# Assignable Ebooks Student Survey



#### Goals

- The goal of the survey was to learn more about the types of course they are enrolled in and how students use their ebooks.
- What type of course are they using ebooks in? (Online Synchronous, Online Asynchronous, In-person, and Hybrid).
- How do students collaborate with each other?
- How many students in the target markets for assignable ebooks (Political Science, Sociology, Music, History, Biology) engage with existing ebooks?

## **Survey Set Up & Participants**

- Intercept survey appeared 1 time on load of every Norton ebook for student accounts
- The survey was live from 04/15/22 04/18/22
- **5,164** total respondents
- The top disciplines included: 17% History (888), 16% Psychology (826), 10%
   Music (538), 8% Sociology (388), 6% Political Science (292), 5% English Comp (253), 5% Anthropology (247), 4% English Literature (229)
- 53% University or 4-year Institution students (**2,723**), 38% Community College or 2-year Institution students (**1,973**), and 9% High School students (**468**)

#### What type of course are students using their ebook for?

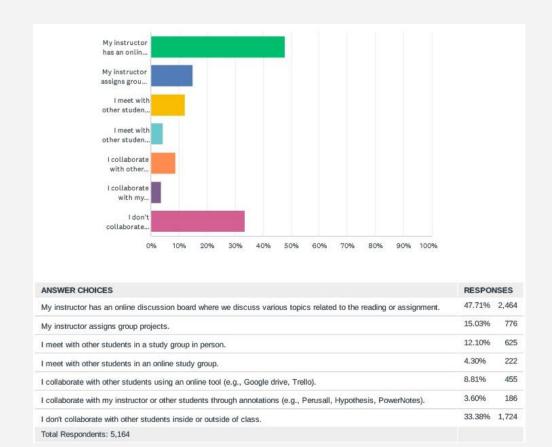
**56%** of students use their ebook for a course that is completely online.



#### How do students collaborate with each other?

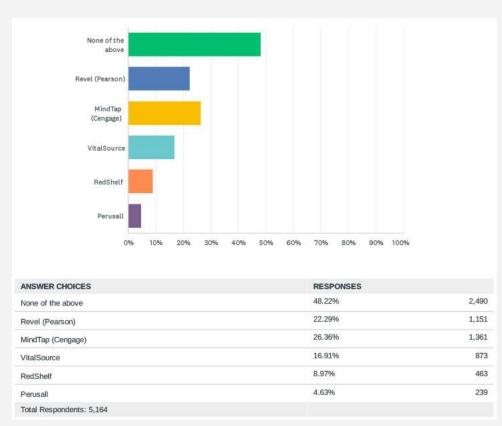
**48%** of students use an online discussion board for readings / assignments

**33%** do not collaborate with other students.



# What other ebook products from other publishers or platforms have students used?

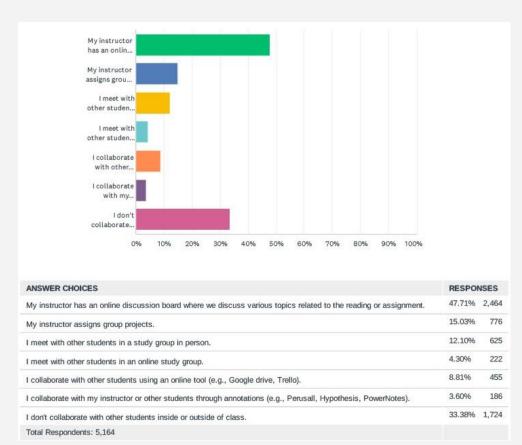
**52%** of students have used one of the other listed ebook products from other publishers.



# How do students collaborate with other students in their class?

**67%** of students collaborate with other students.

**47%** of students' instructors have an online discussion board related to the readings or assignments.



### **Takeaways**

- Table of Contents is the most used ebook feature, supporting the need for the assignments overview feature
- More than half of students collaborate with other students in some way
- Norton ebooks are mostly used for online classes
- Almost 50% of students have discussion boards related to their readings, showing that some type of activities are used for Norton Ebooks or ebooks in general

#### Goals

- The goal of the survey was to learn more about student's current assignments related to Norton Ebooks and readings
- What tools do students typically use in their Norton Ebooks? Such as highlighting, annotations, etc.
- Are students classes online, in-person, or hybrid?
- How do students collaborate with other students and their instructors? What tools do they use? Do they collaborate in-person and/or online?

