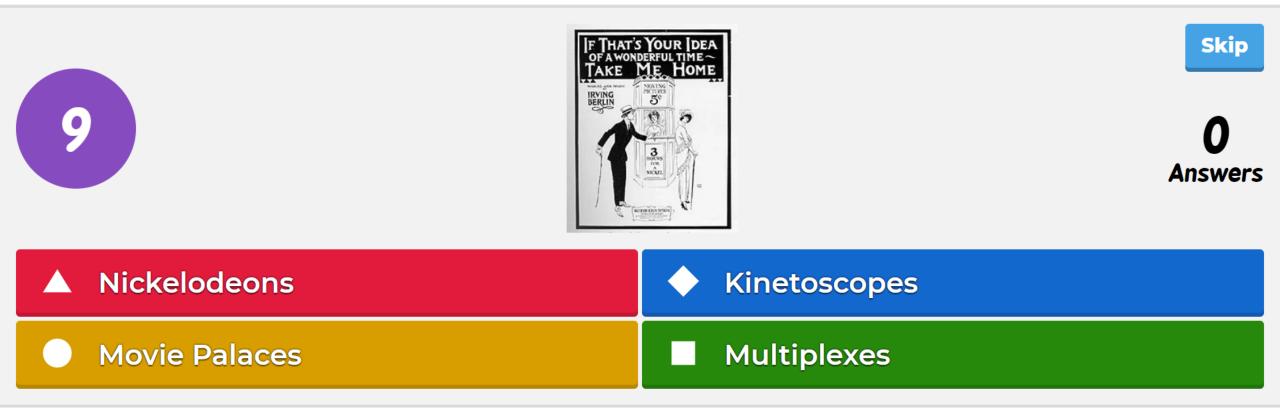
Use low-tech options.

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- Bingo
- QR codes
- Canvas
- WheelDecide
- Instagram/Twitter
- Geogessr
- Kahoot/Quizlet/Socrative/Quizziz



### Which of these came first?



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- Use low-tech options.
- Use medium-tech options.
- Use high-tech options.

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  - Twine

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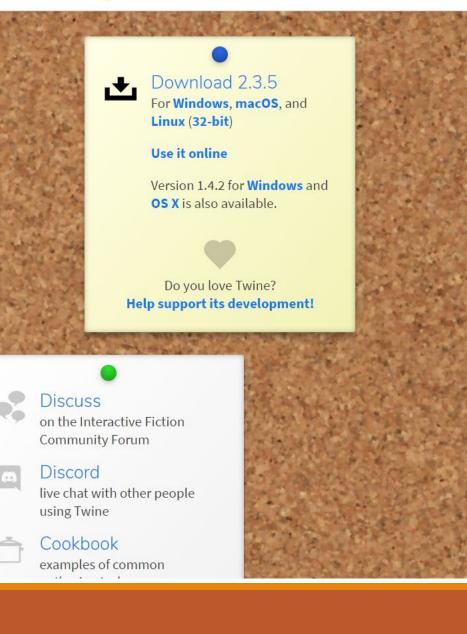
## Twine is an open-source tool for telling interactive, nonlinear stories.

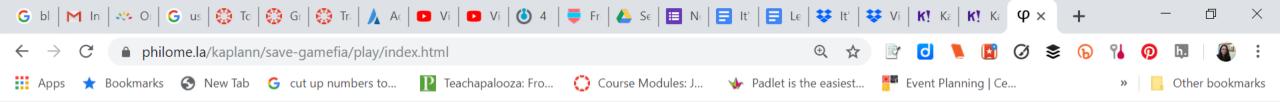
You don't need to write any code to create a simple story with Twine, but you can extend your stories with variables, conditional logic, images, CSS, and JavaScript when you're ready.

Twine publishes directly to HTML, so you can post your work nearly anywhere. Anything you create with it is completely free to use any way you like, including for commercial purposes.

Twine was originally created by **Chris Klimas** in 2009 and is now maintained by a whole bunch of people at **several different repositories**.



