O365/Outlook.com – Microsoft FORMS

# AS A – I WANT – SO THAT

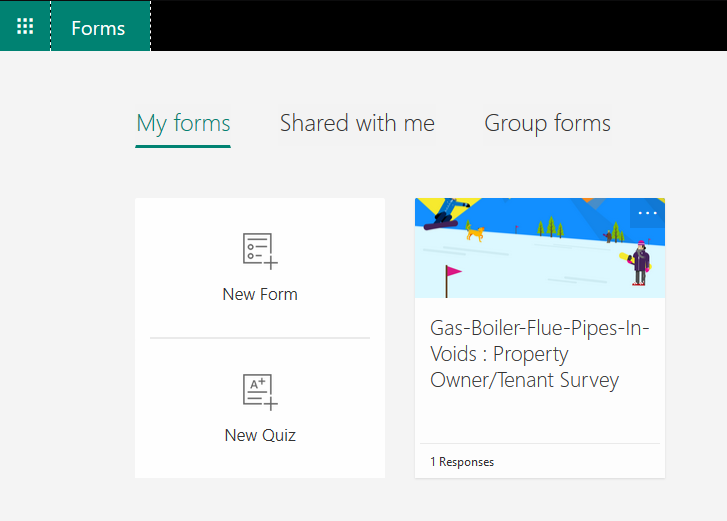
1. **AS A**: User of Outlook.com/O365 MS-Forms – **I WANT**: To be able to have e2e solution for data-entry and distributable forms/surveys/quizzes/polls to be taken by an audience – **SO THAT:** Without involvement of developers/analysts/and-friends! – I can Create such simple forms/surveys/quizzes/polls and can also champion a self-service paperless office – where possible.
2. **AS A**: Consultant for Outlook.com/O365 MS-Forms – **I WANT**: To be able to learn/know/experience about MS-Forms and its limits/boundaries and capabilities/features including any automation options at all – **SO THAT:** I can make and impart pragmatic and confident recommends to the Users about this product - To-Use MS-Forms and decide/architect why NOT-To-Use alternatives like POWERAPPS – Or use this tool as stop-gap-proof-of-concept-mockup scenarios for requirements elicitation and process placeholder/visualization.

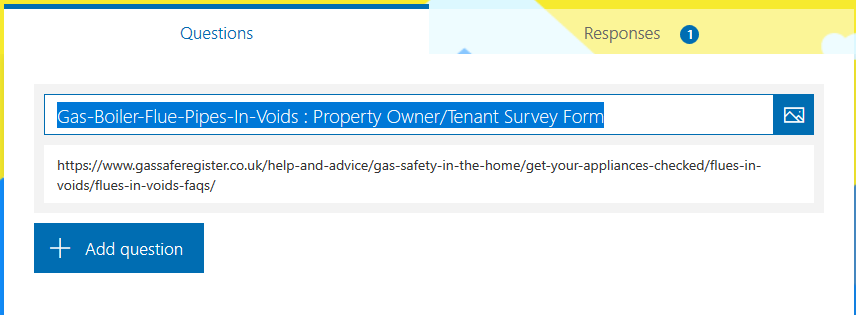
# PROOF OF CONCEPT ONY - SOLUTION DESIGN/ARCHITECTURE

1. MS-FORMS is like a survey/quiz and the data collected through this approach goes to some hidden data-sink which can be EXPORTED with Excel or Viewed/Printed in the browser or Embedded in various other forms like OneDrive/One-Note/Excel-sheets.
2. Each subquery/question’s response is clubbed on the web dashboard to form a summary and presented as a single page application like feature (from Responses tab) for the editor/creator of the forms.
3. MS-FORMS have very little validation capabilities and NO ability to control what gets entered, hence the responses must be either very choice/date/rating/other-specific-types or free-open-text field data.

