



AnswerGarden

Collaborative Feedback Tool and Word Cloud Generator

AnswerGarden is a free, engaging, and collaborative word cloud generator. It can be used to gather feedback, capture collaborative brainstorming, build relational capacity, and increase student participation. AnswerGarden is very easy to use and updates in real time. With AnswerGarden, you can quickly receive simple feedback from any group.

In the Classroom (Grades 2–12)

- AnswerGarden is a good tool for getting brief and simple feedback from a group.
- AnswerGarden is easy to use, quick, and free, and it does not require any account login for students or teachers.
- Teachers can set it up so that students can answer a question just once or answer the same question several times.
- Teachers can use AnswerGarden to brainstorm, as an entry ticket, as an exit ticket, to make social and emotional connections, to gather information on how people are feeling, or even to vote on topics.
- AnswerGarden can be used with a single class or small group of students, or it can be used with multiple classes, multiple groups over time, or very large groups in order to gather big-picture feedback.

Site Features

- AnswerGarden is a one-trick pony. It is very simple and only allows you to ask and gather group feedback from a single question.
- AnswerGarden is a word cloud generator. The more that a word or phrase is submitted, the larger and bolder it becomes on the word cloud.
- Students access the AnswerGarden through a link and can add to it.
- AnswerGardens can be embedded in a learning management system (LMS) or website.
- An AnswerGarden can be created in less than two minutes.
- AnswerGarden allows for many students to all contribute at the same time.

Getting Started

1. Go to <https://answergarden.ch> and click on the plus sign (+) in the upper-right corner.
2. Create an AnswerGarden topic and adjust settings.
3. Click “Create,” and your AnswerGarden will be created.
4. Either copy the AnswerGarden link and share it using a system of your choice or embed the AnswerGarden in the place of your choice.

Helpful URLs

- <https://answergarden.ch/tools/>
- https://answergarden.ch/dls/answergarden_handout_factsheet_2014.pdf