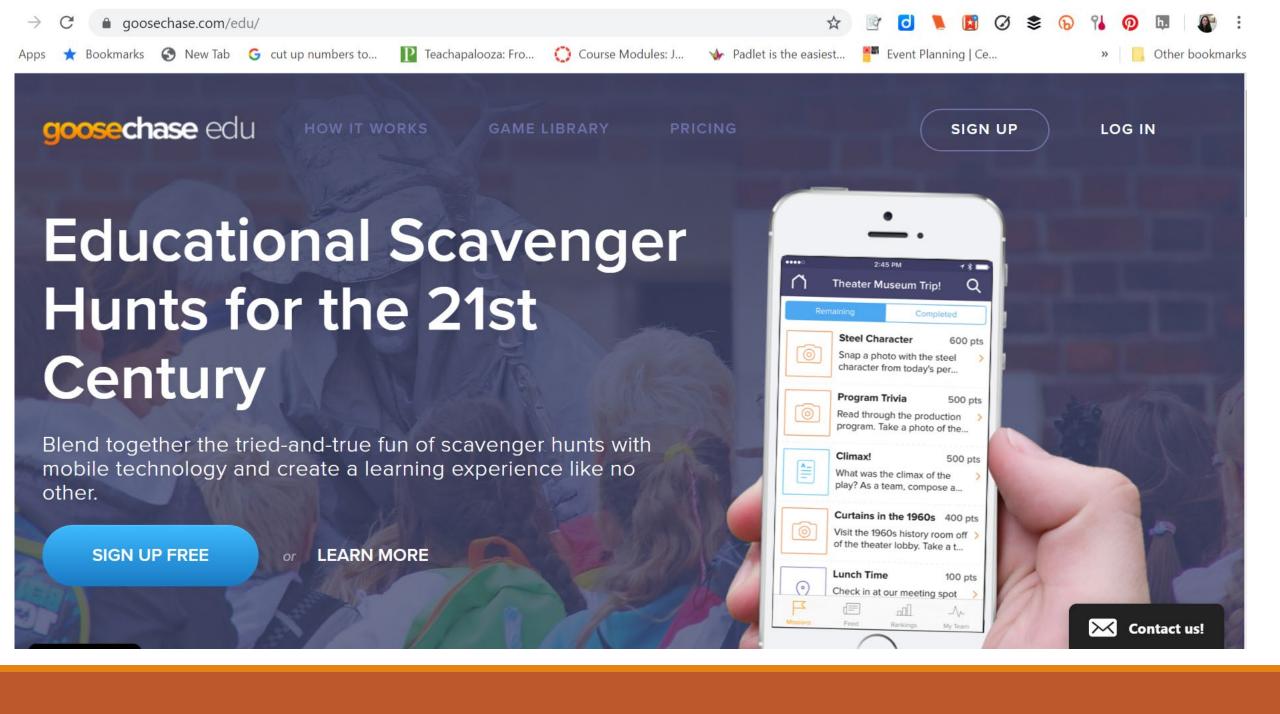




Something is going terribly wrong in Gamefia. The land is being inundated with violent, violent games, corrupting all the kids and making everyone addicted to gaming. Can you persuade the evil game makers to create games for good, rather than evil...before it's too late?!



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  - GooseChase



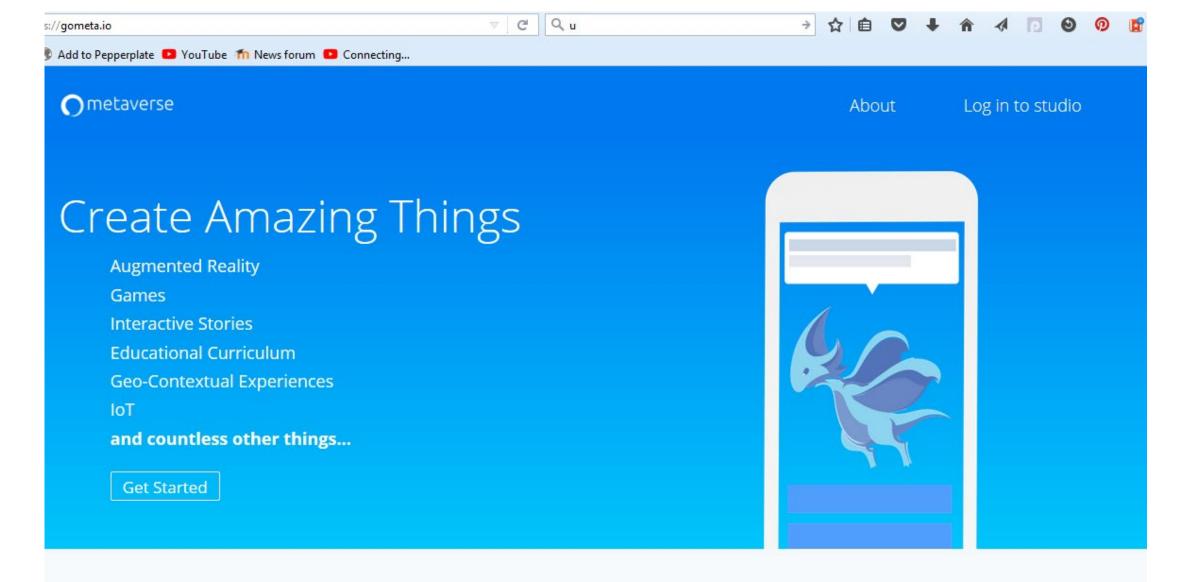
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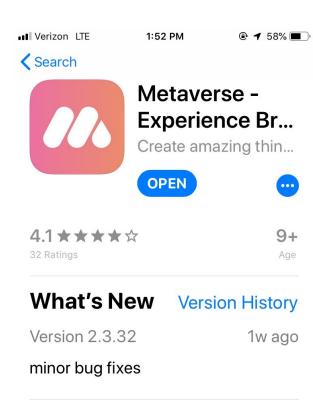
Game Type: Classroom

