Technology in the Classroom - Socrative

Socrative is a student response system that easily empowers teachers and allows them to engage student using any computer, smartphone, laptop or tablet. Teachers can administer a quick pulse check, quizzes, or end-of-class exit ticket and get immediate feedback without the hassle of taking papers home to grade!

I. Account Setup
Go to www.socrative.com to setup a new account. Click on Get Started or Sign up.

Registration is simple! Just enter your email address and create a password. Remember to write down your password for later or try to use a password that is easy to recall.

II. Choosing a Room Number
Socrative automatically assigns a room number to your account. Students will enter this room number at m.socrative.com to join the class to answer questions or take a quiz. Your room number can be edited at anytime.
a) **Edit room number** – From the **Main Screen**, click on **My Profile → Change Room Number**. Your room number can be a combination of numbers and letters.

![Screen shot showing My Profile and Change Room Number options](image)

b) In **My Profile**, you can also edit your account details, including email address, password, and teacher information.

### III. How Students Join the Room

From their devices (laptop, tablet, computer or smartphone), students access Socrative at [m.socrative.com](http://m.socrative.com). All they need to do is enter your **room number** and click **Join Room**.

![Join Room button](image)

### IV. Single Question Activities

There are times during class when you may want to gauge your students’ understanding without drawing attention to any one student. Single question activities give you the power to see where your class is, as whole, and the students become further engaged because they’re allowed to record their responses using technology. With single question activities, students’ answers are anonymous. Under **Single Question Activities** on the **Main Screen**, choose the type you would like to run with your class, and have them submit their answers.

a) **Multiple Choice (MC)** – Ask a multiple question aloud or write it on the board. Students join the room and answer the question. Anonymous results are displayed immediately.

b) **True/False** – Ask the students one true/false question and get immediate feedback, anonymously.

c) **Short Answer** – Ask students an open-ended question (short response). Once the answers are displayed, you can review each response and even have students vote on the responses.
To access the previous menu, click on the **Main Menu** blue arrow in the top left corner of the screen.

V. **Create, Edit and Import Quizzes**

You also have the option to create a quiz in Socrative or import a quiz (using the Excel spreadsheet that Socrative provides).

a) **Create a quiz** – From the **Main Screen**, click **Manage Quizzes → Create a Quiz**. Give the quiz a name and begin adding questions (multiple choice or short answer). Add as many or as few questions as you like and click **Save** when you are finished. You can edit any quiz in your account.

- **Multiple Choice** – Type the question and the multiple answer choices. Click on the blue box to select the correct answer. Use two answer choices to pose true/false questions.
- **Short Answer** – Type the question, and provide an optional question explanation. Use the **blue arrows** on the right of each question to change its order in the quiz. Delete a question with the **red X**.
- **Enable Sharing** – Check this box near the top to share the quiz with other teachers. Socrative will generate an **SOC #** for the quiz. Share this **SOC #** you’re your colleagues, and they will be able to import and use your quiz with their own students.

- Even though the question is not displayed in the edit mode, the Socrative will always ask your students their first and last names at the start of any quiz.
b) **Import a Quiz** – In addition to creating a quiz with Socrative, you can import a shared quiz (from another teacher who uses Socrative) or a quiz that you created using the Socrative Excel template. From the Main Screen, select Manage Quizzes → Import Quiz. There are two ways to import a quiz:

- **Import Shared Quiz** – Enter the SOC# of a shared quiz, and click Import Quiz to add it to your account.

- **Import Quiz From Excel** – Use the Socrative Excel template to import a quiz that was created on your PC. Before importing a quiz on the template, you must first create it using the Socrative Quiz Template.

c) **Socrative Quiz Template** – Click on Import Quiz From Excel to access the easy to use template. Open the template that is compatible with your version of Microsoft Excel and fill it out the five steps.

