A Virtual Dogfight: Piloting an iPad 1:1

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(either now to follow along or later to refer)

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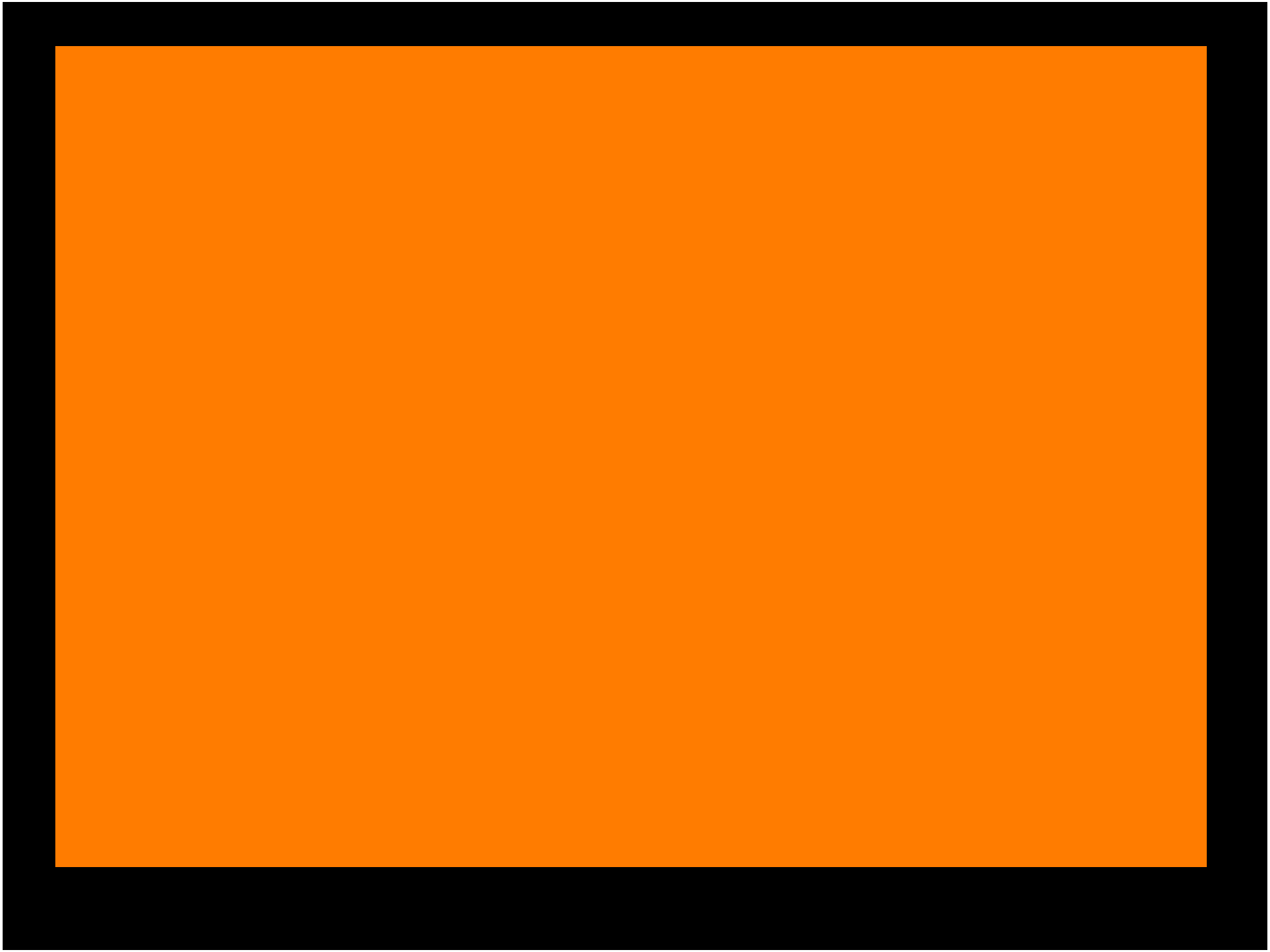
Also, if you have an iOS device, you can follow along using the app Nearpod, a free donwload (more on that later).



A caveat:

This was a pilot.

We did not adopt iPads for our 1:1.

(MacBook Airs instead)

If you're looking for long term effects, policies, approaches, etc., this isn't the place.

What we did do:

Give each student in a class of 20 college-level senior English students an iPad + keyboard/ case.

Not give the other section of college-level senior English an iPad.

What I Hope

- Discourse / discussion about 1:1 in general, and specifically the iPad as a 1:1 device. Please ask questions, stop me, challenge, etc.

Outline

- Background
- Logistics / Set-up
- Apps / Getting Things Done
- Conceptual Issues
- The Decision

Set-up / Background

- Why iPads / why me?
- Finances
- Student and Parent Prep
- Choosing the Pilot Class
- Ground Rules
- Apps
- Safeguards / Insurance

Why iPads? Why me?

- 1:1 had been considered for 2-3 years prior to this year.
- I had been piloting the iPad as a teacher tool.
- Tech Dept. approached me to run a pilot to assess the iPad as a 1:1 tool.
- My only requirement was that students keep them entirely for the year, i.e. that they not be cart-based.
- I don't mind experimenting and, more important, I don't mind things not working perfectly.

Why iPads? Bancroft School's Answer

http://www.bancroftschool.org/page.cfm?p=3867

Why Bancroft Chose the iPad

- The iPad allows Bancroft to implement 1:1 learning using a device that is unobtrusive in a classroom setting.
- The iPad has many of the same capabilities as a computer, but it is light and portable which makes it easy to carry in a backpack.
- The iPad allows students and teachers to create and present content in a multimedia manner, sound, video, graphics are easy to integrate using various apps on the iPad.
- The 10-hour battery life of the iPad means that students can use their device for the entire school day before needing to recharge.
- The iPad allows students instant access to their information; which reduces the amount of downtime in the classroom.
- Instant access on the iPad allows students and teachers to capture just-in-time learning opportunities.
- Virtually unlimited access to primary source data.
- Students can collaborate and share information in the cloud. Google docs, drop box make idea sharing and group work easy and paper free.
- The audio capabilities make it easy for teachers to share sound files with students and for students to share their recorded responses.
- Using the iPad helps teachers address All Kinds of Minds learning styles - auditory, visual, and kinesthetic.
- The iPad gives students a wider range of possibilities for expressing themselves. Now not every student in a class has to write a poem or draw a picture, they can compose music, animate a character, create a mash-up of all of them.
- Textbooks are no longer limited to delivering information to a reading audience. Information is delivered in a multimedia manner using audio, video, interactive demonstrations and games.
- The wide variety of apps available makes the iPad a truly personal learning tool. Each student can choose the apps that make the most sense for their learning style.
- Anywhere, anytime access to the Internet gives students the opportunity to learn wherever they are on/off campus.
- Using the iPad is intuitive for students, they can self manage the device. Minimal tech support is needed.
- Many of the novels that students read for English, History and other classes are available on the iPad. Many of these are free. Textbooks are becoming increasingly available.
- Data collection is immediate with the iPad. Students can enter data or hook up probes to the iPad that allow for data collection directly to the device.
- Students can take notes in a variety of ways without disrupting others. Using a traditional keyboard can often be distracting, but using the touch screen on the iPad can be done quietly.
- Students can also choose to record lectures or dictate their own notes while reading a textbook.
- Assistive technology settings on the iPad make it easy for a wide range of students with a wide range of special needs to use the device.

Finances

- Paid for out of the technology budget

Student and Parent Prep

- Announced it to class in mid-September.
- At parents' night, had a meeting at the end for interested parents.
- Parents received agreement form, which students returned.
- Followed the Burlington High School model, whereby students are responsible for syncing their iPads at home rather than at school.

Choosing the Class

- College English 4
  - 2 sections (only of my classes w/ 2 sections)
  - One with iPads; one without
  - One without = a control section; little hard data but at least an anecdotal comparison between the two sections
- College students tend to be less motivated; perhaps the iPad could change that

Ground Rules

- always have the iPad on mute unless otherwise specified
- no headphones unless specified
- no games in class (at least no audible expressions of triumph)

Apps

- - Office2 (9.99)
  - Dropbox (free)
  - PreziViewer (free)
  - Dictionary.com (free)
  - Evernote (free)
  - WordPress (free)
  - iBooks (free)
  - Good Reader (free version)

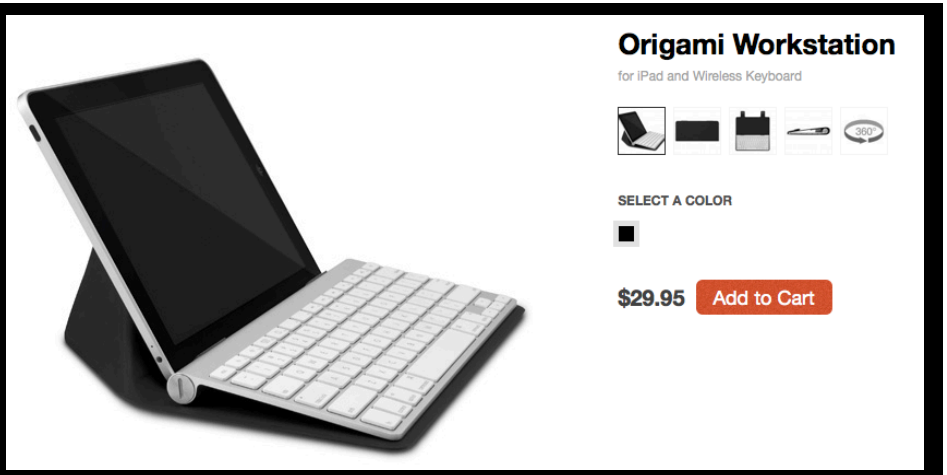
  - Friday Night Lights ebook (6.99)

- This is $17 worth of materials. I might be asking you to buy a more advanced .pdf reader (we'll see) and perhaps a document sharing app (letting me show presentations or documents on your iPads). I have to research to these to see what the features are and if one might work. But we'll start here.

Safeguards / Insurance

The Keyboard

- I tested four keyboards for the pilot:
- Apple's wireless keyboard with InCase's Origami Workstation
- Kensington KeyFolio iPad Case & Keyboard
- ZaggFolio iPad 2 Keyboard & Case
- Logitech Keyboard Case for Zagg



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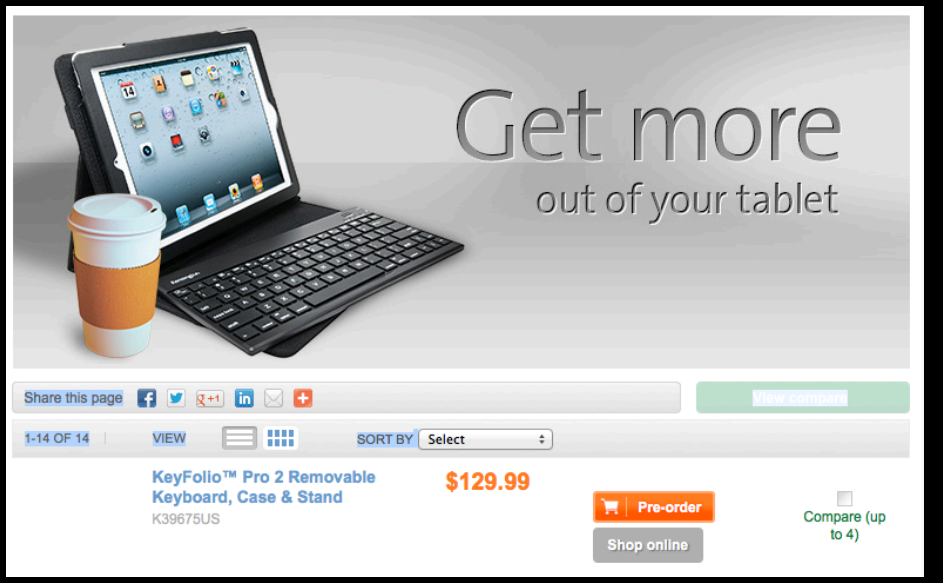