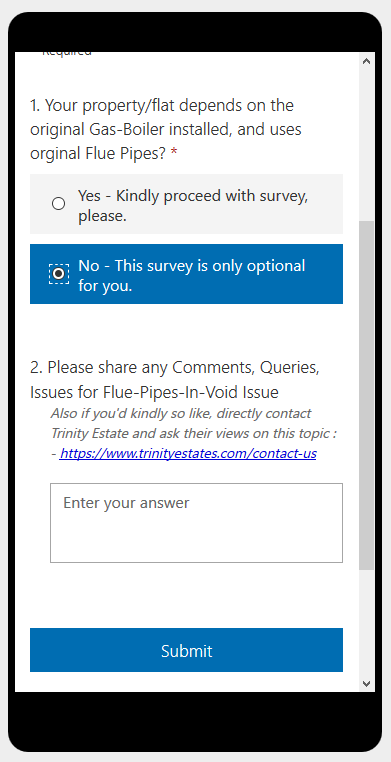
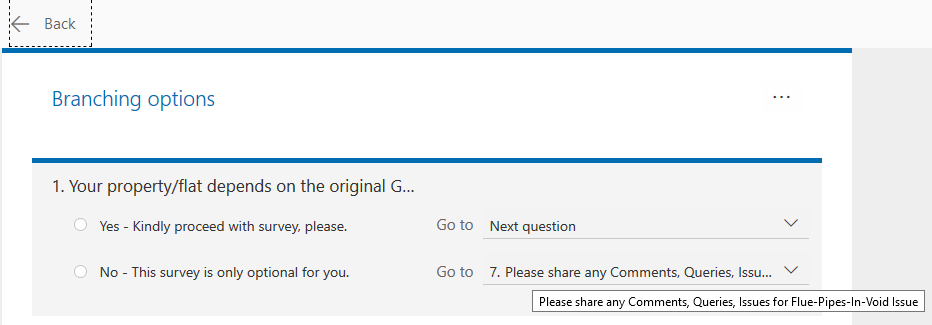
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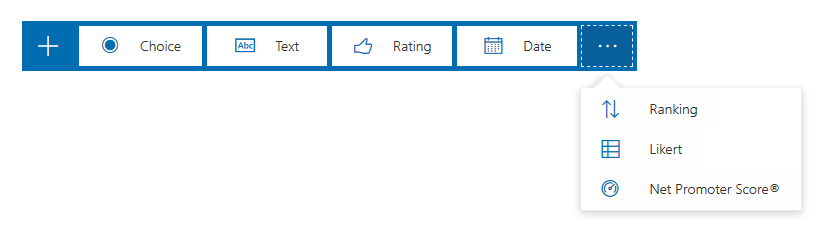
## CREATING A MS-FORM WITH **IN-BROWSER DESIGNER**





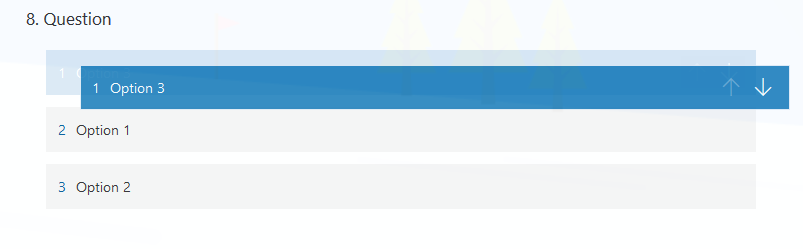
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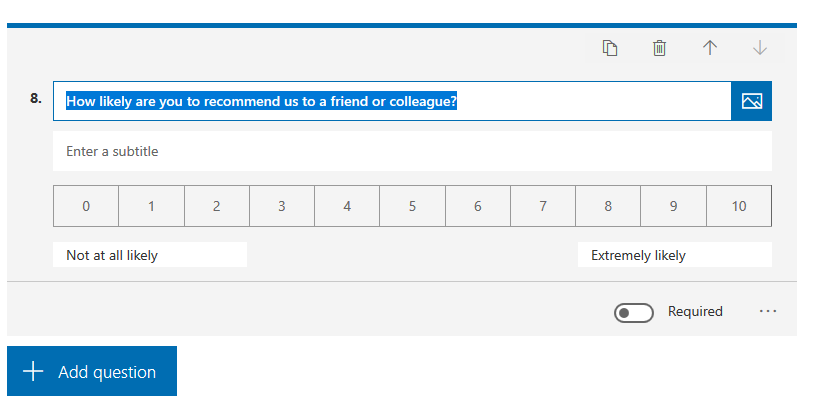