SETUP	Mission List GooseChase Mission Bank My Mission Bank 🕹	Insert New Mission
E Game Info	Small World 25 Points	Insert Photo/Video Mission 👻
📰 Missions	Ideas and news comes from around the world. Find a newspaper from another country and submit a photo with at least two team members holding the paper.	Sort Order for Mission List 🕐
Ö Start & Stop	Changemaker Photo 30 Points	Point Value
IN-GAME	To do this mission, you must complete the text-based Changemaker mission first. Then, take a photo of the person chronicled in that mission and submit it here.	Mission List Stats
Activity Feed		Point Value # of Missions
Leaderboard	Well Connected 30 Points	500 0
	Collect at least 10 unique business cards from leaders on campus. Photo all the cards displayed on a table with team members giving a thumbs up around the cards.	600 0
		1000 0
		Other 6
		Total 6
	Yarrr Pirates       30 Points         Each team member must construct and wear a pirate hat made of newspaper. Take a selfie with everyone in the newspaper guild wearing their hats.	Sharing Settings (?)
		Private 👻
	40 years strong       50 Points         Find a couple that has been married for 40+ years. Snap a pic of them	

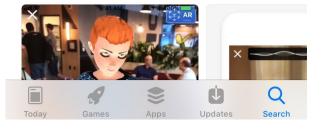
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  - Metaverse



Create Interactive Experiences using Metaverse Studio

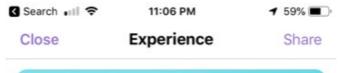


### Preview











### Save the Safehouse



The Safehouse has been discovered.

#### Comments (0)

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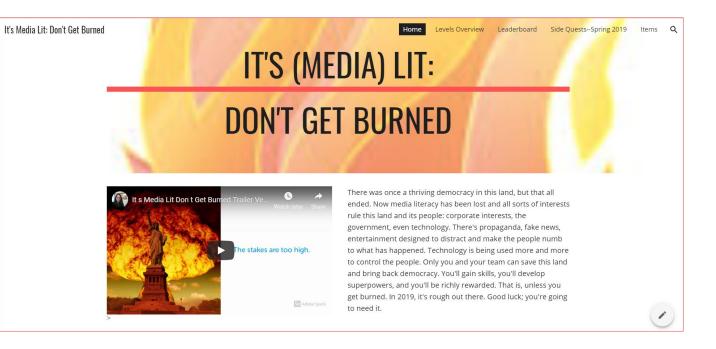
## Your turn

Tell me in the chatroom which idea you are most likely to use.

# 3. The gamified course

# <u>Get started</u>:

Pick a theme.



### Realm of Nobles MISITORS



### School of Communications



Course: MEDC 1010, Sec 02 Introduction to Mass Media

Term: Fall 2018 Mon – Wed 12pm – 1:20pm escape The Media Jungle!!!

Text or FT

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### Gamification in Higher Ed – Jumping In!

