Product Requirements Document (PRD)

Educational Chatbot for High School Business Classes

Document Information

• Version: 1.1

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• Project Status: Phase 1 Complete - Core Functionality Delivered

• Next Phase: Assessment Scoring & File Generation System

1. Executive Summary

Vision

Create an Al-powered educational chatbot that facilitates dynamic warm-up and exit ticket questions for high school business classes, enabling teachers to conduct real-time formative assessments with 20-30 students simultaneously.

Success Metrics

- Support 20-30 concurrent students per session
- Generate contextually relevant questions with progressive difficulty
- Provide real-time session monitoring for teachers
- Export comprehensive assessment reports (individual .md files + consolidated CSV)

2. Product Overview

Core Value Proposition

- **For Teachers**: Streamlined session creation with structured templates, real-time student monitoring, and automated assessment generation
- For Students: Interactive learning experience with personalized difficulty progression and immediate feedback
- **For Schools**: Scalable assessment tool that enhances classroom engagement and provides datadriven insights

Target Users

- Primary: High school business teachers (grades 9-12)
- Secondary: Students in business classes
- Stakeholders: School administrators, curriculum coordinators

3. Functional Requirements

3.1 Teacher Dashboard

- Session Creation
- V Structured form with mandatory concept names and learning objectives
- Configurable session types (Pre-Assessment, Formative Check, Review Session, Unit Assessment, Final Review)
- Assessment focus area selection (Vocabulary Understanding, Concept Application, Critical Thinking, etc.)
- V Difficulty progression settings (Gradual, Adaptive, Mixed, Fixed Level)
- Additional context for recent activities or upcoming topics

Session Management

- Real-time participant monitoring
- V Live session statistics and progress tracking
- Session control (start, pause, end)
- 🔄 Assessment scoring and feedback generation (Phase 2)

3.2 Student Interface

- Session Participation
- ✓ Simple join process (name + session code)
- Real-time chat interface with Al tutor
- ✓ Progressive difficulty scaling (Basic → Scenario → Advanced)
- Responsive design for various devices

3.3 AI Chatbot Intelligence

- Conversation Management
- Context-aware responses based on session configuration
- **V UPDATED**: Concise responses (2-3 sentences for formative/review sessions)
- V Progressive difficulty adjustment based on student performance
- Real-world business examples and scenarios
- Age-appropriate content for high school students

3.4 Assessment & Reporting

- Data Collection
- Complete chat log storage with timestamps
- Question difficulty level tracking
- V Student engagement metrics
- Report Generation (Phase 2)
- 🔄 Individual student .md assessment files
- S Consolidated CSV reports for class analysis
- Understanding score calculations
- 🔄 Feedback summaries

4. Technical Requirements

4.1 Performance

- ✓ Support 20-30 concurrent users per session
- **▼** Response time < 2 seconds for chat interactions
- Real-time updates for participant tracking
- Session data persistence across browser refreshes

4.2 Scalability

- V Horizontal scaling capability through stateless design
- Database optimization for concurrent sessions
- Cloud-ready architecture for deployment

4.3 Data Management

- PostgreSQL database for structured data
- V JSON storage for flexible chat logs and session configurations
- Data retention policies for student privacy

5. User Experience Requirements

5.1 Teacher Experience

- **UPDATED**: Streamlined session creation (removed definition field, mandatory validation)
- V Intuitive dashboard with clear navigation
- Real-time visibility into student progress
- ✓ Quick session setup (< 5 minutes)

5.2 Student Experience

- **V UPDATED**: More concise chatbot responses (especially for quick assessments)
- ✓ Simple join process (< 30 seconds)
- V Engaging conversational interface
- Clear feedback on progress and difficulty level

6. Constraints & Assumptions

Technical Constraints

- W Built on Next.js 14 with TypeScript
- Uses AbacusAI LLM API for chatbot responses
- PostgreSQL database with Prisma ORM
- Responsive web application (no native mobile apps)

Business Constraints

• Target deployment: Educational institution networks

- Privacy compliance: Student data protection requirements
- Usage patterns: Classroom session durations (15-45 minutes)

7. Success Criteria

Phase 1 (COMPLETED)

- Core web application with teacher and student interfaces
- Real-time chatbot functionality with difficulty progression
- Session management and participant tracking
- Responsive design and error handling
- **V UPDATED**: Improved UX with concise responses and mandatory field validation

Phase 2 (🔄 PLANNED)

- 🔄 Assessment scoring algorithm implementation
- 🔄 Individual student report generation (.md files)
- 🔄 Consolidated class reports (CSV export)
- 🔄 Advanced analytics dashboard

Phase 3 (FUTURE)

- Integration with learning management systems
- 🔄 Advanced AI features (sentiment analysis, learning path recommendations)
- 🔄 Mobile application development
- 🔄 Multi-language support

8. Risk Mitigation

Technical Risks

- Al Response Quality: Implemented structured prompting with session context
- Concurrent User Load: Stateless architecture with database optimization
- Data Privacy: No sensitive data collection, anonymous session participation

Operational Risks

- Teacher Adoption: Intuitive interface design and comprehensive documentation
- Student Engagement: Progressive difficulty and real-world business scenarios
- Technical Support: Clear error messages and fallback mechanisms

9. Recent Updates (v1.1)

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- **Chatbot Response Optimization**: Reduced wordiness, especially for formative assessments and review sessions
- Form Simplification: Removed definition field from concept creation

- Mandatory Field Validation: Enhanced validation for concept names and learning objectives
- UI Improvements: Clear indication of required fields with asterisk (*) markers

Appendix

Business Concepts Supported

- Marketing (segmentation, targeting, positioning)
- Finance (budgeting, cash flow, investment analysis)
- Operations (supply chain, quality management)
- Entrepreneurship (business planning, market research)
- Ethics and Social responsibility

Assessment Focus Areas

- Vocabulary Understanding
- Concept Application
- Critical Thinking
- Problem Solving
- Case Study Analysis
- Real-world Connections