Two Tech Tools for Instructors to Encourage Active Learning

TOOL / Description	Pros	Cons
Edpuzzle https://edpuzzle.com Crop a video, explain it with your own voice and embed quizzes within videos.	☺ Free ☺ Easy to use ☺ Students can check their knowledge or get some guidance on what to observe while watching a video ☺ Upload your own video or use existing videos from Youtube, Ted talks, etc. ☺ Can embed within LMS (if you do not need to track learner data) ☺ No need to reinvent the wheel: Copy, use, adapt video lessons that have already been created by others	☹ To track learner data, students will have to register with the Edpuzzle site and enter an assigned code for each video lesson ☹ No partial voiceovers – you must either record an audio track for the entire video or none at all
Polleverywhere https://www.polleverywhere.com Create and display questions including Q&A and multiple choice polls. Questions can be presented directly from the web or embedded in a PowerPoint or LMS. Audience responses are displayed in real-time. Great for classroom participation, or gathering opinions from the class.	☺ Free (for up to 40 participants in any one poll) ☺ Easy to use ☺ More than just multiple choice polls – e.g., word cloud, brainstorming, clickable image, etc. ☺ Can embed within LMS ☺ Different options (web, mobile, Twitter) to respond to questions ☺ Different options to present the poll depending on whether you are using it in a seated class or in an online class / out of class assignment	Based on the free account limitations: ☹ Only 40 responses are captured per poll ☹ No learner data tracking