#### A typical field types - Besides, Choice, Text, Date, Rating (as used in the POC form below).

1. Ranking – Is very much like choice, but involves ordering capability for user to able to sort/rank the choices

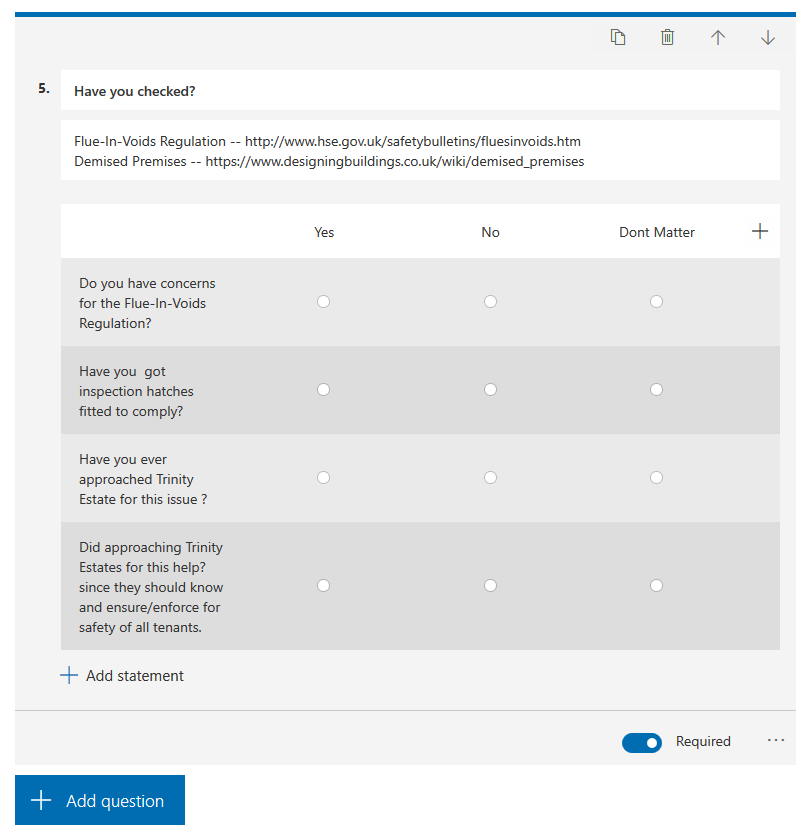


1. [NPS – Net Promoter Score](https://www.process.st/calculate-nps/): is a standard way to survey - if audience is – Promoter , Passive or Detractor

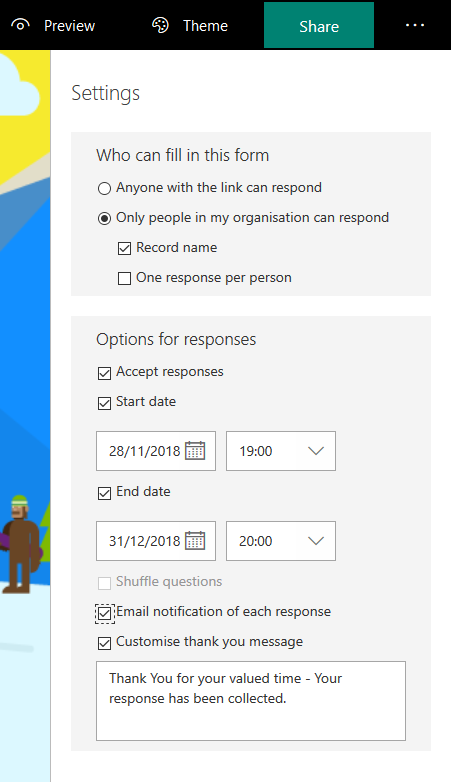
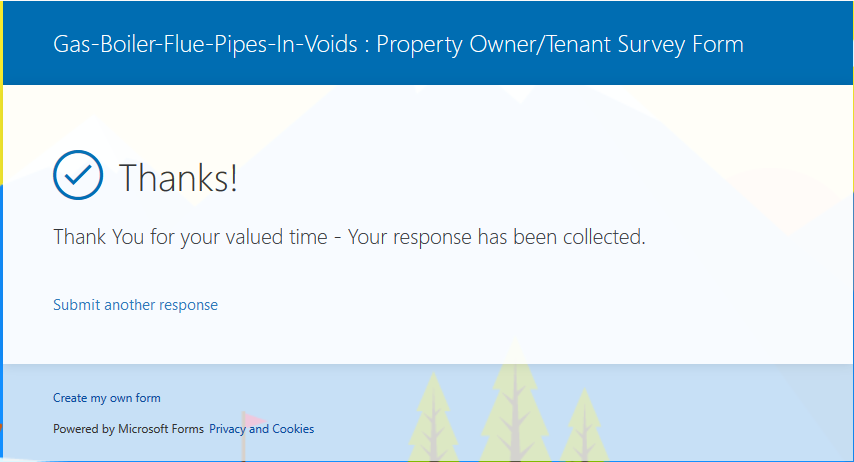


