

EDTECH: 5 FREE TOOLS FOR ARABIC AS A THIRD LANGUAGE CLASSROOM

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Arabic language is known as one of the oldest languages in the world, as it has been around for well over 1000 years. However, thanks to the advancement of educational technology, learning Arabic language is no longer limited to the traditional method where students are required to spend hours and hours mindlessly memorizing vocabulary without context. Integrating Edtech tools in the classroom will not only makes learning enjoyable and interesting, but it also allows students to study at their own pace, anytime and anywhere. Here are the top 5 free tools for teaching and learning Arabic as a third language recommended for teachers and students:

1. ARABIC DICTIONARY BY محمد أصف



Available on Google Play Store for free, this minimal Arabic <> English dictionary offers clean user interface and allows users to search for meanings offline, with no advertisement.

Download at:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.salafsoft.arabdict>



2. PADLET



Padlet works as a straightforward tool that allows teachers and learners to collaborate online. With endless possibilities, teachers can use Padlet for classroom discussion, gathering students' work, conducting classroom activities etc. One of its features that allow users to post anonymously is very convenient since it encourages participation from even the most introverted students in the class.

Visit: <https://padlet.com/>



3. OPEN BROADCASTER SOFTWARE (OBS) STUDIO



OBS Studio is a program that allows high quality screencasting. Unlike most of other screencasting program, it neither limits the recording time and quality nor applies a watermark automatically. Other key features includes: video recording, live streaming, audio mixer etc.

Download at: <https://obsproject.com/>



4. QUIZZZ



Quizizz is a great online formative assessment tools that allows users to create or use available multiple choice quizzes in class or as homework. It offers the excitement when students compete with one another while answering the quizzes on their own devices.

Visit: <https://quizizz.com/>



5. KAHOOT



Similar to Quizizz, Kahoot allows teachers and students to review lessons online. However, instead of answering the quizzes individually, questions are displayed on a projector and students responds on their own devices. In addition to multiple choice quizzes, Kahoot offers another feature which is 'Jumble' which requires players to place answers in the correct order.

Visit: <https://kahoot.com/>



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