1. **Quiz Name** – Give your quiz a title.
2. **Question Type** - Click on the first cell under Question Type, and select the question type from the drop down menu.
3. **Question** – Type the question in the cell under the third column.
4. **Answer Choices** – If you selected a multiple choice question, provide the answers in each column under A-E. You do not need to use all of the answer choices; you can have fewer than five answer choices.
5. **Choose the correct answer** – Enter the letter of the correct answer for multiple choice questions. This step is optional and can be left blank. See an example on the below.

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<td>Multiple choice</td>
<td>Which of the following sentences is declarative?</td>
<td>Wow! I can’t believe we made it!</td>
<td>Do you want to go?</td>
<td>I cannot go today.</td>
<td>Come with us.</td>
<td>C</td>
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<td>Multiple choice</td>
<td>Which of the following is an interrogative statement?</td>
<td>The flowers are blooming.</td>
<td>Oh no! Flowers make my nose itch.</td>
<td>Take your allergy medicine now.</td>
<td>Are you allergic to the flowers?</td>
<td>D</td>
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<td>Multiple choice</td>
<td>Which of the following is an exclamatory sentence?</td>
<td>Do you think we can win the race?</td>
<td>We won the race!</td>
<td>Run as fast as you can.</td>
<td>You are a good runner.</td>
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<td>Multiple choice</td>
<td>Which of the following is an imperative sentence?</td>
<td>Open Socratic on your tablet.</td>
<td>Do you like using Socratic?</td>
<td>Using Socratic is fun.</td>
<td>Socratic is a useful tool.</td>
<td>A</td>
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- Repeat steps 2-5 to add more questions. Save the Excel file to your computer or flash drive.
- In Socrative, click on **Choose File** to select the completed Socrative Quiz Template. Click **Import Quiz**, and the quiz will be added to your account.

### VI. Administer Quizzes and Exit Tickets

From the **Main Screen**, click on **Start Quiz** to run a created quiz.

#### a) Select a saved quiz

- **Student Paced Quiz** – This option allows students to answer at their own pace.
- **Teacher Paced Quiz** – This option allows you to run the quiz at your desired pace.

#### b) Advanced Quiz Options

- **Randomize Answer Choices** – Check if you want multiple choice questions to be displayed in a random order.
- **Disable Immediate Right/Wrong Feedback** – Check if you DO NOT want the students to know if they have selected the right or wrong answer during the quiz.
c) **Space Race** – Shake up the class with a little friendly competition. With a space race, you can separate the students into groups and have them answer quiz questions as a game. Assign each group a different color space ship; the space ships will travel along the screen as they answer questions.

- From the Main Screen, click on **Space Race**.
- **Select a saved quiz** – Use the drop down menu to select a quiz for the space race. 
  - **Number of teams** – Select the number of teams; the maximum number of teams is 10.
- **Auto-assign team colors** – Check the box for Socrative to assign a color to each group. And click **Next**.

- When all the students have entered the room (with your **room number**) and selected a team, click **Start Space Race** to begin the activity.
- As the teams complete the quiz, their space ship will move across the screen to the right. The first team to the end wins! You can display the race on the Promethean board or projector for the class to see. Students will be excited to see their space ships move across the screen.
d) **Exit Ticket** – Quickly get feedback from students at the end of class with an **exit ticket**. When you run an exit ticket, your students will be asked the following questions:

1. What is your name (last, first)?
2. How well did you understand today’s material? *This is a multiple choice question.*
3. What did you learn today?
4. Please solve the problem on the board. (*The teacher has to give an “exit” problem before the students leave class.*)

After answering the questions, a student can click **Finish Exit Ticket** or **Let another student take the Exit Ticket**, if your students are sharing a computer.

VII. **Grading Quizzes**

After ending a quiz, you can download the quiz report or have it emailed to you (the report will be sent to the email address you used to sign up). The quiz report is an Excel document that gives you the score and the graded multiple choice questions for each student. At this moment, Socrative does not grade open-ended questions.

You can retrieve previous quiz reports, by clicking on **Manage Quizzes** on the **Main Screen**. Select the quiz report in the drop down menu. The quiz reports are organized by name and dates.

- **Send Report** – The report will be emailed to you.
- **Download Report** – You can download the report and save it to your computer or flash drive.