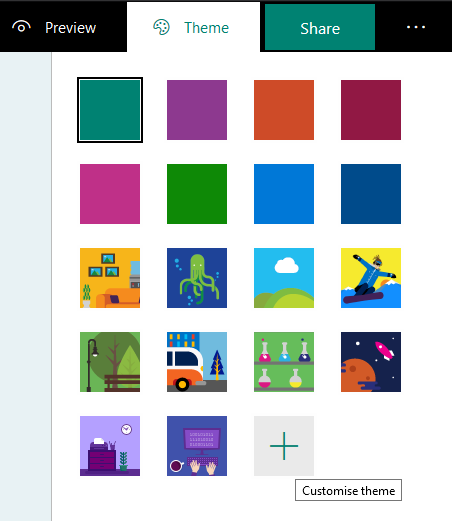
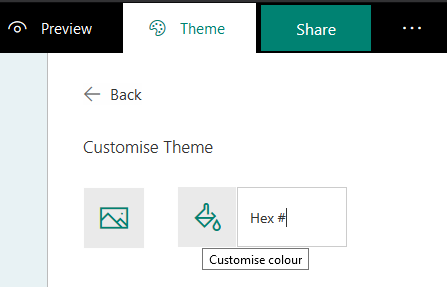


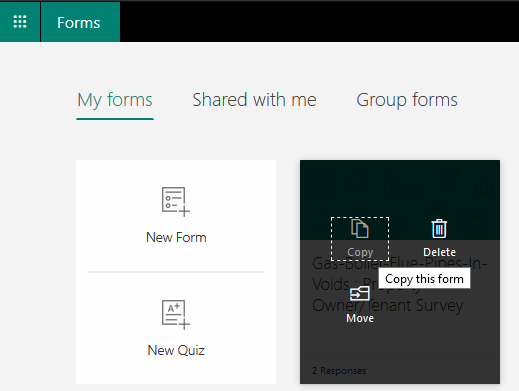
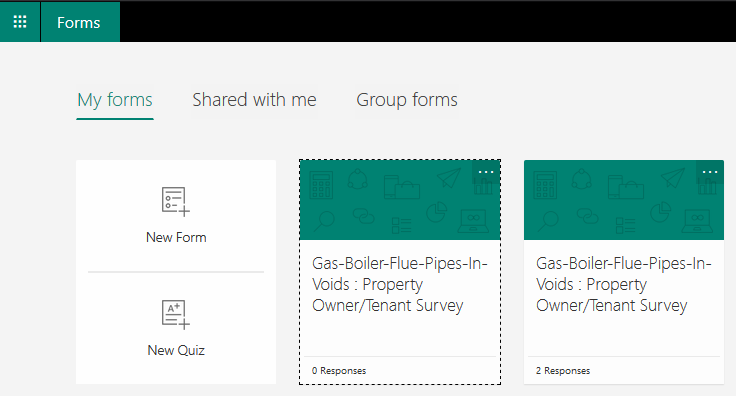
1. Likert – is like a matrix of choices for each statement/query – this is also choice oriented.

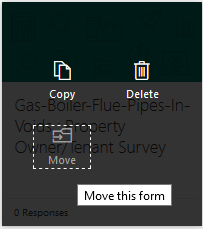
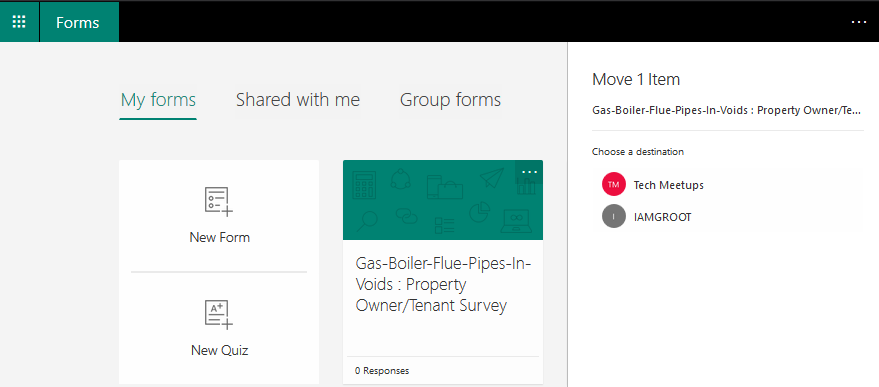
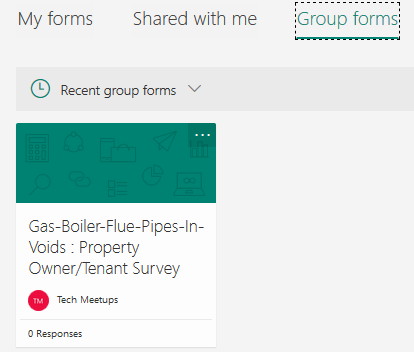