## **Survey Set Up & Participants**

- Intercept survey appeared 1 time on load of every Norton ebook for student accounts
- The survey was live from
- 5,164 total respondents
- The most common subjects included: 17% History (888), 16% Psychology (826), 10% Music (538), 8% Sociology (388), 6% Political Science (292), 5% English Comp (253), 5% Anthropology (247), 4% English Literature (229)
- 53% University or 4-year Institution students (2,723), 38% Community College or 2-year Institution students (1,973), and 9% High School students (468)

#### What type of course are students using their ebook for?

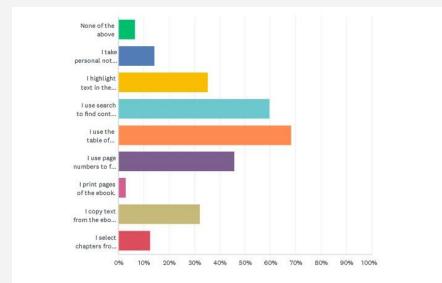
**56%** of students use their ebook for a course that is completely online.



#### Which ebook features do students use?

**68%** of students use the table of contents to navigate to a specific chapter or section.

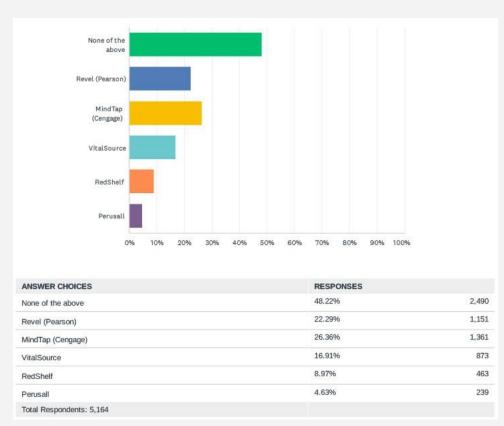
**60%** of students use search to find content or keywords.



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
None of the above	6.66%	344
I take personal notes in the ebook.	14.37%	742
I highlight text in the ebook.	35.40%	1,828
I use search to find content or keywords.	59.78%	3,087
I use the table of contents to navigate to a specific chapter or section.	68.28%	3,526
I use page numbers to find the sections assigned by my instructor.	45.84%	2,367
I print pages of the ebook.	3.04%	157
I copy text from the ebook (e.g., to quote in a paper or essay).	32.11%	1,658
I select chapters from the ebook to read offline.	12.63%	652
Total Respondents: 5,164		

# What other ebook products from other publishers or platforms have students used?

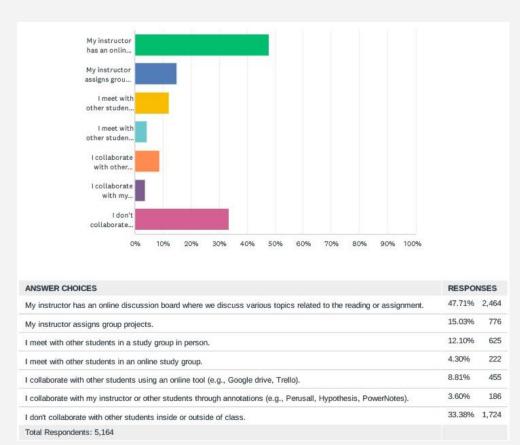
**52%** of students have used one of the other listed ebook products from other publishers.



# How do students collaborate with other students in their class?

**67%** of students collaborate with other students.

**47%** of students' instructors have an online discussion board related to the readings or assignments.



## **Takeaways**

- Table of Contents is the most used ebook feature, supporting the need for the assignments overview feature
- More than half of students collaborate with other students in some way
- Norton ebooks are mostly used for online classes
- Almost 50% of students have discussion boards related to their readings, showing that some type of activities are used for Norton Ebooks or ebooks in general