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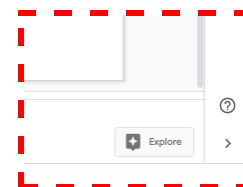
Do you have a Hot Tip to share with us? <u>Email us</u>!

<u>Cheating Alert!</u> Thanks to Google it is quite easy to share completed assignments with friends or look up answers through the "explore" button found on the bottom of each classroom assignment.

It allows students to type in the homework document question and pull up the answer instantly.

Collaborating and researching are great practices for those needing additional support to learn. But, what if the student just copies and pastes it in as their own?

Here are some tips on how to catch when this happens.

1. Have a sentence/answer that looks familiar? Copy and paste it into the search bar in your Drive folder. This will pull up any other student documents that have that same sentence in it.

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2. If you share assignments with another teacher, consider being "teachers" on each others' Google Classrooms. This will allow you to catch cheating across teachers when you use the search bar.

3. Feel like students copied and pasted their answers from somewhere? Try the Draftback extension. It allows you to watch how a document was filled in (word by word, or in big chunks). You need to have editing access to a document for this to work. This also shows you when and for how long a student worked in a document. Check out this video.

High School teachers: remember that cheating should be written up as a referral for discipline so it can be tracked across teachers and years to catch repeat offenders.

Brain Break!