Digital Resources for Secondary Teachers

Interactive Instruction

Nearpod (<u>www.nearpod.com</u>) - create digital lessons with your PPT or Google Slides to transform your lesson into an interactive one; students see the slides on their own device

PearDeck (https://www.peardeck.com/) - see how the Chrome Extension can help you build interactive slide shows in Google Slides; also find details on the Newsela Daily Deck.

Tools for Video Instruction

Screencastify (https://www.screencastify.com) - record your screen and voice to deliver instruction; post the video to Canvas or Classroom

EdPuzzle (www.edpuzzle.com)- embed a video with questions; video pauses for students to answer

Animoto (<u>www.animoto.com</u>)- use a professional quality template to make an attention-grabbing intro video

Flipgrid (www.flipgrid.com) - share ideas, stories, and work through video

Digital Assessment

Quizlet (www.quizlet.com) - study sets of digital flashcards

Socrative (<u>www.socrative.com</u>) - exit ticket and quiz tool

Kahoot (www.getkahoot.com) - play a fast-paced game with students on unit terminology and concepts

Gimkit (www.gimkit.com) - a fast paced game for learning vocabulary terms, etc

Student-Centered Projects and Activities

Adobe Spark (<u>www.spark.adobe.com</u>) - design a graphic, video, or a webpage, free for teachers and students

Canva (www.canva.com)- design your own digital product; cards, posters, presentations and more

Bubbl.us (www.bubbl.us) - mind mapping tool for brainstorming; download without even signing in

Utility and Productivity Tools

YouTube Downloader - (https://www.youtubebyclick.com/) - install to a Windows PC, copy the video URL and paste in to convert to an .mp4 file to play for instruction

Instructables (<u>www.instructables.com</u>) - step-by step instructions for making things

Remove Background Image (www.remove.bg) - remove backgrounds from pictures