



## What is Mentimeter?

[www.mentimeter.com](http://www.mentimeter.com)

Mentimeter is a student response system (SRS) that uses students' own phones, tablets or computers to answer questions or give feedback during classroom lectures. It is a web based platform so there is no software to download and no hardware to purchase.

## Why Should You Use a Student Response System?

Student response systems, such as Mentimeter, have been found to enhance student engagement and increase student attention during classroom learning by allowing anonymous student responses to questions and discussion topics. It also helps faculty assess formative learning in real-time (Mayhew, 2019; Madiseh, Abdullah & Sobhanifar, 2022).

## Why should I Use Mentimeter?

Mentimeter offers multiple options of responses from students that includes multiple choice, word cloud, open ended, scales (respond to statements along a sliding scale), ranking, Q&A, and Truth or Lie. It also offers a quiz competition.

## Pricing Plans

There are multiple levels of plans offered. There is a free plan that allows for unlimited audience size and unlimited presentations but can only have two questions and five quizzes per presentation. The basic educational account is approximately \$60 per year and this does not limit the number of questions or quizzes per presentation. With this level, you can also import PowerPoint or Google presentations and export data to excel. The Pro plan is approximately \$180 per year and allows editing outside of your team and the ability to create your own branding.

## Pros to Using Mentimeter

Mentimeter gives real time anonymous feedback from students to assess their current understanding of a topic or to offer opinions. It can easily be used during in person and virtual classes. There are a wide range of ways to ask questions (word cloud, rankings, multiple choice, quiz) to match a variety of pedagogical needs. There is a free access option, though the number of questions allowed in one presentation is limited.

## Cons to Using Mentimeter

Every student needs a personal phone, tablet or computer with preferably a strong internet connection. Need a paid subscription to access all options.

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