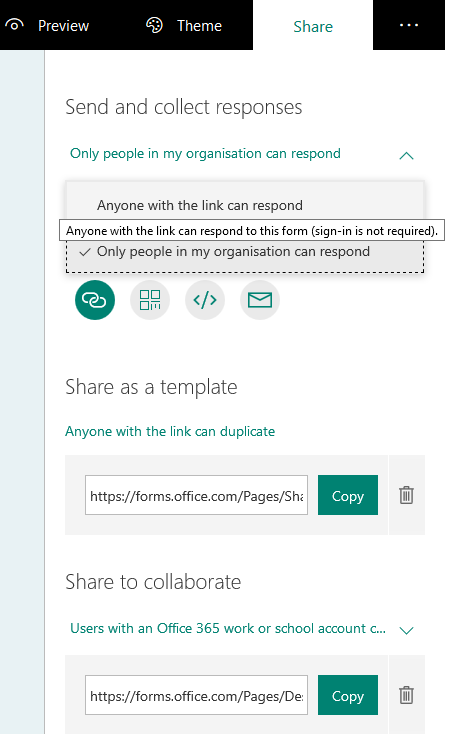
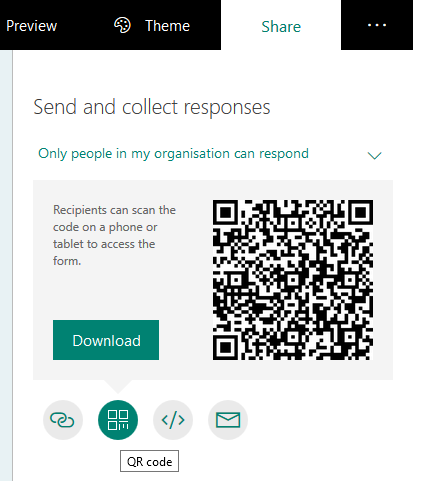
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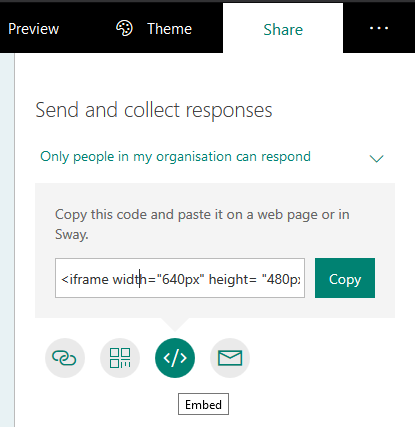
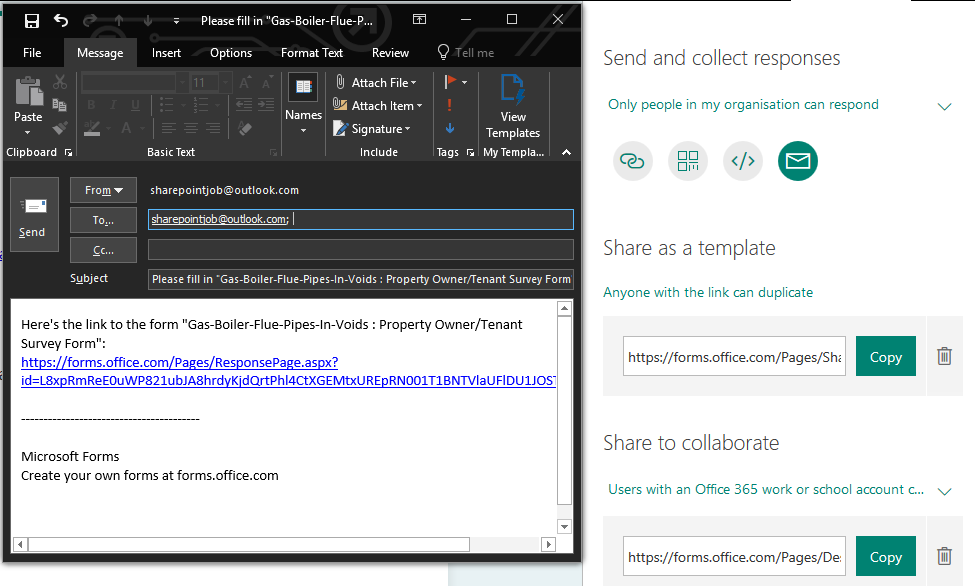
 

