Getting started with Kahoot!

New to Kahoot!? You’ll be making and playing awesome learning games in no time - just follow the step-by-step instructions in this guide.

You’ll learn how to discover and play games created by others, duplicate and edit public games, and even create your own kahoots.

First, what is Kahoot!?
Kahoot! is a game-based learning platform used by millions of people around the world every day to discover, create, play and share learning games.

Kahoot! can be used for any subject, any age, and with any device - and players don’t even need to register for an account. Our platform is designed to make learning fun – but it’s not just for the classroom.

There are millions of people using Kahoot! every month in hundreds of different settings, from classrooms to business meetings to sporting events, award ceremonies, and even parties! For example, wedding kahoots seem to be a popular genre!

That’s right - Kahoot! is all about making learning awesome! Whether you come together to learn about quadratic equations or food trivia, it’s up to you.

Top tip!
One of the things that makes Kahoot! so unique is that it’s a platform where you decide on the content, the imagery and how the game is played.

If you don’t have time to create a game from scratch, simply search from millions of kahoots in our public library and adapt them for your audience.
How to play your first kahoot

Kahoots are best played in a group setting, like a classroom or a conference room – or even with family at home.

Games are displayed on a shared screen – for example a smart TV, a laptop or an interactive whiteboard. You can also use screen sharing tools like Skype, Appear.in, or Google Hangouts to include players from other locations.

Players join in using their own device – whether that’s a smartphone, tablet, laptop, or desktop doesn’t matter, as long as they have a browser and good internet connection.

**Step 1: Find a game to play**
There are millions of public kahoots available on the platform. Search for a game on a relevant topic, or choose a kahoot from the Discover page. For example, try one of the features games in our themed collections.

Or maybe you’ve created your own kahoot already? Open the kahoot and click **Play**.
Step 2: Launch the game so players can join

Change the game settings if you like (for example, randomize the order of questions, etc) and click on Classic or Team mode to start letting players join your game.

A unique Game PIN will be displayed at the top of the screen. Players enter this PIN to join the game in the Kahoot app for iOS and Android. Alternatively, if they can’t install the app on their device, they can join by going to kahoot.it in their browser.

Step 3: Play the kahoot

Click Start once you can see all the players’ nicknames in the “lobby” or waiting screen. During gameplay you can use the space bar or your mouse to go to the next question.

At the end of the game, click Get Results, and then View Reports or Save Results to view and download a game report, or play this kahoot again.
How to make your first kahoot

Creating your very first kahoot is lots of fun. Once you’ve done your research and established your learning objectives, you can jump right in!

**Step 1: Log in and click Create**
Log in at kahoot.com, click **Create** in the top right corner of the screen and choose **Quiz**. It only takes minutes to create a kahoot!

**Step 2: Add questions, answers, and imagery**
Follow the instructions on screen to add questions, answers, images, and video. You can add multiple-choice quiz questions, true/false, survey questions, and, if you have a paid subscription, you can also add slides and polls. Toggle the timer for each question and don’t forget to add images!
Step 3: Add a title, description, and cover image

Enter a title and description in the kahoot summary to summarize it and help other users find it easily. A great cover image will ensure your kahoot stands out and attracts more players.

Top tip!

Instead of typing questions from scratch, you can add them from our question bank! It’ll help you create kahoots 3x as fast.
How to assign a kahoot as homework

In addition to playing live in a group setting, you can also assign kahoots as homework with the challenge feature.

Save time on correcting assignments and make homework really engaging for students. They play homework challenges after class in our mobile app, and you get a neat report with the results.

On your computer, open a kahoot and hit the Challenge button. Select when you want the challenge to end, copy the link or the game PIN and share it with your students. For example, via LMS, email, etc. It’s possible to challenge players from the mobile app, too: log in to your account, open a kahoot you like, tap Play and Challenge friends.

You can also challenge your friends and family with a cool quiz for fun!
Say hello!

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