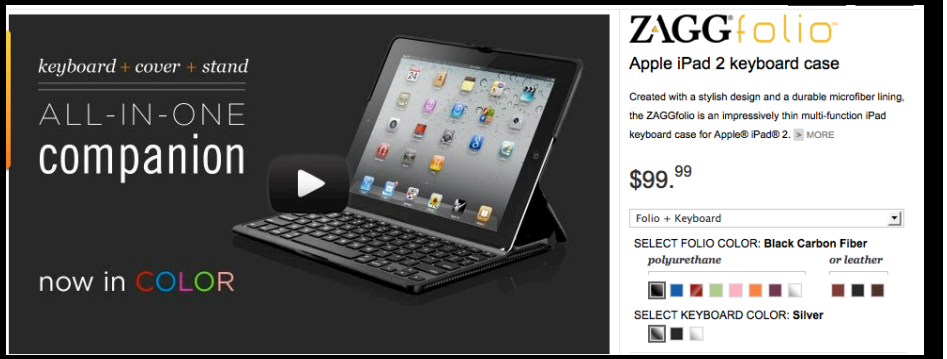

Apps

- Word Processing: Office2HD
- [Word Processing: Pages?]
- Notes: Evernote
- Notes: Noteshelf
- .pdfs: .pdfNotes
- Books: iBooks
- Distribution & Collection: Dropbox

Apps for Comparison: Bancroft School (Worcester, MA)

http://www.bancroftschool.org/page.cfm?p=3649

Required apps for students grades 6 - 12

Name	Decription	Price
Pages	A powerful word processing application. Offers the ability to export documents to Microsoft Word, or PDF.	$9.99
Keynote	Create presentations that include animations and transitions. Offers the ability to export presentations to Microsoft PowerPoint, or PDF.	$9.99
Numbers	A spreadsheet application. Offers the ability to export documents to Microsoft Excel, or PDF.	$9.99
GoodReader	A robust PDF reader and more. Allows for file sharing, annotations, and file management.	$4.99
iThoughtsHD	iThoughts is a mind mapping app for the iPad. Visually organize your thoughts, ideas and information.	$9.99
Notability	Our choice for the best notetaking app. Allows for writing, typing, and recording. Notability auto-syncs your notes so they are always backed up.	$0.99
Explain Everything	Explain Everything is an easy-to-use design tool that lets you annotate, animate, and narrate explanations and presentations.	$2.99
iMovie	iMovie, the fast and fun moviemaking app that puts everything you need to tell your story at your fingertips.	$4.99
StudyBlue	Create flashcards for fast feedback on what you know, then re-study concepts you've not yet mastered. StudyBlue makes it easy to add images and audio.	Free
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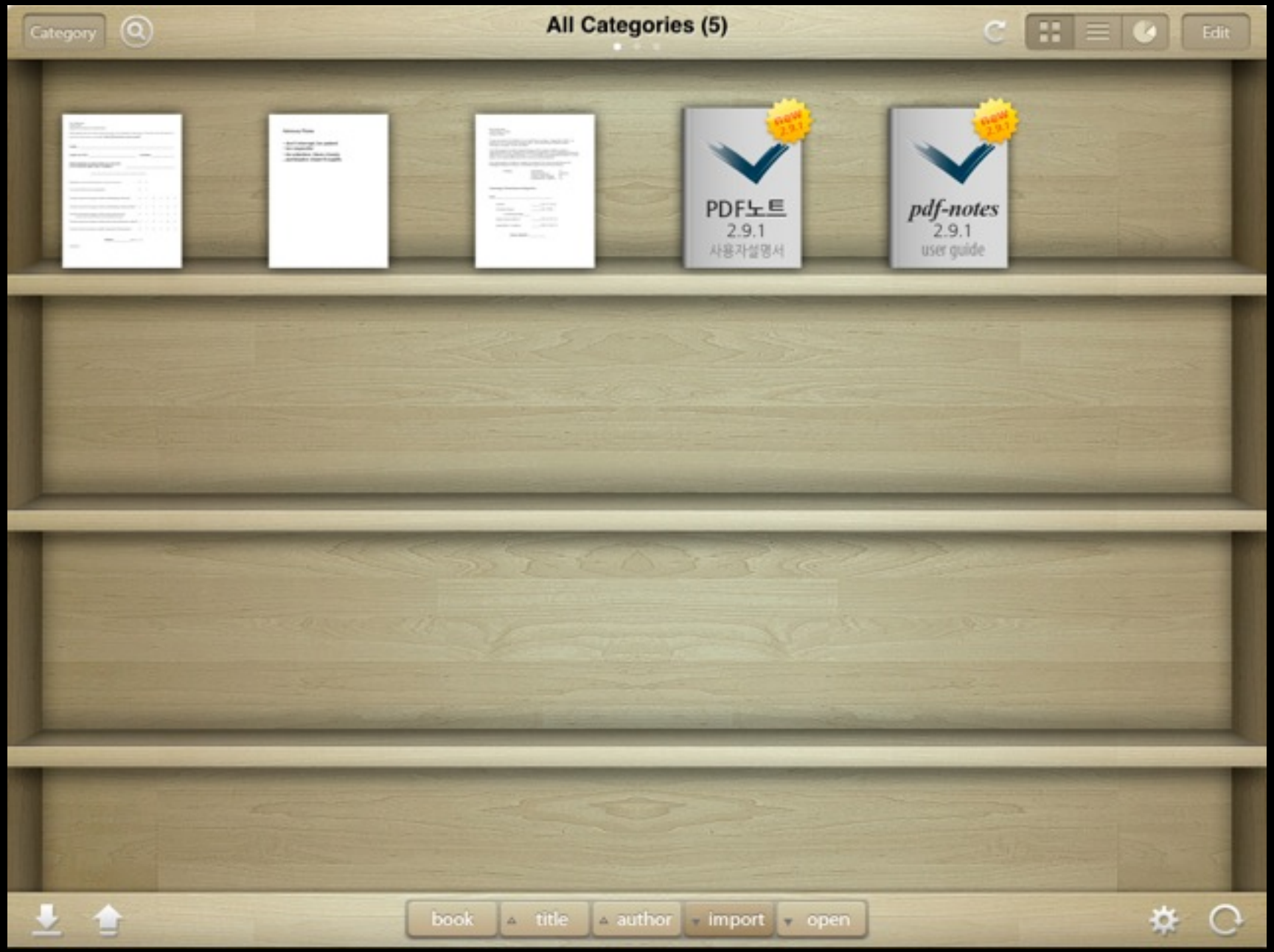
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Cubism Project

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Your final product should include 20 shapes (40 for honors). Make certain to understand that your composition should be composed of a few complicated elements rather than a lot of simple elements, i.e. you should provide detailed 'cubisms' of your objects, not simple reductions that are obvious and predictable.

Your final product should not simply by outlined, but colors should be used to distinguish shapes and layers. (Obviously shapes can and will overlap.)

Grading:		
	punctuality	15
	minimum shapes	40 (20*2)
	shapes clearly defined	25
	presentation / neatness	20

Archaeology Cubism Project Grading Sheet

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minimum shapes	40	(40 / 20*2))
# of missing shapes	25	
shapes clearly defined		(25, 19, 13, 7, 0)
presentation / neatness	15	(20, 15, 10, 5, 0)

FINAL GRADE: 95

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Assessment

- Socrative: "Socrative is a smart student response system that empowers teachers to engage their classrooms through a series of educational exercises and games via smartphones, laptops, and tablets." [from the website]
- eClicker
- Promethean ActivEngage

