

Liz – Quizlet

Pros:

- Teachers can see if the students have studied their flashcards or not and for how much time.
- We can also see which flashcards students had trouble with and which flashcards were easy.
- You can also add a link to a movie in Brainpop or Khan Academy so that if they are having trouble with something they can watch the movie to solidify understanding.

Cons:

- Students don't gain experience using the glossary of their textbook.
- Sometimes making physical flashcards themselves forces the students to learn about the words in the process.
- Also, there are students who appreciate the tactile use of flashcards, and for them we print out flashcards so they can hold them.

Pilar – Duolingo

Pros:

- Students love it and it keeps them focused and engaged.
- It's self-paced to differentiate for different levels of Spanish speakers.
- Neal is using it to bone up for Peru!

Cons:

- They do not practice hand-writing the language.
- It lacks a focus on grammar.

Larry – Various Uses

- Larry has the students use their iPads to video themselves or a partner trying to execute a skill being taught in class. Then they e-mail the video to Larry for grading, allowing him to see every student in class (all 66 of them) executing the skill.
- Larry uses the videos that are perfect executions of the skill being taught as video demonstrations of that skill on his teacher webpage. He is building up a video library for students to use as a reference tool if they want to work on the skills outside of class.

Angela – Various Sites

Pro:

- Some of the websites and videos help students to make cultural connections between different cultures and to learn about the Spanish-speaking world.
- They are a fun resource to hook the students before introducing formal topics like conjugation rules.

Cons

- Sometimes the videos have spelling mistakes and the activities are too long. It takes a lot of time to find the best websites and to go over the whole games/activities or presentations before adding it into your class.

JJ – Various Uses

Pros:

- The students are exposed to different ways to look at music and see and hear authentic music programs, concerts,