🛗 August 19, 2018 💄 heyjuliesmith 🗁 Higher ed / Teaching Tools Q 2 Comments

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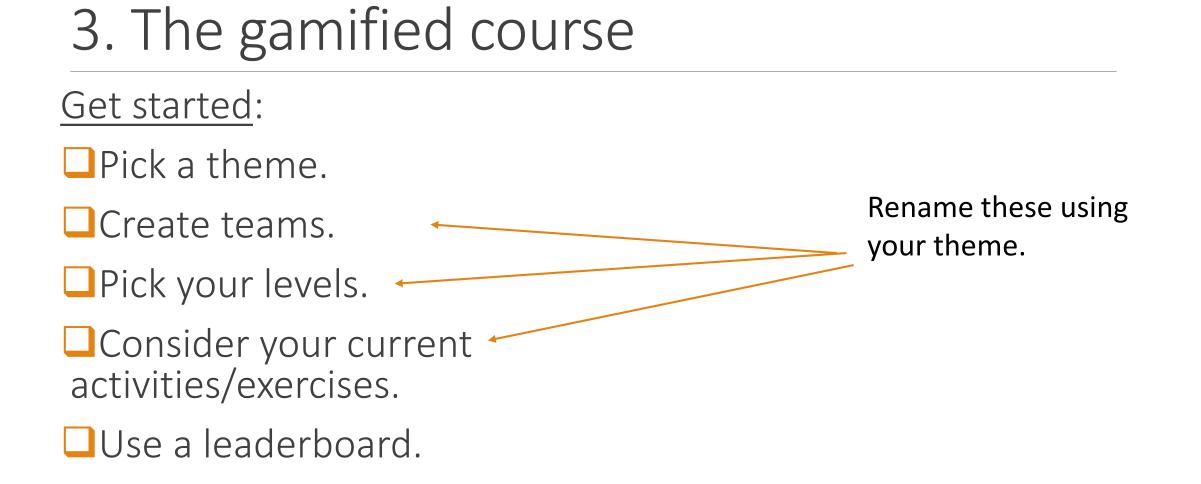
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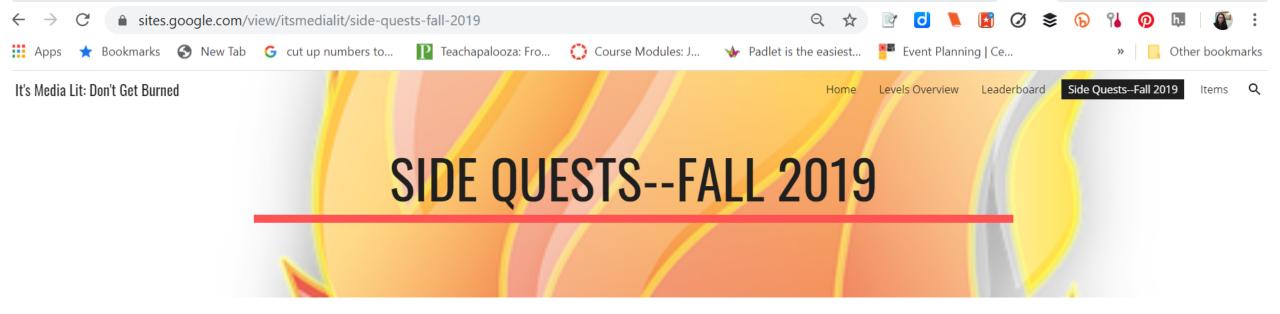
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Come back often to this page. I will be adding additional side quests as we go through the semester. Any side quests you choose to do must be completed and submitted by 12/1.

- New! Check out the banned books week event on Friday, Sept. 27 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the library. 100 XP
- Watch this video, <u>The rise of 'fake news', manipulation and 'alternative facts</u>,' on YouTube and write an analysis of the risks/challenges coming our way and potential solutions they mention (if any). Turn in a hard copy of this. **50 XP**
- Think you know the difference between a factual statement and one that contains opinion? <u>Take this quiz</u> and send me a screenshot of you with the results. **50 XP**
- Watch <u>Corporate Consolidation: Last Week Tonight with John Oliver</u> and type of an assessment of how this relates to our class and one of the trends we've discussed in this class. 50 XP
- Take this quiz on your knowledge of the First Amendment. Take a selfie with the screen showing your score in the background. No
  matter what your score is, you'll get the XP. Send the selfie to me via email. 50 XP
- Watch the 1 1/2 minute-long video of <u>Sinclair Broadcasting Group TV anchors delivering a message</u>. Then, do a Google search of what this whole thing was about and summarize the results in an email to me. **50 XP**
- Play Google's Interland Reality River game to learn more digital citizenship skills. Send me a selfie of you at the end of the game with