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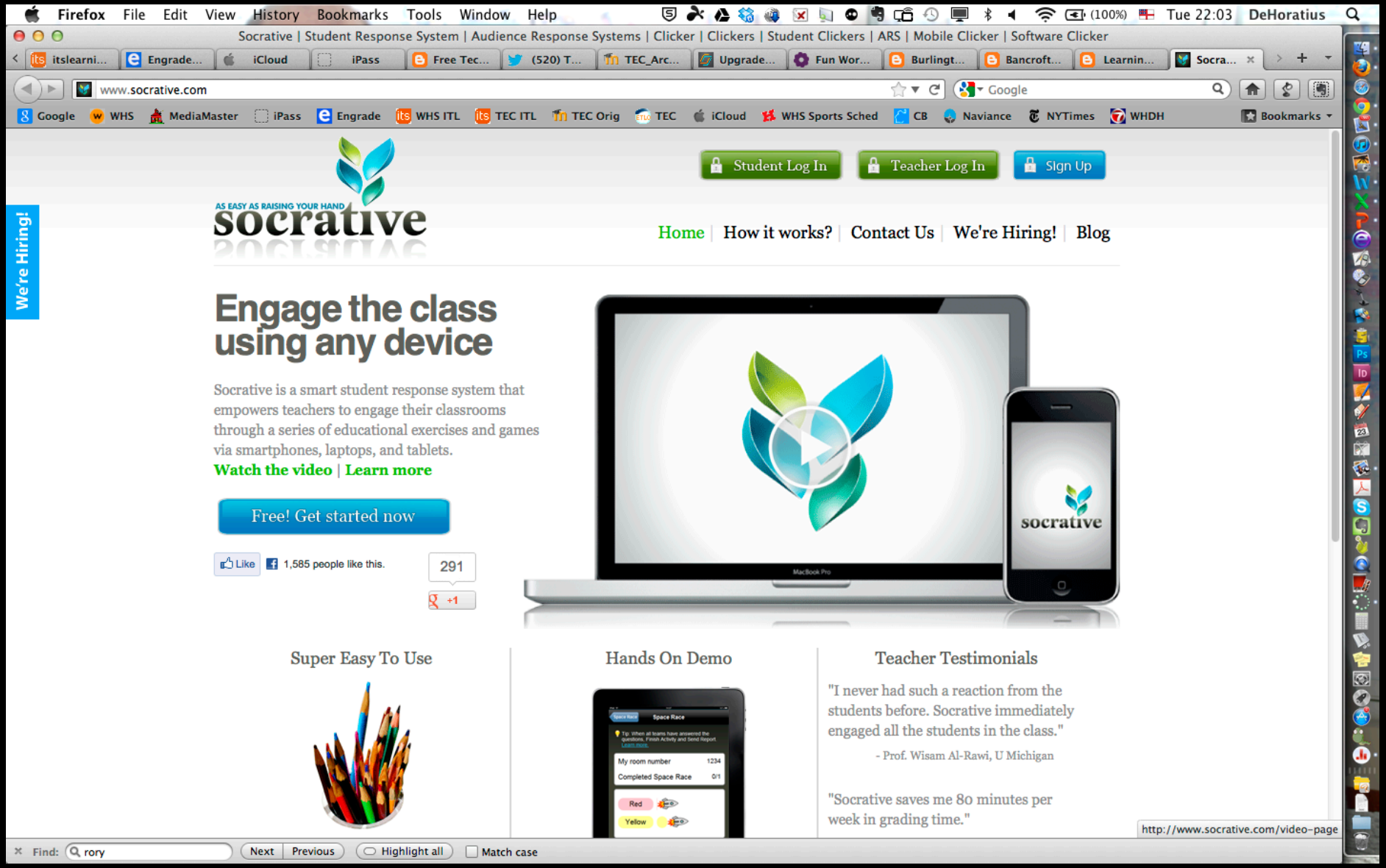
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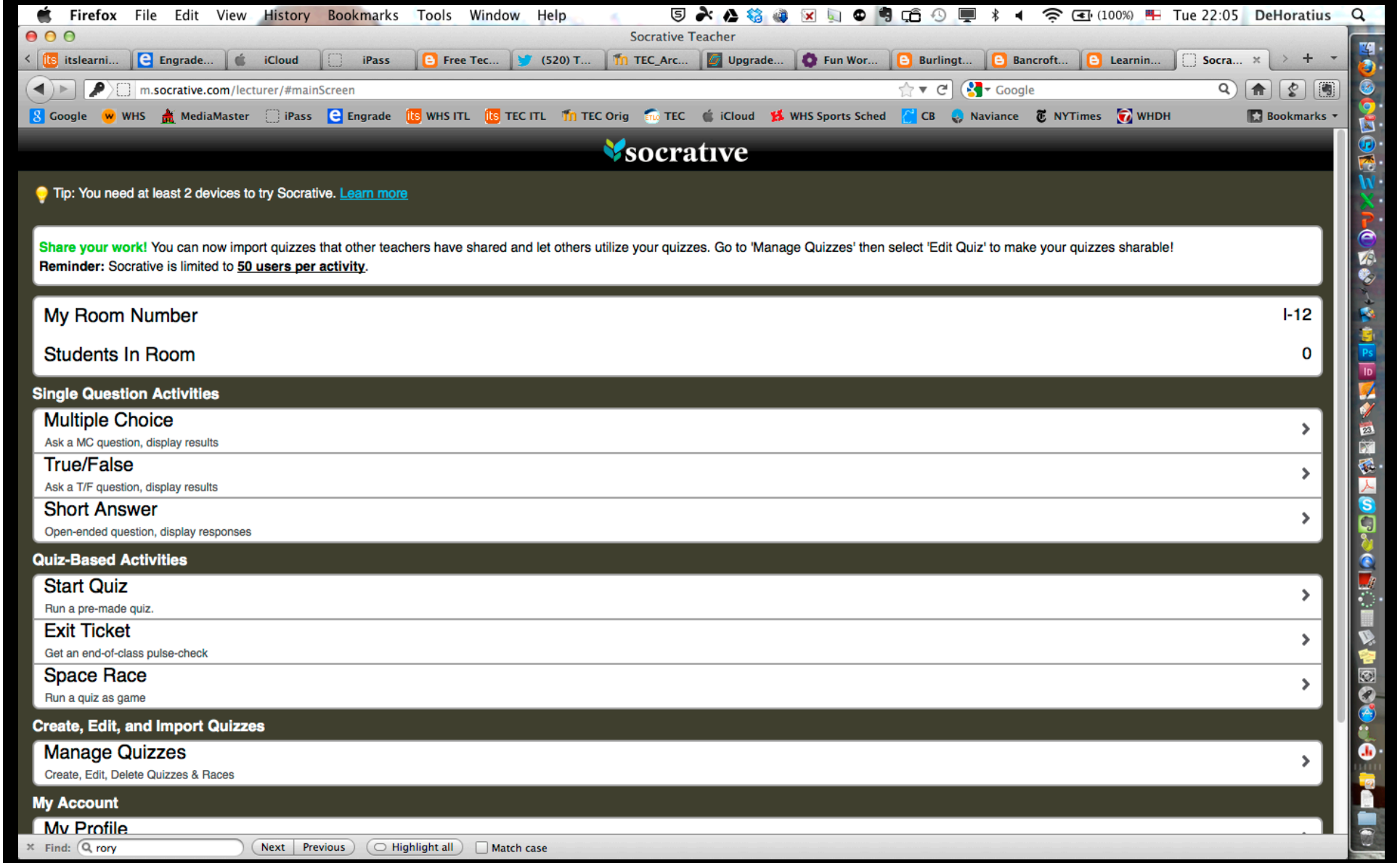
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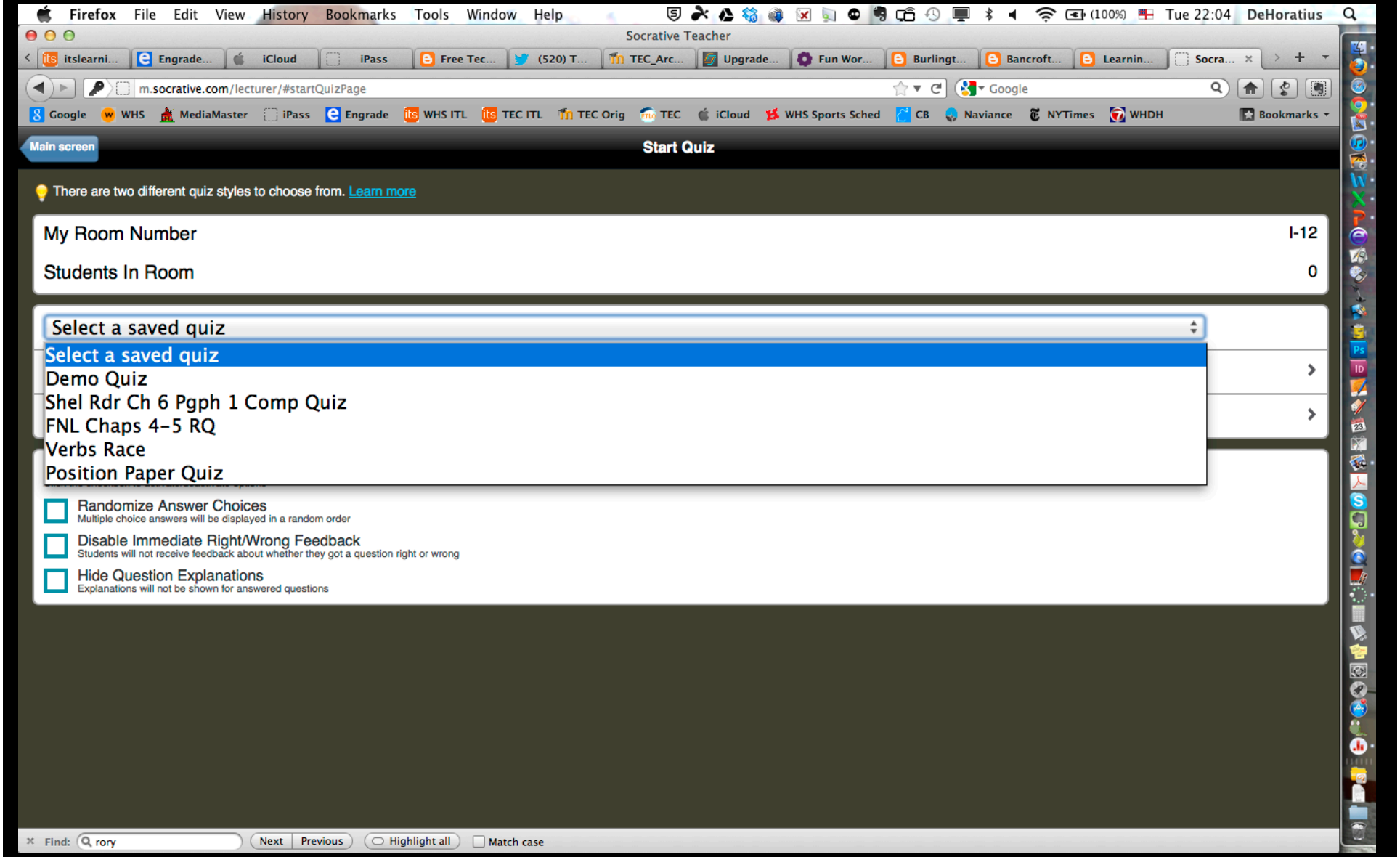
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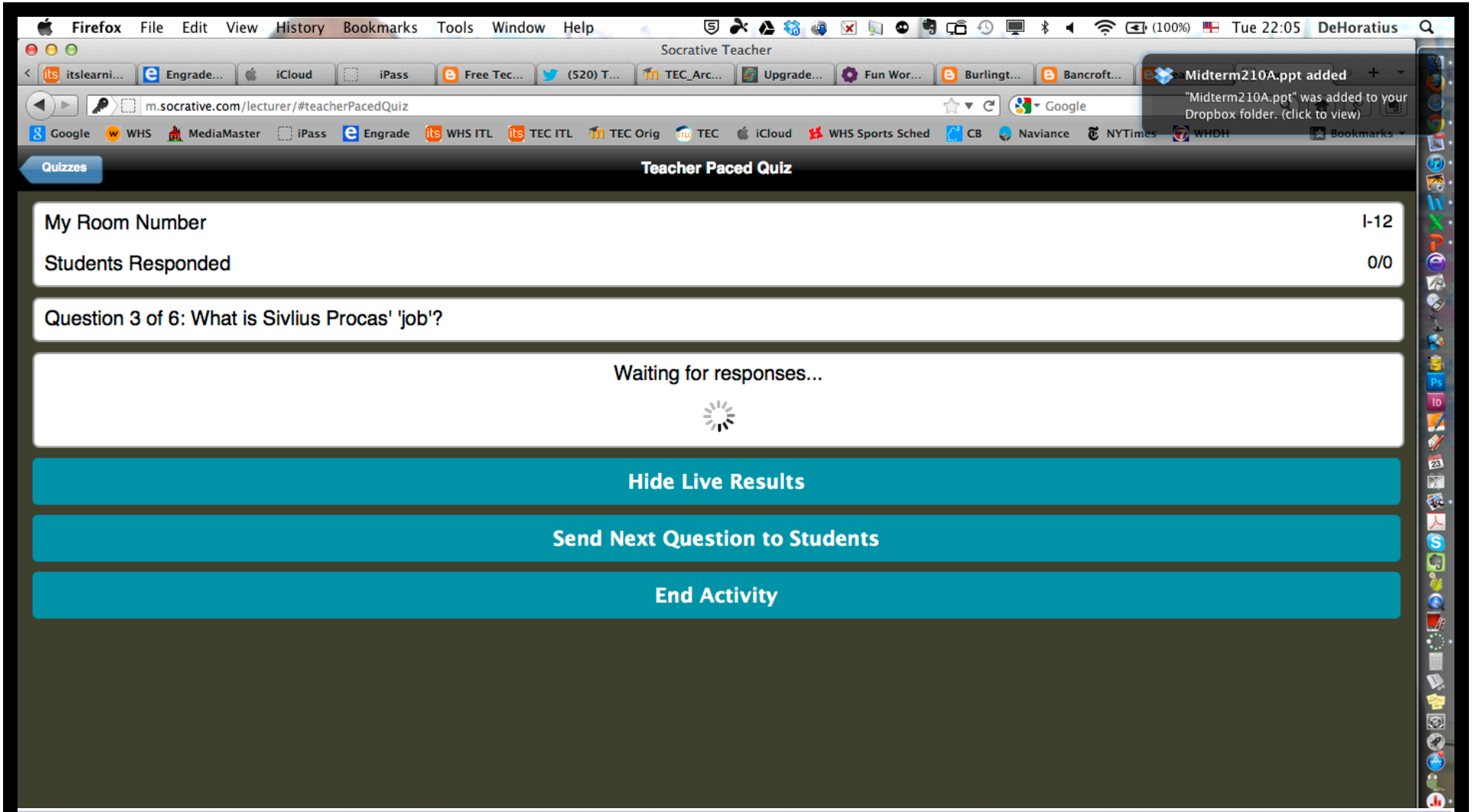

