

## EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY: PRESENTATIONS MADE EASY WITH 280 SLIDES

*Post-secondary lesson plan for Education majors*

<b>OBJECTIVE</b>	Given a computer and instruction by their professor, students will construct a 15 slide presentation using 280 Slides that will revolve around a theme selected by the student with 100% accuracy.
<b>MATERIALS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• computer with internet</li><li>• student selected theme</li><li>• notebook and writing utensil, if necessary</li></ul>
<b>PROCEDURE</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Have students meet in a campus computer lab, with each student at their own computer.</li><li>2. Direct the students to 280Slides.com and give a short lesson on its purpose in relation to educational technology. For example, 280 Slides is an online alternative to PowerPoint and Keynote. Instead of saving presentations to a hard drive, you can save them online to have them handy at the click of a mouse.</li><li>3. During the class period, students are to construct a presentation consisting of 15 slides. Other requirements are: use of different font types, colors, and sizes, use of pictures, and incorporation of at least one short video.</li><li>4. Presentations must involve a theme selected by the students. For example, one presentation could be about whales while another presentation could be about the history of the Renaissance.</li><li>5. To start the process, have the students click "Try it now-free" on the 280 slides home page.</li><li>6. Click "Create a new presentation."</li><li>7. Choose a design theme for the presentation.</li><li>8. The students should now be able to begin constructing their presentation.</li><li>9. Be sure to make the students aware of how to add images and videos by clicking pictures or videos at the top of the page.</li><li>10. To save the presentation, click "save" at the top left-hand corner.</li><li>11. If the students are not able to finish the presentation during the class period, assign them to have it finished and ready to present for the next class and to be ready to share what they liked and disliked about making presentations on 280slides.com</li></ol>
<b>EVALUATION</b>	Not only will the students submit an electronic copy of their presentation to the professor, they will present their creation to the rest of the class and explain why they liked/disliked 280 Slides in a later class period. The professor will use a rubric to assess the effort invested by the student into making the presentation and the technical requirements of the presentation (font, number of slides, ability to read, etc.). The professor will also take into account the peer reviews conducted on the presentation from the other students in the class.