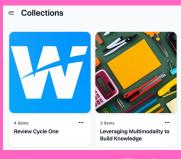
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Wickelet

Wakelet was created by Jamil Khalil in 2011 in response to his frustration with finding, collecting, and sharing digital content from the massive amount of resources available. The tool lets users organize and curate links, social media, images, videos, and other webbased media, into collections (wakes) that can be accessed by invited viewers or collaborators.

Wakes can be designed in a variety of layouts depending on its purpose; links to information may be placed in columns or grids to view at a glance, or in a scrollable format best for sharing images. The wakes can be public or kept private. Sharing options include view only or rights to make changes.



Curate resource collections with sub-collections.

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Become Wakelet certified or train students to be ambassadors. Wakelet is free to sign up for and use. There are no scaling factors which limit users to a certain number of boards or number of users invited to share or collaborate. There are no advertisements on the site. The website promises that all of the current features will always remain free, even if future features are added at a premium.

K-12 educators may use
Wakelet in a variety of ways,
including lesson planning,
research assignments,
portfolios, and reading
recommendations. Drawbacks
include the lack of two-way
communication and the care
that must be taken to ensure
that students don't have
access to inappropriate
content via public postings.

Users in academia would find Wakelet useful for curating resources for literature reviews or team projects. Professors could build wakes to share work samples, suggested articles for reading, or to archive notes and videos for specific learning outcomes. Collections may include any and all types of online media.

There is value in having links available with images to indicate content; it is difficult to navigate lists of resources housed a document or buried in a folder. I do wonder about curating collections when an individual is involved in multiple projects, both past and present. A collection of collections? Completely possible. I think.



A fledgling wake for my research.

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