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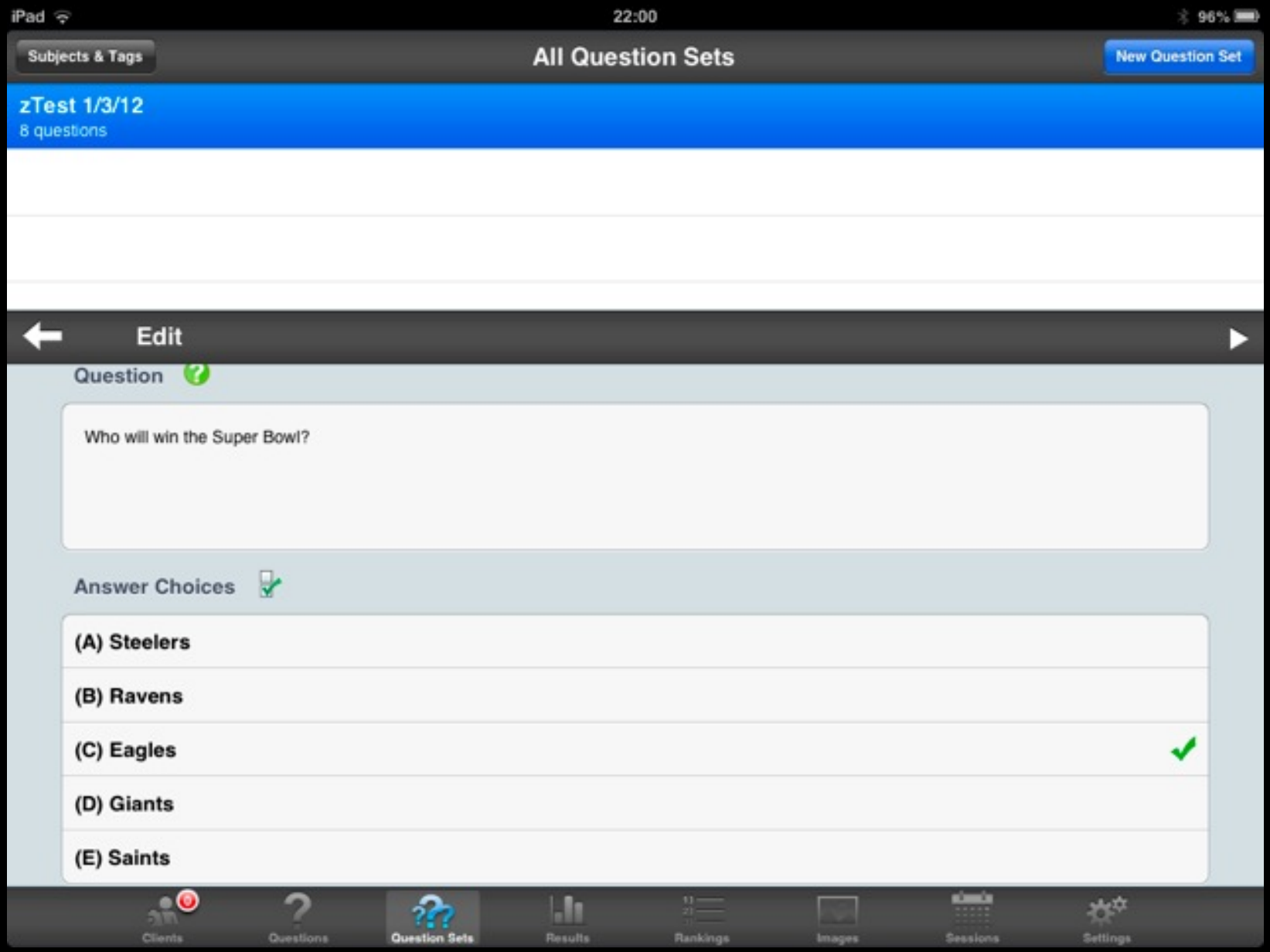
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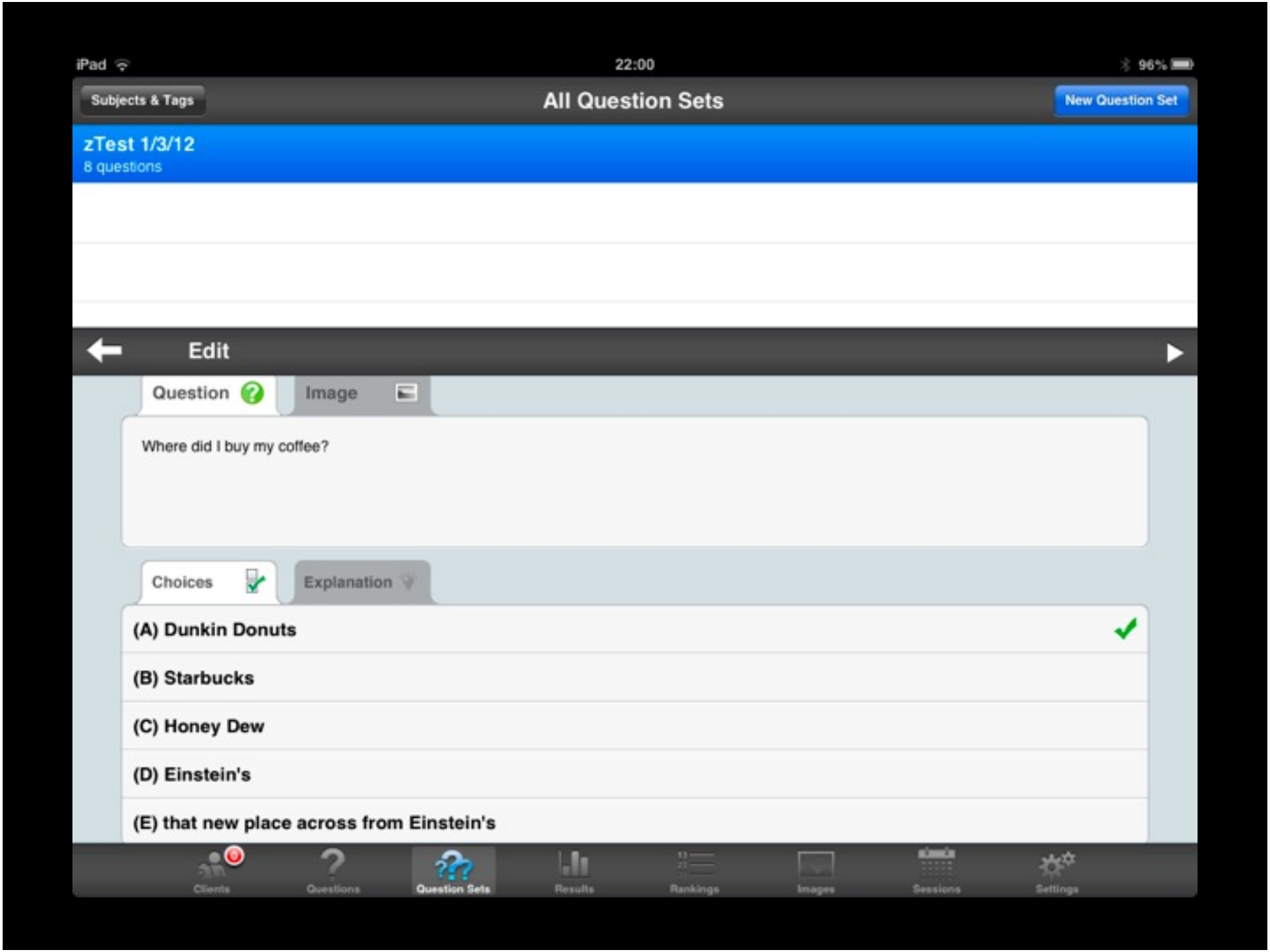
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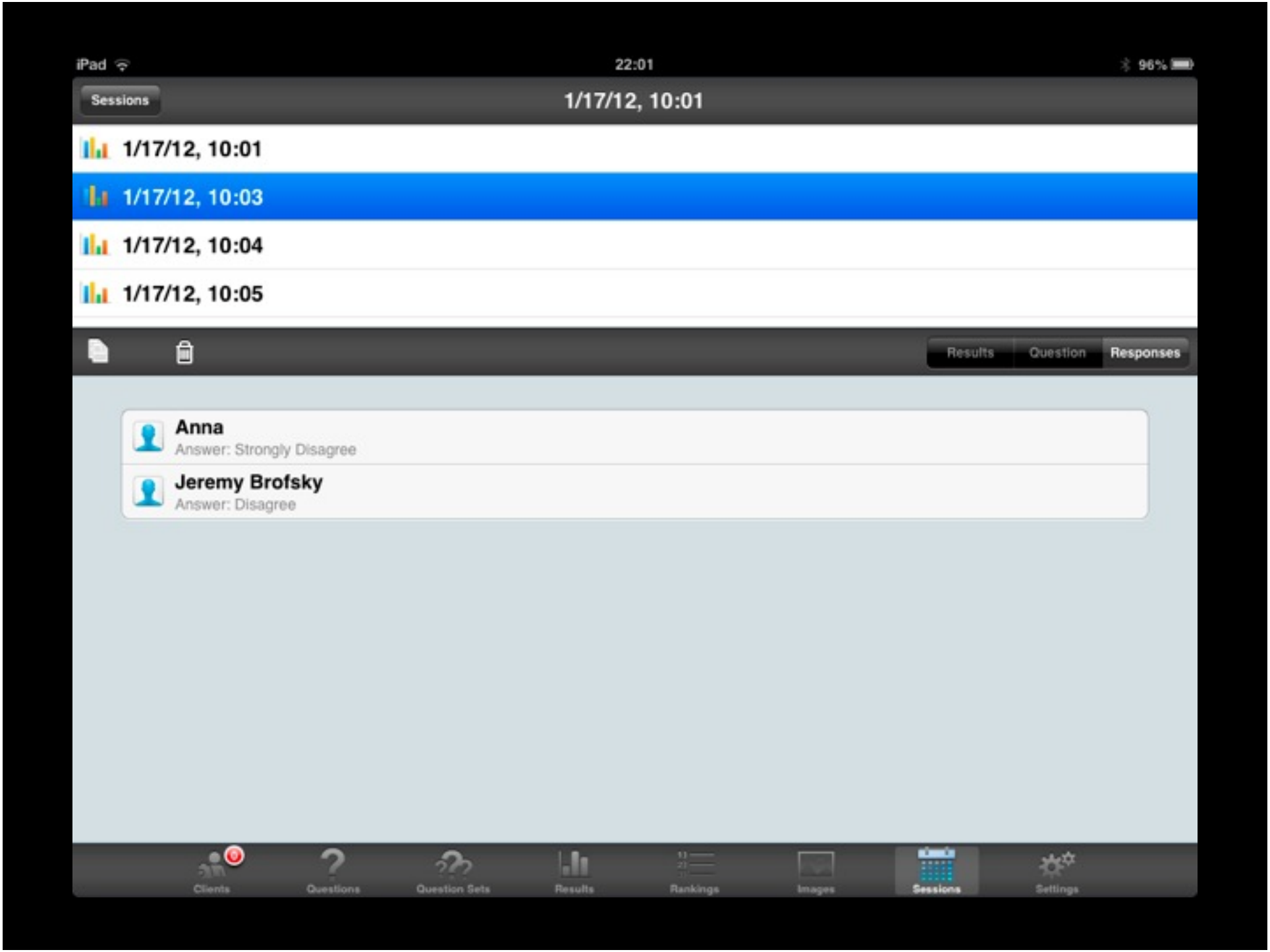
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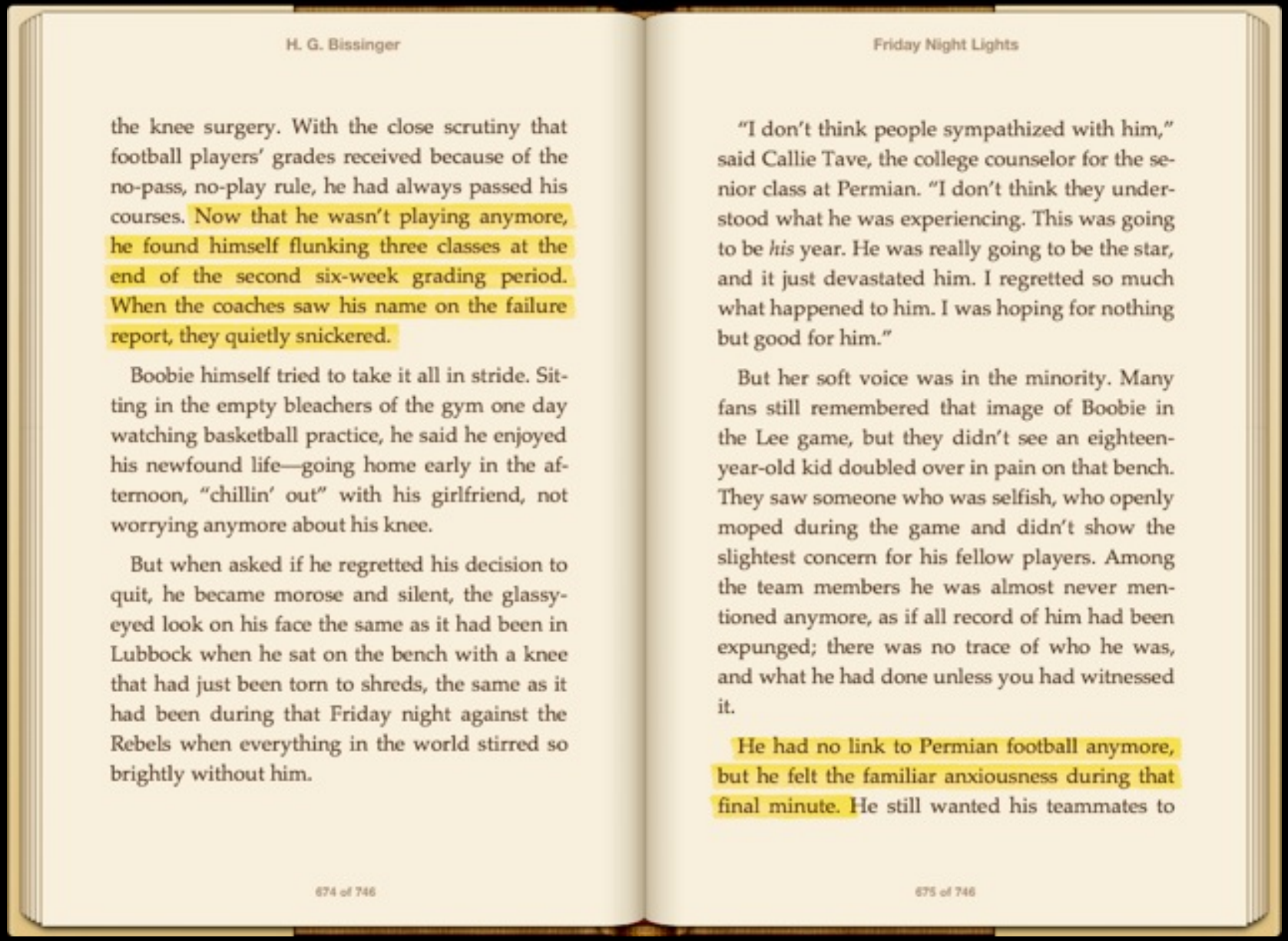

