

Issues with Online Study Tools

Problem Statement

There are not enough free software/online resources for studying that you can tailor to your needs (stuff that has a variety of options, not just one thing like flashcards or a quiz).

Details

Who?

Students, ranging from elementary to college, are struggling to find good online software or resources to study with.

What?

Many studying programs/software exist out there, but a majority are limited in their capabilities or are now behind a paywall. For example, Quizlet was one of the biggest sites students flocked to, but after 2022 all of their best programs were no longer free to use. Additionally, there are sites like Kahoot and Blooket, but they only provide students with quiz-like programs, which do not help some students when it comes to studying and reviewing.

Where?

When it's time to take exams, many students find it hard to study by just looking over their notes or reading physical flashcards. Not everyone has access to a multitude of paper or pencils to write things out, and if they get lost then the student has another problem on their hands. Online resources are a great way to keep up with many different topics, and can be organized however seems fit.

Why?

Giving students options for studying—such as flashcards, matching games, tests, or writing out definitions— could potentially boost their knowledge on the subject and help them actually learn the topics. Putting useful products behind a paywall or not providing enough methods can cause students to steer clear of them because many just don't have the time or money to put into them.