

Classroom implementation

Khan Kids for Schools: Self-service PD—Step 4

At Khan Academy Kids, we want to make it easy for teachers to make data-informed instructional decisions. Here's how we imagine that happening:

- 1) You assign lessons that align with what you're teaching in class.
- 2) Students complete the assignments independently.
- 3) You review student scores.
- 4) Create new assignments based on those scores.

Students who scored below 50% should receive the "Basic" version of the lesson. Students who scored 50-79% should receive two "Practice" lessons and students who scored 80-99% should receive one "Practice" lessons. Students who receive 100% should move on to another concept.



Implementation ideas

But how can this be implemented realistically, in a way that doesn't take away from instructional time? We have some recommendations from current classroom teachers. Click on an idea below to learn more.

- [Keep kids busy \(and learning!\) while you lead small groups.](#)
- [Use Khan Academy Kids as a Do Now activity.](#)
- [Project Khan Academy Kids on your Smartboard or other interactive white board.](#)

- [Bring devices to whole group time and use Khan Kids for guided practice.](#)
- [Use Khan Academy Kids for independent reading or as a listening center \(Daily 5\).](#)

Keep kids busy (and learning!) while you lead small groups.



Assign lessons at the beginning of the week and ask students to work on them during small group time. To keep students focused on assignments, you can turn on a setting that requires them to complete their assignments before accessing other areas of the app.

Or, use this time to have students work on their Learning Path. It's important to use the Learning Path regularly so it can adapt to student performance more accurately.

Use Khan Academy Kids as a Do Now activity.

Start your day off on the right foot by using Khan Academy Kids as a Do Now activity. Create a routine where students enter the classroom and grab their device right away. They can either get started with the Learning Path or assignments. Kids will be excited to start their day with Kodi and friends.



Project Khan Academy Kids on your Smartboard or other interactive white board.



If you have a Smartboard or interactive white board, connect your iPad or Chromebook to project Khan Kids on the big screen. You can read books together, work through lessons together, or even use our academic videos as a refresher or introduction to new academic concepts.

Bring devices to whole group time and use Khan Kids for guided practice.

Khan Academy Kids has a creative tool complete with crayons, stickers, and the ability for students to record their voice. Use this creative tool as a mini-whiteboard that students can use to engage with whole-group guided practice activities. In the example to the right, the teacher asks students to write the sight word “use” after seeing it written on the Smartboard.



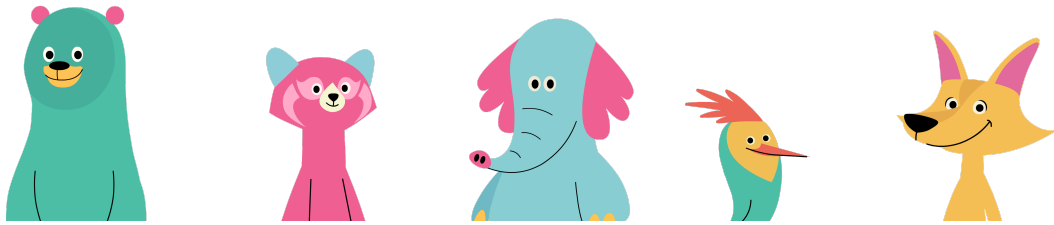
Use Khan Academy Kids for independent reading or as a listening center (Daily 5).



One of the biggest benefits of Khan Academy Kids is that students can engage with the app completely on their own. Assign a book every day for kids to listen to, or allow them to pick one on their own. All books have “Read to Me” or “Read by Myself” options for kids to choose from.

Tips to share with students

- Help them sign in on their own. Use [these slides](#) to guide them through the process.
- Explain how assignments work. When they see a red heart on their book, that means they have assignments. When they’ve finished each assignment, they’ll see a checkmark! Some teachers like to encourage students to do assignments over and over until they get a green checkmark.
- Encourage students to finish lessons the whole way through. If they press the house while they’re doing a lesson, the app won’t count it as complete and they won’t get their checkmark.
- As students finish lessons, they’ll get prizes! The mail truck comes after every few lessons and kids get to choose which Khan Academy Kids character gets a “gift.” The gift will go to the character’s room, which kids can go to later to see and play with the prizes.
- We have a little video intro you can play for your students to show them how to use the app. Click [here](#) to access it.



Congratulations, you've completed Step 4 of Khan Academy Kids self-service PD!

Now it's time for Step 5. [Click here to get started.](#)