the knee surgery. With the close scrutiny that football players' grades received because of the no-pass, no-play rule, he had always passed his courses. Now that he wasn't playing anymore, he found himself flunking three classes at the end of the second six-week grading period. When the coaches saw his name on the failure report, they quietly snickered.

Boobie himself tried to take it all in stride. Sitting in the empty bleachers of the gym one day watching basketball practice, he said he enjoyed his newfound life—going home early in the afternoon, "chillin' out" with his girlfriend, not worrying anymore about his knee.

But when asked if he regretted his decision to quit, he became morose and silent, the glassy-eyed look on his face the same as it had been in Lubbock when he sat on the bench with a knee that had just been torn to shreds, the same as it had been during that Friday night against the Rebels when everything in the world stirred so brightly without him.

"I don't think people sympathized with him," said Callie Tave, the college counselor for the senior class at Permian. "I don't think they understood what he was experiencing. This was going to be *his* year. He was really going to be the star, and it just devastated him. I regretted so much what happened to him. I was hoping for nothing but good for him."

But her soft voice was in the minority. Many fans still remembered that image of Boobie in the Lee game, but they didn't see an eighteen-year-old kid doubled over in pain on that bench. They saw someone who was selfish, who openly moped during the game and didn't show the slightest concern for his fellow players. Among the team members he was almost never mentioned anymore, as if all record of him had been expunged; there was no trace of who he was, and what he had done unless you had witnessed it.

He had no link to Permian football anymore, but he felt the familiar anxiousness during that final minute. He still wanted his teammates to

most like a phantom. Coach Gaines, who spent almost as much time dealing with parents as he did with the players, had never met her.

Mike himself almost never talked of his mother, and he was reluctant to let people into his home, apparently because of its condition. "He never wants me to come in," said his girlfriend, DeAnn. "He never wants me to be inside, ever." When they got together it was over at his grandmother's, and that's where his yard sign was, announcing to the world that he was a Permian football player.

"Me and him talked about not havin' a nice home or a nice car and how those things were not important," said Joe Bill. "I told him, you make your grades and stay in sports, you'll one day have those things."

Mike persevered, a coach's dream who worked hard and became a gifted student of the game of football, just as he had in baseball with his father. The one ceaseless complaint was that he thought too much, and he knew that was

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most like a phantom. Coach Gaines, who spent almost as much time dealing with parents as he did with the players, had never met her.

Mike himself almost never talked of his mother, and he was reluctant to let people into his home, apparently because of its condition. "He never wants me to come in," said his girlfriend, DeAnn. "He never wants me to be inside, ever." When they got together it was over at his grandmother's, and that's where his yard sign was, announcing to the world that he was a Permian football player.

"Me and him talked about not havin' a nice home or a nice car and how those things were not important," said Joe Bill. "I told him, you make your grades and stay in sports, you'll one day have those things."

Mike persevered, a coach's dream who worked hard and became a gifted student of the game of football, just as he had in baseball with his father. The one ceaseless complaint was that he thought too much, and he knew that was

true, that whenever he threw the ball he didn't just wing it, go with his instincts, but sometimes seemed to agonize over it, a checklist racing through his mind even as he backpedaled—*be careful . . . get the right touch now . . . watch the wrist, watch the wrist! . . . don't overthrow it now, don't throw an interception. . . .*

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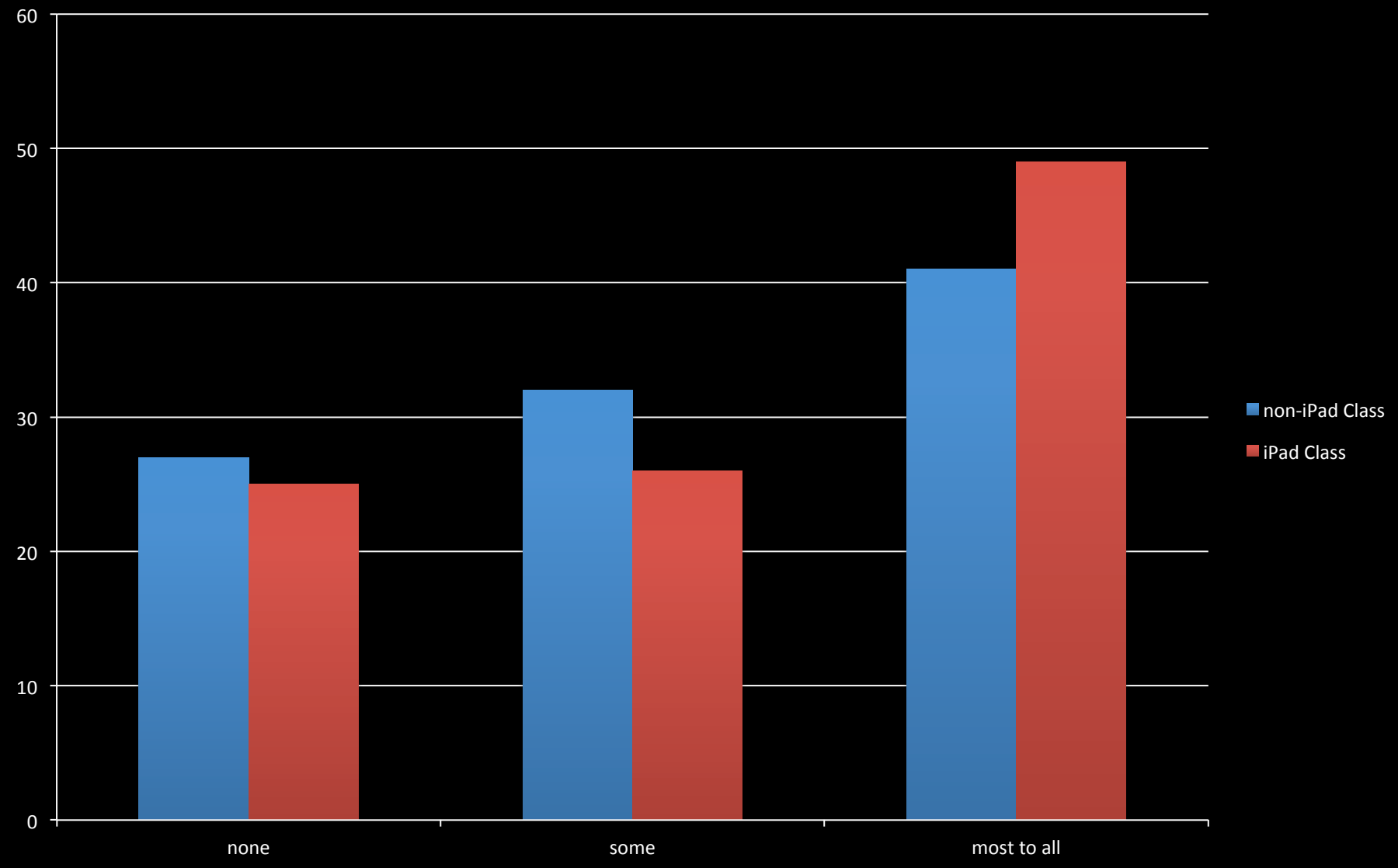

