

Pearson Review-PMS

Strengths	Weaknesses/Challenges
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Some of the maps were very detailed and provided great insight to the movements of certain groups● The ability to assign things through Google Classroom● Ability to customize tests● The tests had a mixture of different styles of questions from drop downs to analyzing pictures and quotes as well as short answer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Material for Spanish speaking students was not great. It only briefly summarized things and did not allow Spanish speaking students to do the same assignments as the English speaking students● Assignments were not rigorous. Many just had students clicking through different items.● Tests that were customized were not able to print● Interactive activities were not that interactive for students. They just had to click through different things.● The mini games were also deceiving in that they were just crossword puzzles and drag and drops.● Some content is quickly glossed over much makes it confusing for students to follow along what is going on. For example, the rise of political parties after Washington's presidency is for the most part not heavily focused on and it makes it seem like they did not factor into the elections of John Adams and Thomas Jefferson.● Aspects were missing from the middle school platform that the high school platform seems to have such as teachers having access to powerpoints and students being able to scan QR codes in the reading.● Feedback from students was not positive. They did not like how the activities were not engaging as well as they felt the questions on the test did not connect well with the material.● Workbooks were not helpful at all. A lot of the items in them just had students copying stuff down instead of providing rigorous activities.● Videos were not engaging for students● The digital reading cannot be adjusted based on lexile scores when other companies are able to do this.● The only option to adjust the reading level for students creates a very short summary and leaves out much of the information the other students

- would be getting.
- No answer key for a customized test could be found.
- Site would crash if too many students would get online for Pearson
- Some students could not access Pearson online

Questions or More Info Requested

- Pearson Realize seems to be very click heavy. We're curious if there are shortcuts to accessing things such as data and student responses
- Answer keys were not easily accessible. Had to dig through a large search to find them. This may have been a problem on our end.

Concerns

- Overall, Pearson did not meet the needs of our students or teachers. The feeling it gave off was that a lot of the stuff put into the platform was rushed or not fully thought out. A lot of supplemental material has to be used to make this platform meaningful to the students. The material did not challenge our students or provide any type of rigor. Many tasks Pearson had for student work required them to just click through items and not really have to think about what it is they were clicking. Students did not like using Pearson because of this reason.