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~M. David Merrill



Getting Creative with Kami

In 2014, M. David Merrill said, "With the growing popularity in e-learning, it occurred to me that the 'e' should mean more than electronic. If we are going to call it e-learning, shouldn't it be effective, efficient, and engaging?" I think we've gotten a lot better at finding tools that help learning be more effective, efficient, and engaging. One tool we explored in the EdTech Playground was Kami. Now, we all know Kami can help us fill out worksheets [insert yawn here], but there is so much more!

The easiest way to use Kami is to think of it as a <u>blank sheet of paper</u>. That's right: you can assign a blank page, a lined notebook paper, graph paper, or a music sheet. I know I often grabbed scratch paper to have students share, so if you've been missing paper, perhaps Kami is your answer! You can even change the settings so that students can share a page or you can create a page for each student. The easiest way to give each student his or her own paper would be through a <u>Kami Assignment on Google Classroom</u>.

When you create a Kami Assignment on Google Classroom, you can also <u>restrict the features</u> <u>available through Kami</u>. So if your students don't need to insert a signature, you can untick that box. Likewise, if they get distracted by adding images, you can take that option away. See how to do just that by <u>watching this video</u> and let me know how you are making learning more effective, efficient, and engaging.



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