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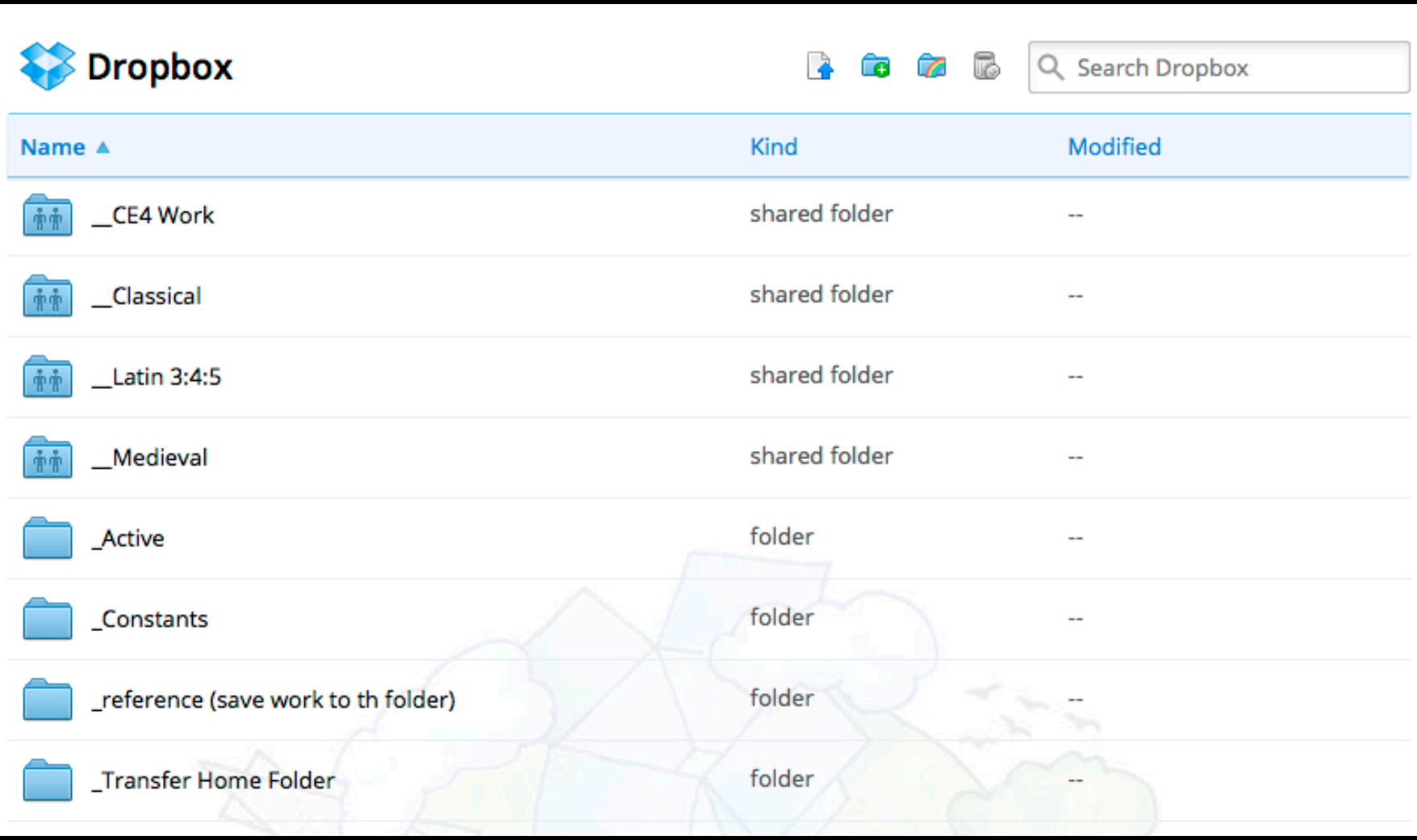
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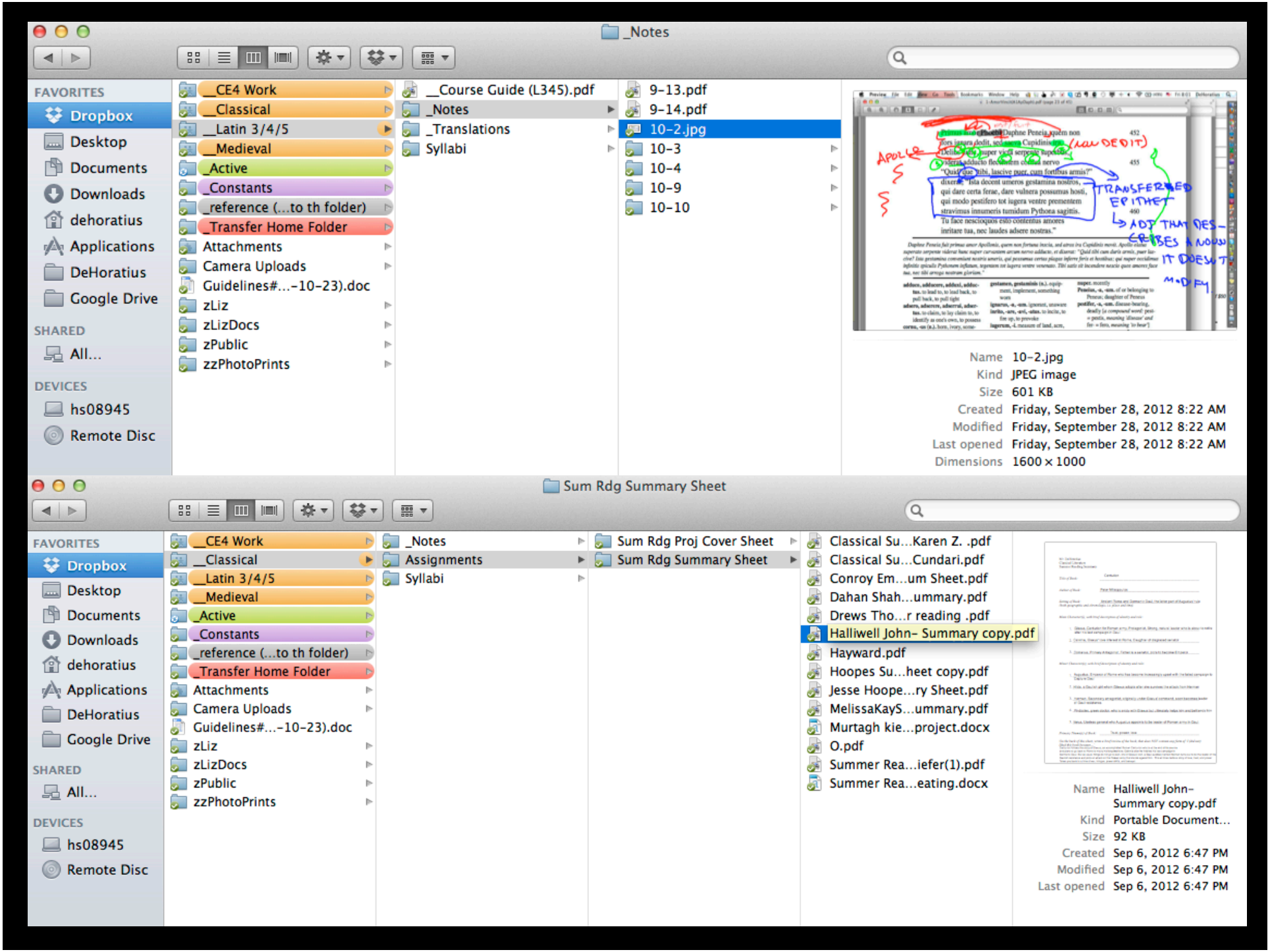
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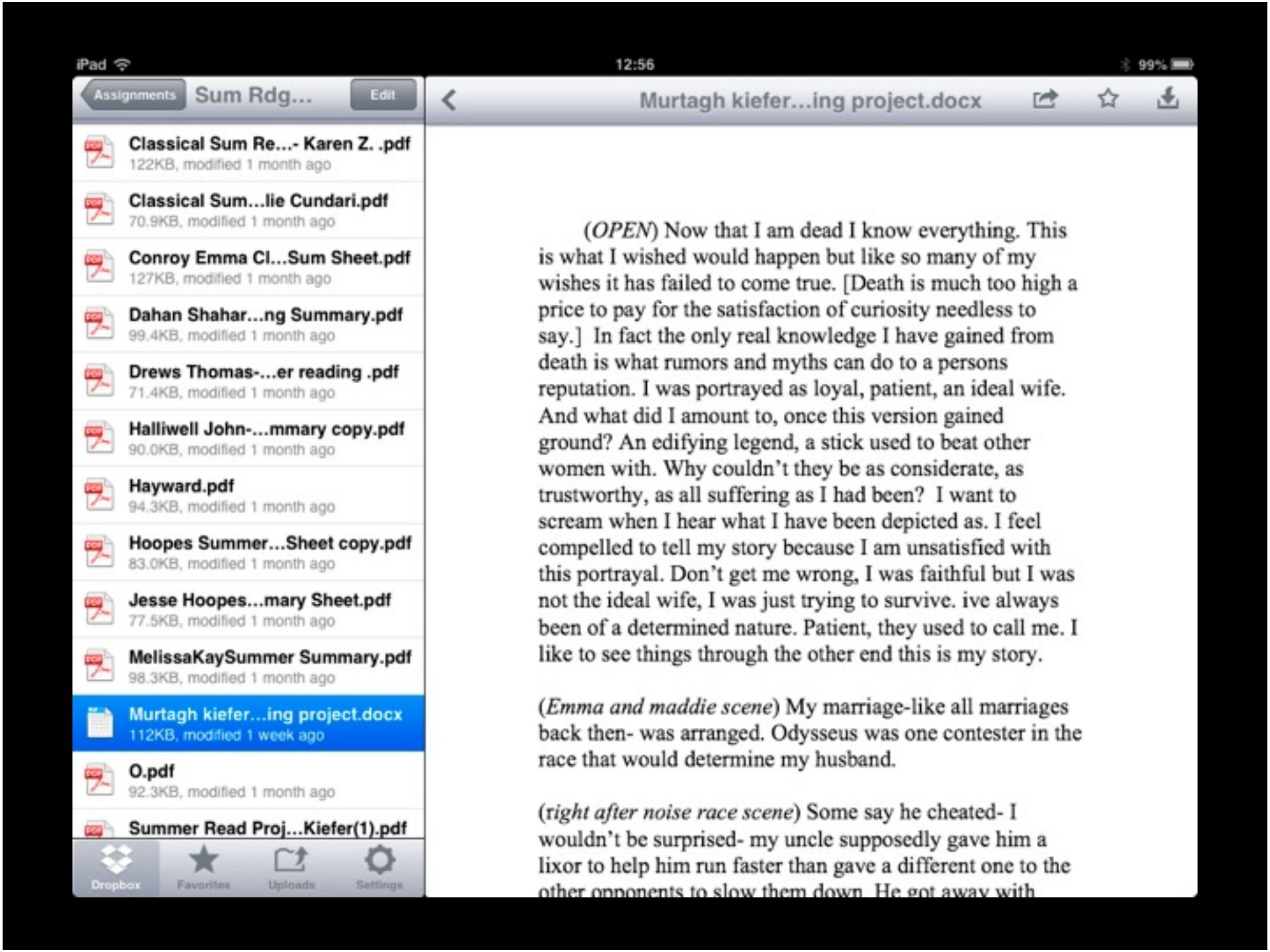
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(Emma and maddie scene) My marriage-like all marriages back then- was arranged. Odysseus was one contester in the race that would determine my husband.
(right after noise race scene) Some say he cheated- I wouldn't be surprised- my uncle supposedly gave him a lixor to help him run faster than gave a different one to the other opponents to slow them down. He got away with

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Description

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What's Nearpod?
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Before You Start
Nearpod is a synchronous solution for the use of iPads and other iOS devices in the classroom. To try Nearpod, you will need one iPad and at least one other iOS device (iPad, iPhone, or iPod touch), both running Nearpod. All devices should be connected to the Internet.