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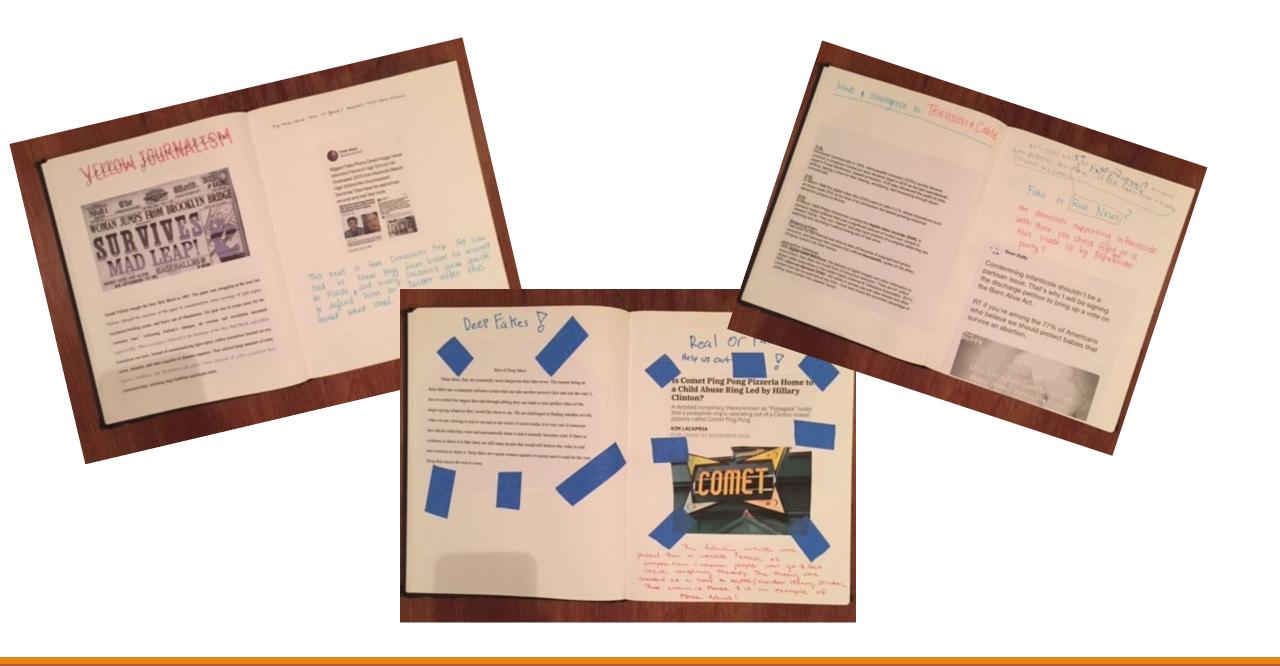
Create items.



Experience points (XP) help you get promoted, which, in turn, earns you a higher salary. As you level up, and earn more XP and a higher salary, you can purchase items to protect or advance yourself in the game. More items coming, so check back frequently.

- New! Retroactive Pay Card: Your employer will retroactively match your points on a side hustle you've already completed. May be applied after the fact. Cost: \$50
- New! IRA Matching Funds Card: Your employer will match your points on any side hustle you complete. (Some exceptions apply.) Must be applied at the same time as the side hustle completion. Cost: \$25
- Headhunter Card: Hire a headhunter to get you a job if you are unemployed (laid off). Cost: \$10
- Mystery Card: You never know what you will get. Ranges from perks to XP to powers. Cost: \$10
- Backstabber Card: Steal any person's XP for that day. Cost: \$25
- Hostile Takeover Card: Steal everyone's points during a class session, including those from team challenges and attendance points





# 3. The gamified course

<u>Go bigger</u>:

Create side quests.

Create items.

Build a storyline.

Build a website.

## Your turn

In the chatroom, brainstorm a theme for one of your current courses.

# 4. Challenges

Don't know game mechanics/lingo

□Need student buy-in

□Time-consuming

□Too much management

## 5. Best Practices

□Don't mix grades with the game—Use XP

Leaderboard sensitivity

Original content over out-of-the-box gamified sites

□Not *just* about badges & points

Consider SAPS

- Status
- Access
- Power
- Stuff

### Resources

Retrievalpractice.org

Myfreebingocards.com/bingo-card-generator

WheelDecide.com

GeoGuessr.com

Canva.com

Create.kahoot.it

Studio.gometa.io

Twinery.org

GooseChase.com/edu

Google Sites

Explore Like a Pirate by Michael Matera (and check out his WellPlayed podcast too)

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