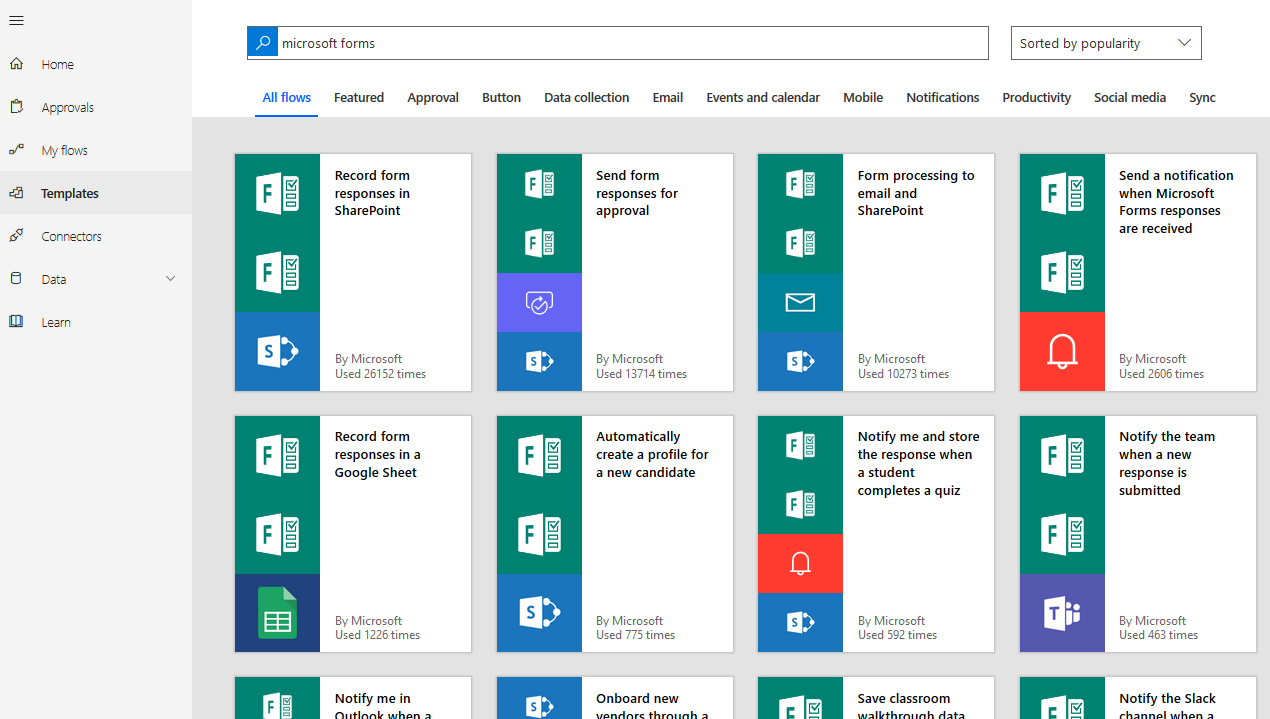
#### RESPONSES – DASHBOARD | EXPORT OPTIONS

