

Handout: Using Poll Everywhere to Gauge Prior Library Knowledge

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How to Create an Activity in Poll Everywhere

1. Open your browser, navigate to polleverywhere.com
2. Log in to your account (if you haven't created an account you'd need to do that first)
3. Go to your activities by clicking activities along the left sidebar
4. Click the add activity button
5. You'll now see the option to select a type of activity.
6. As an example, let's select multiple choice as the activity type.
 - a. The title is the question you'll be asking your audience.
 - b. You can drag and drop the answers to change their order.
 - c. You can click the check mark next to an answer to denote a correct answer.
7. When you've finished creating your activity, there's an option to assign the activity to a folder. You can choose to do this in order to present multiple activities in a row to your audience. You can also add the activity to a folder at a later time.
8. You can then click "add another activity" if you'd like to save the current activity and create another activity, or you can click "create" which will bring you to where you can present the activity.

How to Present your Activity/Activities

1. Open your browser, navigate to polleverywhere.com
2. Log in to your account
3. Go to your activities by clicking activities along the left sidebar
4. If you are only presenting one activity, click that activity and then click present.
5. If you are presenting all of the activities within a folder, click on the folder, then click the first activity in the folder and click present.
6. NOTE: Along the bottom of each activity is a small green/red lock. By default the lock is unlocked and green, meaning that you'll accept responses to that activity. If the lock is red it means you won't accept responses. You should make sure your activities are in the unlocked green position before presenting your activities.

How to Present your Activity/Activities in Zoom or another video conferencing software

1. Open your browser, navigate to polleverywhere.com
2. Log in to your account
3. Go to your activities by clicking activities along the left sidebar
4. Launch zoom or another video conferencing software
5. ** Share your whole desktop screen **
6. Navigate to your activity in Poll Everywhere and click present

Further Reading

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