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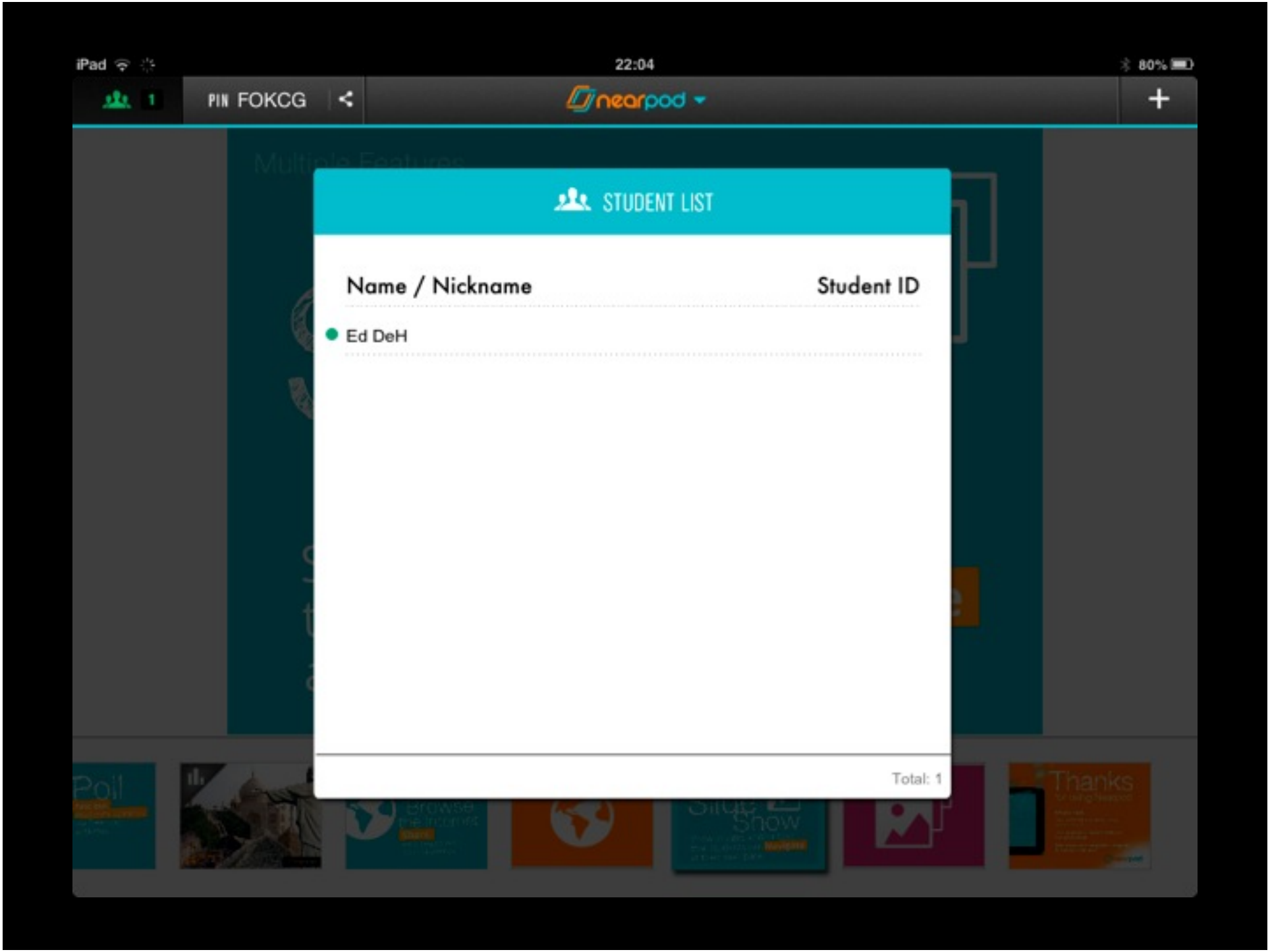
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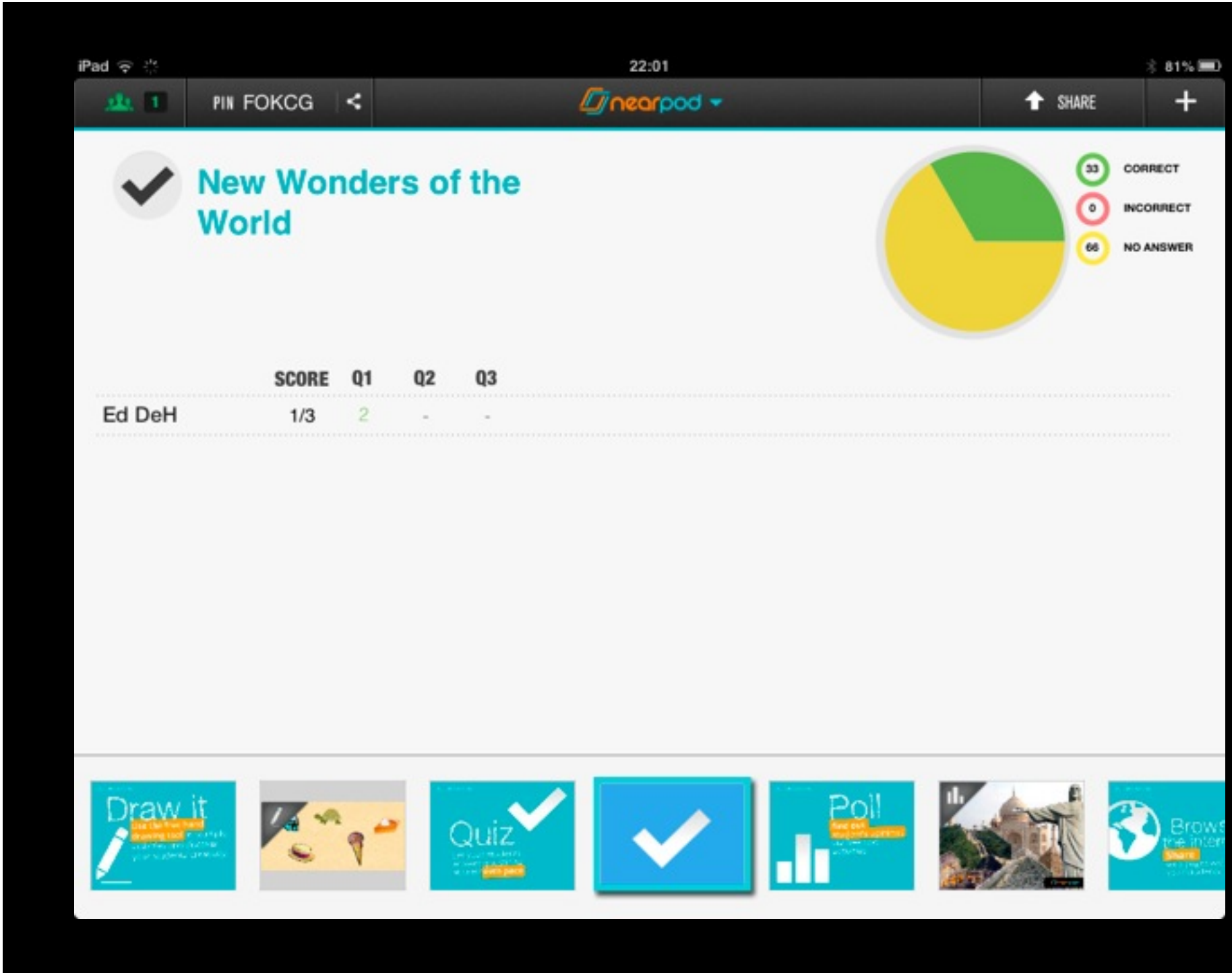
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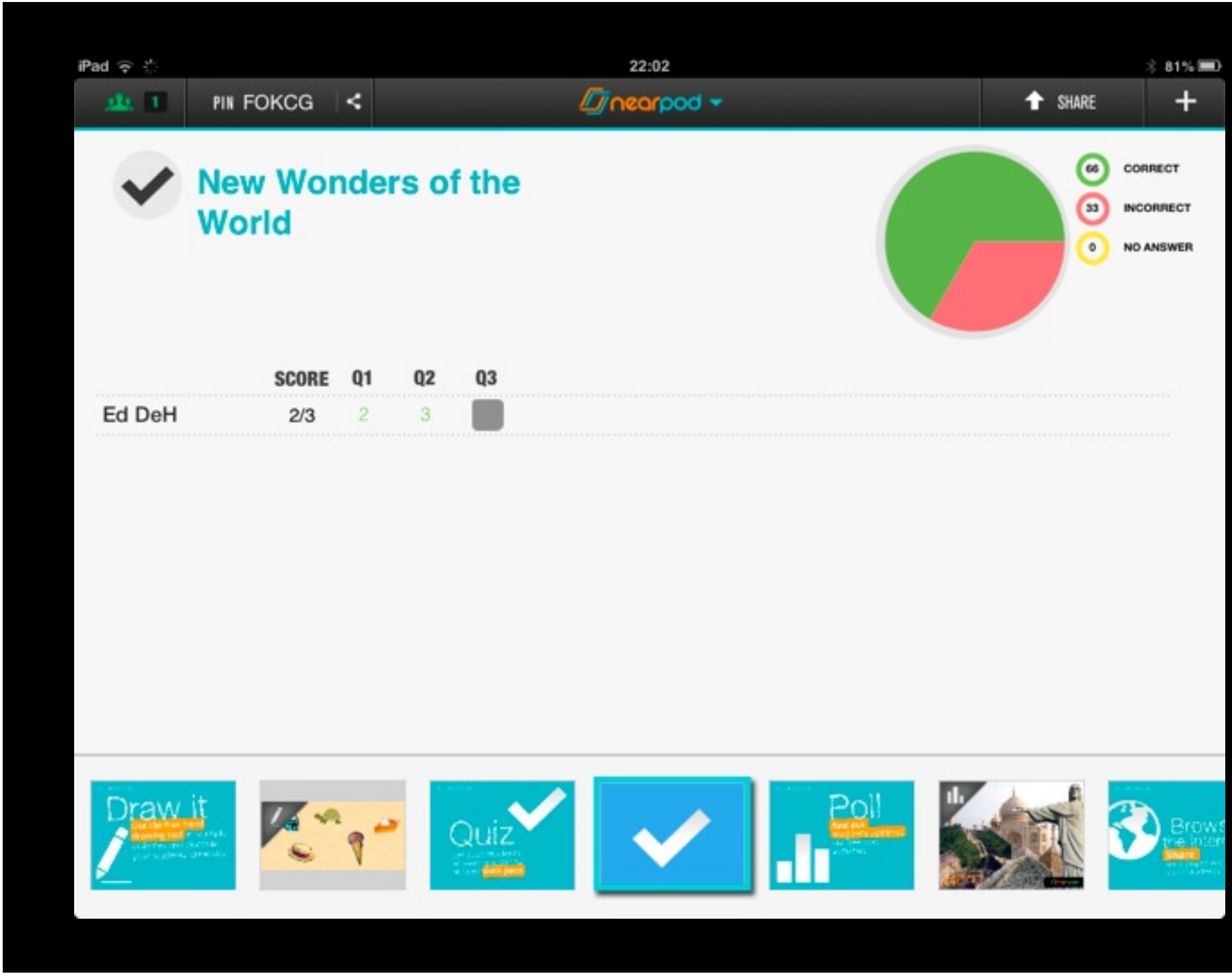
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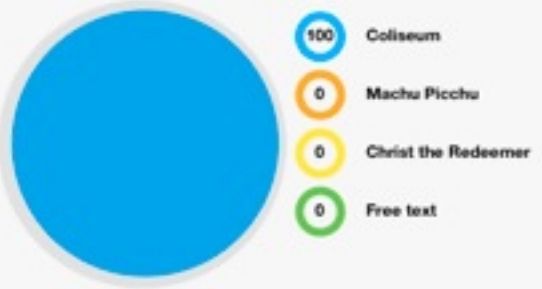