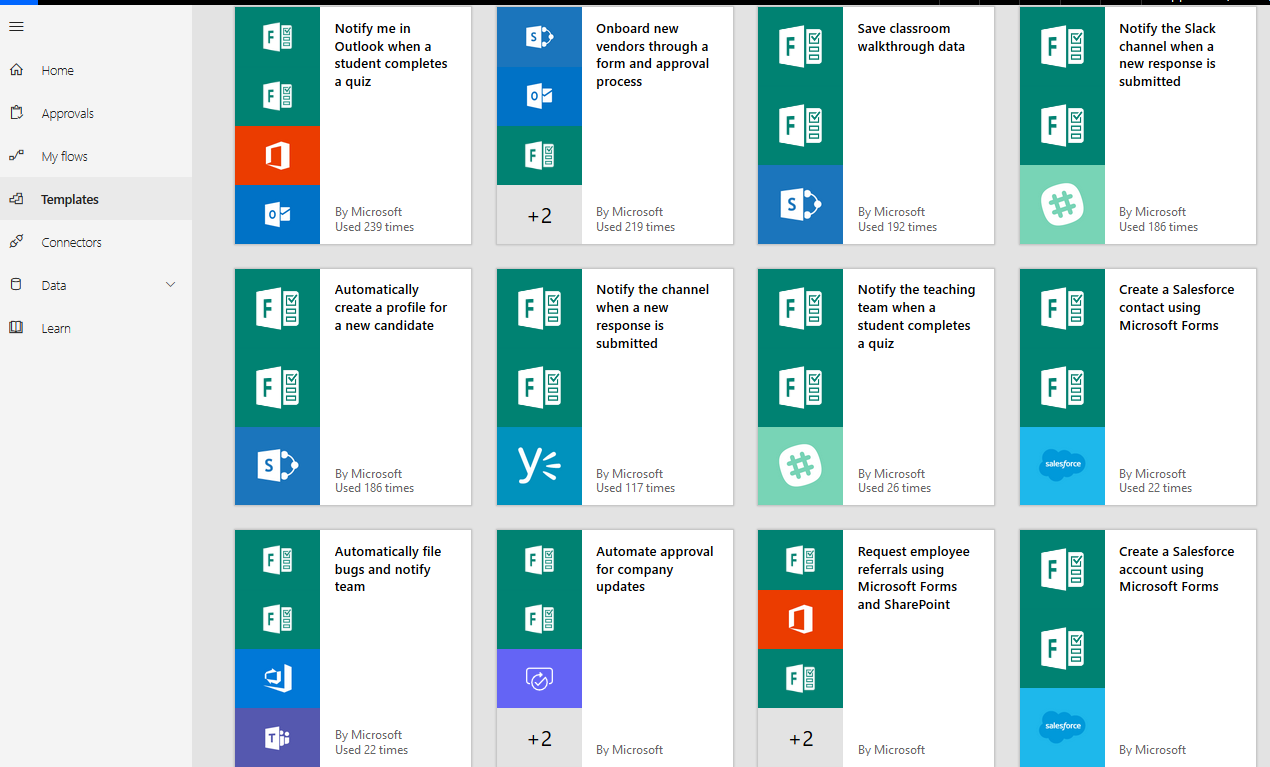
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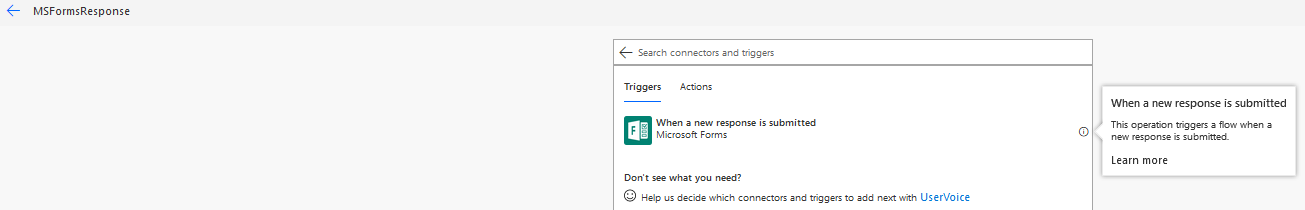
## USE MS-FLOW TRIGGER and ACTION associated with MS-FORMS

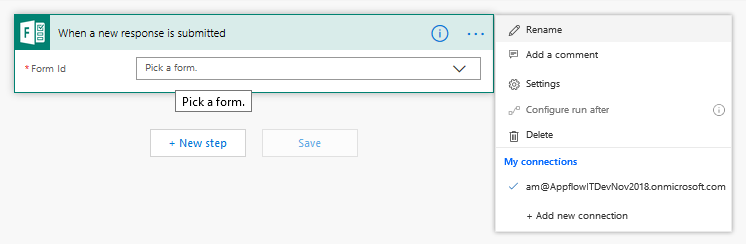
Also at: <https://flow.microsoft.com/en-us/blog/building-scratch-forms-responses/>

