Instructional Tool/App of the Week: GradeCam



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Product Description: GradeCam is a feature that has been integrated in Edusoft that allows classroom teachers equipped with the proper camera accessory to instantly scan and grade multiple-choice assessments.

Basically, if you have a document camera that can share content to either a PC or Mac or if you have an iPad with the gradecam app, you can scan an assignment in a few seconds and use this data to modify your classroom instruction on the fly.

You can sign up for a free account at www.gradecam.com



Web Version: For the Web Version, you will have to download the software, GradeCam plugin and setup your document camera. So you might need your technology staff to help with that if you don't have rights to your PC or Mac.



iPad App: https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/gradecam-insight/id585515572?mt=8

What do you get:

- 60-day trial fee as "Teacher Plus" Account- Don't worry, it will still work after the 60 days.
- After the 60 days, account you will only have access to creating assessments up to max 10 questions. Basically, what I used it for was Bellringers and Exit Slips and 10 questions was more than enough.
- Word on the street is that it will be integrated very soon into a state product that we are currently using.

ScreenShots:



Support Website for the product:

https://gradecam.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/categories/200150117-GradeCam-Insight-Beginner-Training-Tutorials-

- Camera Setup
- Setup Students in Classes
- Creating Assignments
- Your Account
- Create Exam Forms

Tips:

- You can create an exam for all students using their student ID numbers, then laminate each one, so that you don't have to make anymore copies. Students can use Dry Erase Markers to mark their answers. I have tested it and it works great.
- Import all students into a class with a text file or csv file. Export your students out of Infinite campus into a csv file. Use Excel to include the following headers: First Name, Last Night, ID Number (State Student ID or some number you create), and Name of Class.
- Have students scan their answers as they leave the class as an exit slip.
- If you only have an iPad, pass it around and have the students scan their work. You can set it not to show scores.