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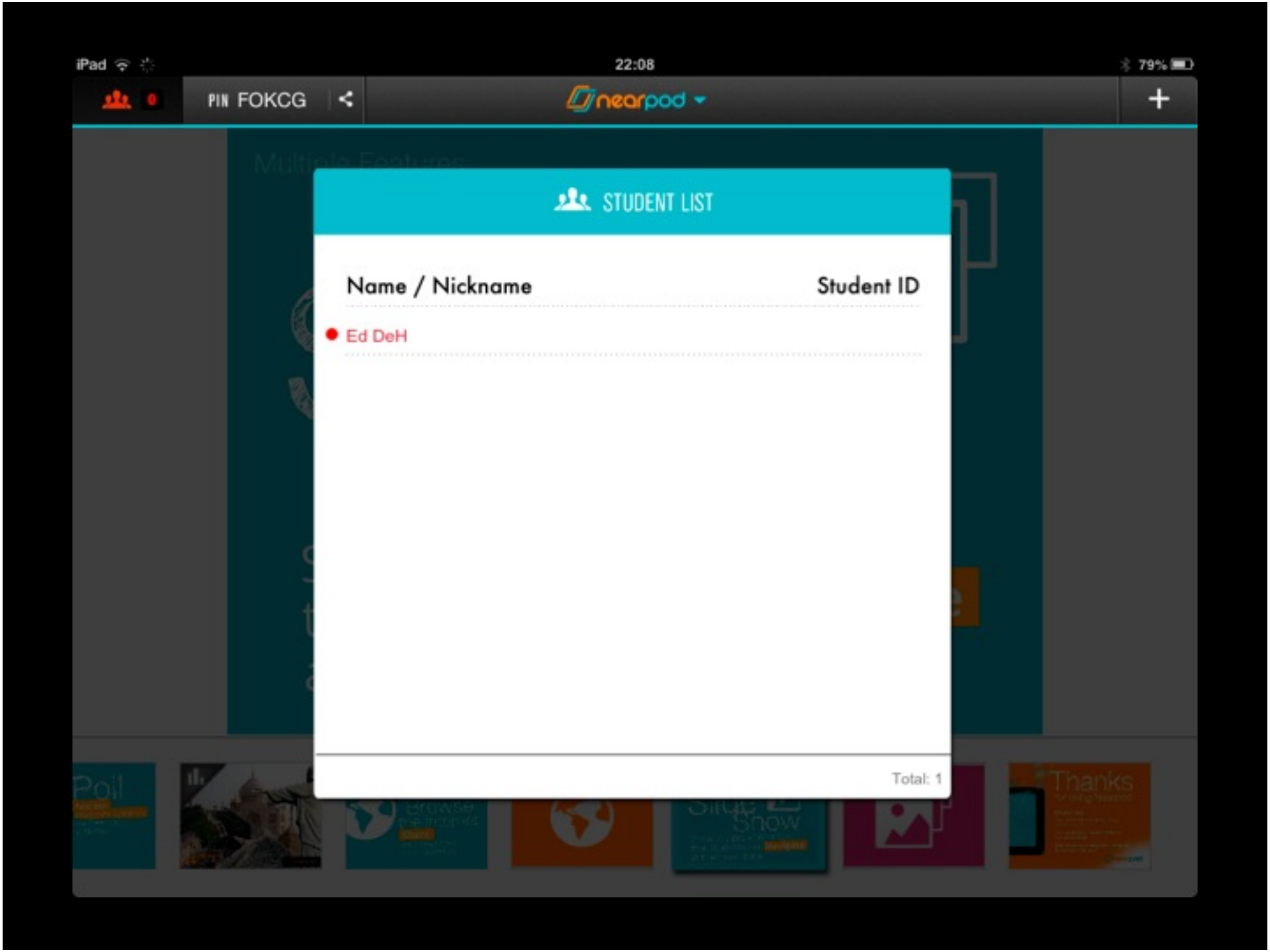
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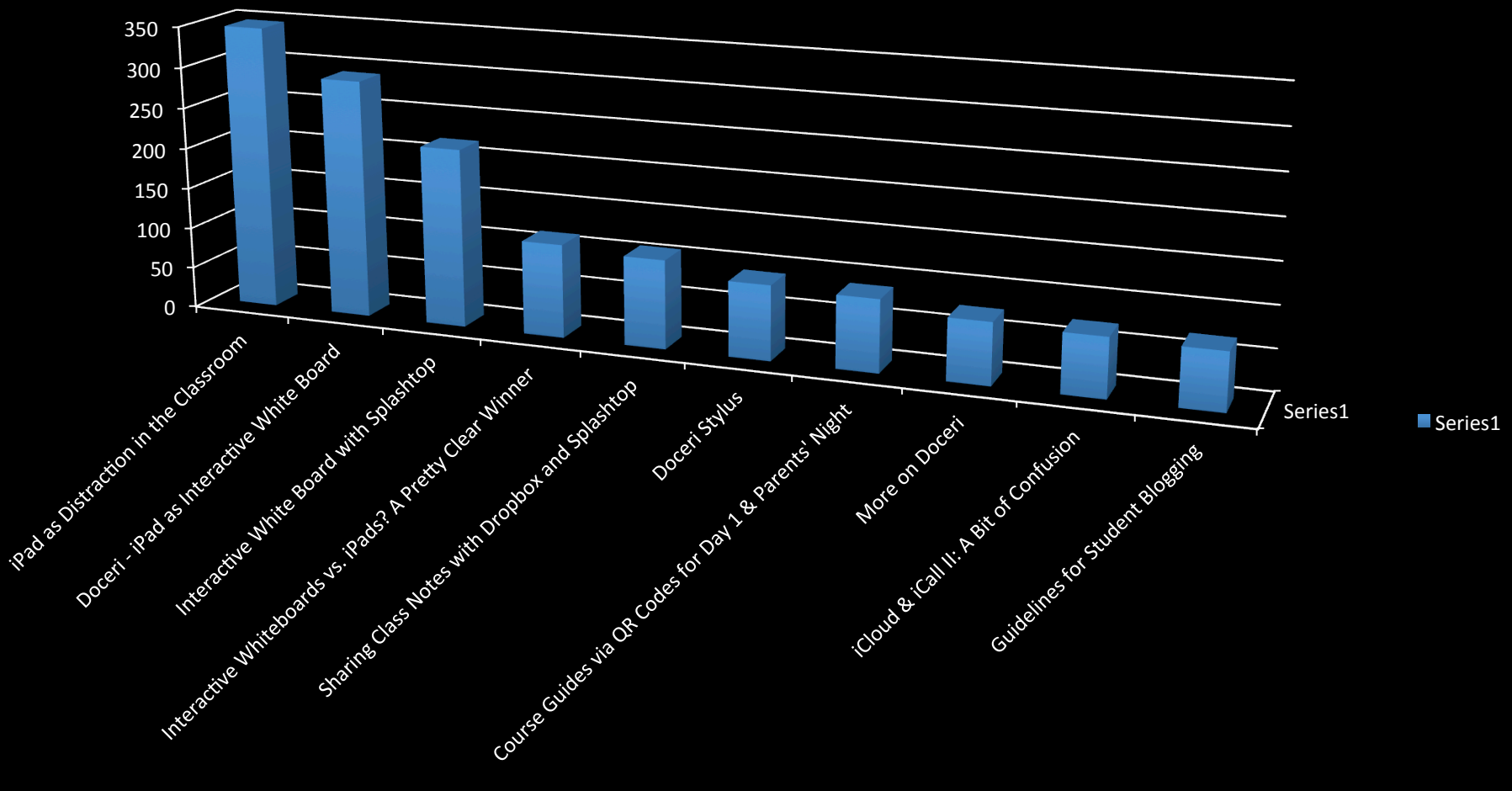

iPad as Distraction

Cost

- iPad = $399 / $499 (mini = $329)
- Kindle Fire = $199 / $159 ($299)

- Flash?
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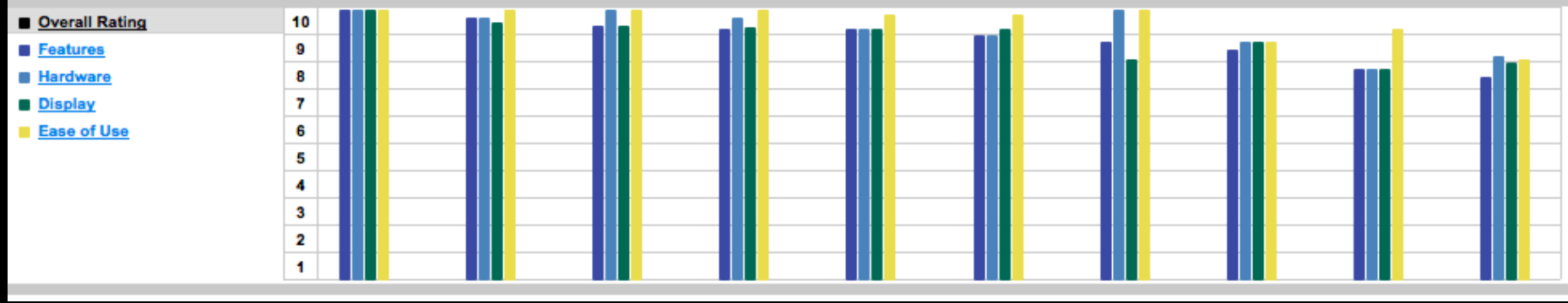

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Form Factor	Candybar	Candybar	Candybar	Candybar	Candybar	Candybar	Candybar	Candybar	Candybar	Candybar
Screen Size	9.7inch	10.10inch	10.10inch	7inch	7inch	8.90inch	10.10inch	9.7inch	10.10inch	10.10inch
Resolution	1024 x 768	1280 x 800	1280 x 800	1020 x 600	1024 x 600	1280 x 768	1280 x 800	1024 x 768	1280 x 800	1024 x 600
Display Panel	LCD	TFT	TFT	TFT	LCD	3D LCD	Unknown	TFT	LCD with LED-Backlit	LCD
Processor	A5 DualCore 1GHz	nVidia Tegra 2 DualCore 1GHz	nVidia Tegra 2 DualCore 1GHz	Cortex A9 DualCore 1GHz	Single Core 1.5GHz	nVidia Tegra 2 DualCore 1GHz	Unknown	Scorpion DuaCore 1.2GHz	nVidia Tegra 2 DualCore 1GHz	Intel Pine Trail SingleCore 1.66GHz
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Camera (Front)	Yes, 0.3MP	Yes, 2.0MP	Yes, 2.0MP	Yes, 3.0MP	Yes, 1.3MP	Yes, 2.0MP	Yes, 0.3MP	Yes, 1.3MP	Yes, 1.2MP	Yes, 1.3MP
Camera (Rear)	Yes, 0.7MP	Yes, 8.0MP	Yes, 5.0MP	Yes, 5.0MP	Yes, 5.0MP	Yes, Dual 5.0MP	Yes, 5.0MP	No	Yes, 5.0MP	No
Storage	16GB / 32GB / 64GB	16GB / 32GB / 64GB	16GB / 32GB / 64GB	16GB / 32GB / 64GB	32GB	32GB	32GB	16GB / 32GB	16GB / 32GB	16GB / 32GB
Expandable Storage	No	Yes, microSD upto 32GB	Yes, microSD upto 32GB	No	Yes, microSD upto 32GB	Yes, microSD upto 32GB	Yes. microSD	No	Yes, microSD upto 32GB	Yes, microSD upto 32GB
TV Out	Yes, via HDMI	Unknown	Yes, via HDMI	Yes, via HDMI	Yes, via HDMI	Yes, via HDMI	Unknown	Unknown	Yes, via HDMI	Yes, via miniVGA
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Operating System	iOS 4.3 + Upgradable	Android 3.0 (Honeycomb)	Android 3.0 (Honeycomb)	BlackBerry Tablet OS	Android 2.3 (Gingerbread)	Android 3.0 (Honycomb)	Android 3.0 (Honeycomb)	HP webOS 3.0	Android 3.0 (Honeycomb)	DualOS - Android 2.2 & Windows 7
Network Connection	3G + WiFi	3G + WiFi	4G / 3G + WiFi	4G / 3G + WiFi	3G + WiFi	3G + WiFi	3G + WiFi	WiFi	WiFi	WiFi
Dimensions	241.2 x 185.7 x 8.8	256.2 x 172.9 x 8.6	249 x 167.8 x 12.9	194 x 130 x 10	195.4 x 122 x 13.2	243.8 x 150 x 12.7	Unknown	240 x 190 x 13.7	271 x 171 x 13.0	275 x 170 x 16.5
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Anecdotes: Focus

- One interesting tidbit from today, however. I had planned about 2/3s of the class with the last 1/3 reserved for them to work on their three writing assignments or the reading assignment. The class without the iPads, for whom I brought in a laptop cart, almost to a student, worked on the writing assignments. The class with the iPads, again almost to a student, read their Friday Night Lights ebook. My buddy suggested that the focus of the iPad class on the books was due to a lack of a keyboard, which I thought was a good point, but I still found the discrepancy an interesting suggestion about the kinds of observations this experiment will create.

Anecdotes: Focus

- And a more general observation: Certainly the concerns about the distractability of the iPads are valid; the minute students get into class, the iPads are out and the games (or ESPN or YouTube) are fired up. But, in general, they have been good about putting them away / getting out of the games when I tell them to do so. On the other hand, they are quite simply very quiet because they are buried in their iPads. Now this might not necessarily be a plus (especially depending on what's keeping them in their iPads) nor am I suggesting that the cost of the iPad justifies its use as a classroom management tool, but the focus on the iPad is very high (now I have to channel that focus) and the distractability is of a much quieter sort; the class without iPads is now a louder class than the class with iPads, largely due to the iPads.

Anecdotes: Security

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Anecdotes: Classroom Use

- One student, in another class whose teacher allows his crossover students to use their iPads, apparently entered class the day after getting his iPad insisting that they have a notes-focused class so that he could take notes with his iPad.

Thank You

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