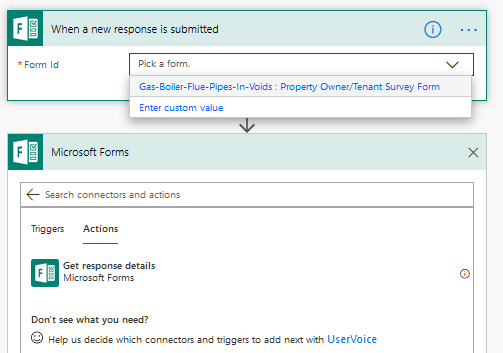
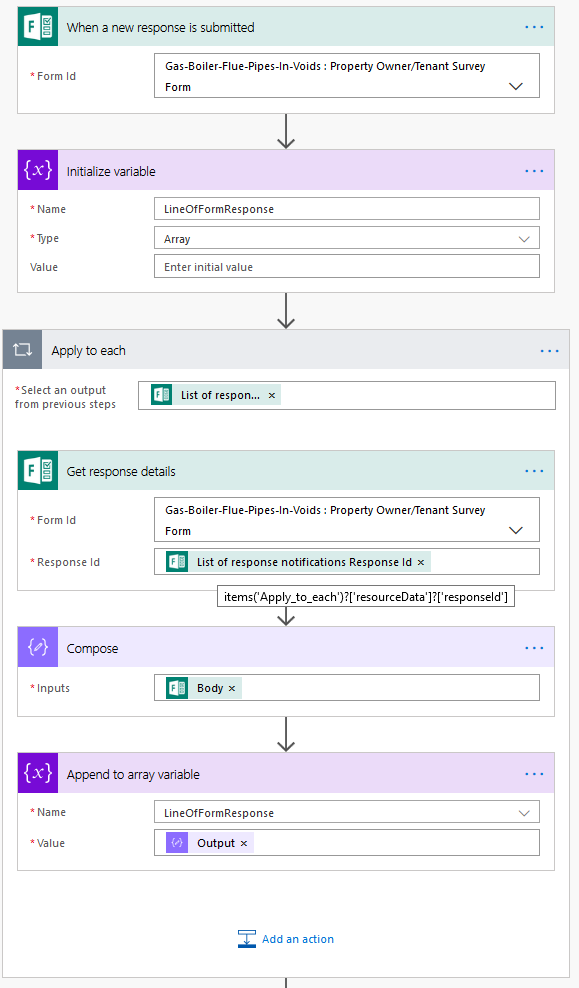


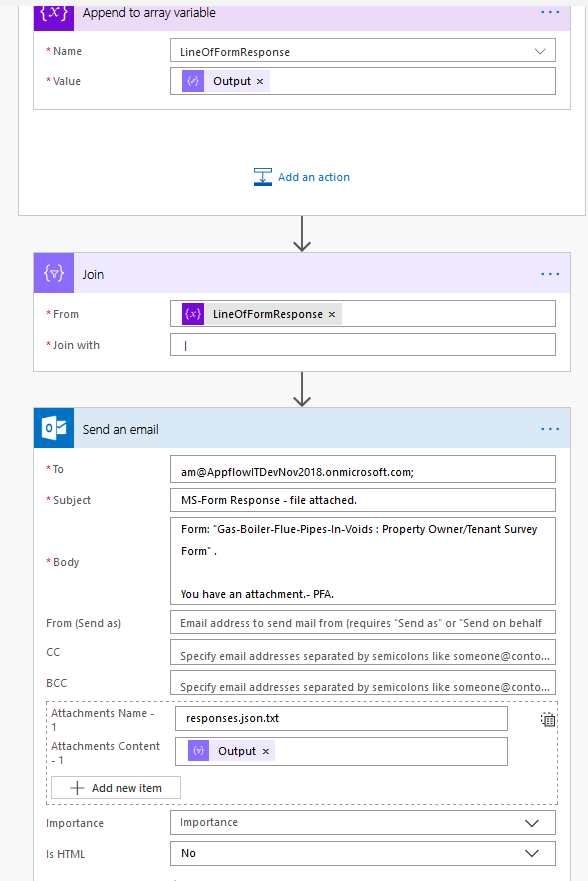


But I had already gone through with my explorations below …. But, very important decision in such design is the “trigger poll threshold” – something to lookout for. 







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2. **MS-Forms Connector-API**: <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/connectors/microsoftforms/>
3. [**MS-Forms FAQ**](https://support.office.com/en-us/article/frequently-asked-questions-about-microsoft-forms-495c4242-6102-40a0-add8-df05ed6af61c)– Microsoft answers many queries here.
4. **Blog:** [**Services Comparable**](https://blog.capterra.com/best-free-survey-tools-power-your-research/) **to MS-Flow**. *NB:* ***OUTLOOK.COM has MS-Forms (FREE)*** *option.*

1. **THINGS TO-DO WITH MS-FORMS:** [**https://support.office.com/en-us/forms/**](https://support.office.com/en-us/forms/)

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