

## What is “Plickers”?

Plickers is formative assessment in a snap! Plickers can be used as a game or a class review through polling. *Plickers is like TurningPoint/clickers, except no receivers or clicker devices are needed!*

When questions are posted on the main screen of the classroom, students answer by holding up printed QR cards assigned to them. Using only **one** smart device that contains the free Plickers app (*a smart phone or tablet*), the teacher scans the cards and collects data in real time. The data can be shared with the students instantly or saved and downloaded for a later date.

## Create your free account

1. Go to [www.plickers.com](http://www.plickers.com)
2. Create a free account. (*I suggest using your cchsmail.org account if you have one*)
3. Sign in
4. Verify your account by logging into your cchsmail.org (or other) account and completing the confirmation email sent by Plickers
5. On your smart device (*phone or tablet*), download the Plickers app from your app store. Then, sign-in with your account.



## Obtaining the Plicker QR cards

- **How do I get the QR Cards?**  
A set of 40 cards are available in the Instructional Design & Training Center (Room 132). Sign out the cards as you need. If you need more than 40, or others have signed out the cards ahead of you, you can print your own at <https://www.plickers.com/cards>.  
Or  
You can order your own set on [Amazon.com](http://Amazon.com).
- **“Can I use the same card set for multiple classes?”**  
Yes, you would simply use the same set (or print out multiples of the same set) of cards across the classes.
- **“Do I have to assign students specific cards to use all the time?”**  
That’s up to you. You can randomly pass out the cards, leaving the assigned cards anonymous OR you can assign cards to students in each class. If you assign cards, you might have, the #1 card assigned to two different students, from two different classes.  
Since they're not in the same class at the same time, the #1 card will only be read as one individual student; the student associated with the class that poll question is planned for.

Login to [www.plickers.com](http://www.plickers.com) to do the following:

*Although you can complete the following procedures through the app, using the larger screen of a laptop or desktop monitor.*



### Creating Classes

1. Click on **Classes** in the top navigation.
2. Select **Add New Class**.
3. Name your class, select a year, subject and color, then click **Save**.
4. *If you choose to assign students to card numbers, complete the student enrollment for the class: Enter each student name individually to assign them a card number.*
5. *To enter multiple students at a time, click **Add Roster**. Then copy and paste a class list into the textbox and card numbers will be assigned automatically.*
6. To print a class list with card numbers, click **Print Roster**.

### Creating Folders

1. Organize your questions! Use folders to organize questions by subject, unit, chapter, or however you'd like. In **Library**, click **New Folder**, found under **+New Question**.
2. Type the name of the topic in the "Folder Name" field.
3. Click **Save**.

### Creating Questions

1. Click on **Library** in the top navigation.
2. Click on the folder within where you would like to create your questions.
3. Click **+ New Question**.
4. Type your question in the "Add question text here..." field.
5. Add a photo with the question, if you choose.
6. Select your question type (multiple choice or true/false).
7. Type 2 – 4 answer choices (one in each field). *Delete any unused field by clicking the X next to the letter.*
8. Click the box next to the correct answer.
9. Click **Save** or **Save and Create New**.

*Tip: If you need to edit, move or delete a question, click the **V** in the right corner of the question card.*

### Adding questions to a specific class

1. Click on **Library** in the top navigation.
2. Open the folder that houses your question.
3. On the question card, click **Expand**, from the lower right corner.
4. Click on **"+ Add to Queue"** and select the class(es) you would like the question to appear.

### Using Plickers in Class

*Make sure your phone or tablet has a charger or is fully charged: If you create a lot of questions it will run the battery down quickly!*

1. Login to [www.plickers.com](http://www.plickers.com) on the classroom computer/projector.
2. Click **Live View** in the top navigation.
3. On your smart device, click your Plickers app
4. Select your current class.



5. Select the question you want to ask. *When you select the question, it will appear on the classroom computer. Click **Full screen** if you want to enlarge the slide.*
6. Tap the **Camera** icon on your screen and scan the cards in the room until all answers are recorded. *You will see live results on your smart device.  
Please note: Sometimes the cards might catch a light glare. So, be patient and assist your students in managing the angle in which they hold them.*
7. Tap the **Checkmark** when finished scanning.
8. If you want to review responses before moving on to next question, reveal the answers from the classroom computer. If you want to move on to the next question and later return to results, select **Archive Responses** on your smart device or click the back arrow and select the next question.

*Tip 1: On Classroom Computer, click **Hide Panel** if you want to hide the results and **Show panel** if you want to show the results.*

*Tip 2: On Classroom Computer, click **Reveal Answer** if you want show who answered what. Results can be shown by student, card number or graph.*

*Tip 3: On your smart device, if you need a “do-over”, you can select “Clear Responses”, then “Ok”. Tap the **Camera** to continue scanning answers.*

### Reviewing Results

You can review responses live with your class (As stated in above procedure) or review them in a report after class:

1. Login to [www.plickers.com](http://www.plickers.com)
2. Click on **Reports** in the top navigation.
3. Filter Reports by course.
4. Under Reports, you can choose to view the **Question History** or **Scoresheet**.
5. In **Scoresheet**, found in the lower left part of your screen, you can “Print reports for individual students” or export reports into an Excel file (CSV).

### Resources:

- Plickers Getting Started Guide and video: <https://plickers.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/214797547>
- Plickers’ Resources: <https://plickers.zendesk.com/hc/en-us>
- Watch a video tutorial: [www.sophia.org/tutorials/plickers](http://www.sophia.org/tutorials/plickers)
- Reserve a Training session with your Instructional Designer: [HelpDesk Ticket](#)