



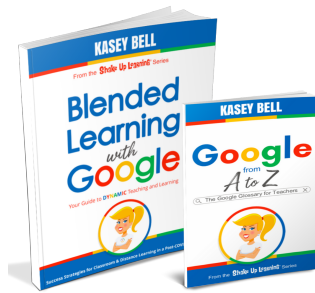
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This toolkit is designed to give you a quick overview of the Dynamic Blended Learning Framework and how we can use Google tools to create meaningful learning experiences for our students.

The information shared in this document comes from my book, [Blended Learning with Google: Your Guide to Dynamic Teaching and Learning](#). Be sure to pick up a copy of the book and the supplemental booklet, [Google from A to Z: The Google Glossary for Teachers](#), to make the most of the ideas in this toolkit!

What Is Blended Learning?

Blended learning is a combination of face-to-face instruction and online learning. This definition encompasses the concepts and ideas I have been teaching for many years. In fact, pretty much every blog post on [ShakeUpLearning.com](#) can be categorized as blended learning. Clean and simple, but it leaves a lot on the table. That's why I created a blended learning framework that would incorporate best practices and push the boundaries of traditional teaching practices. These ideas will also help you design engaging lessons for remote, hybrid, or online learning--or anything in between!

Enter Dynamic Learning.

My definition of dynamic learning is continuing to evolve and grow, as best practices should.

Dynamic Blended Learning:

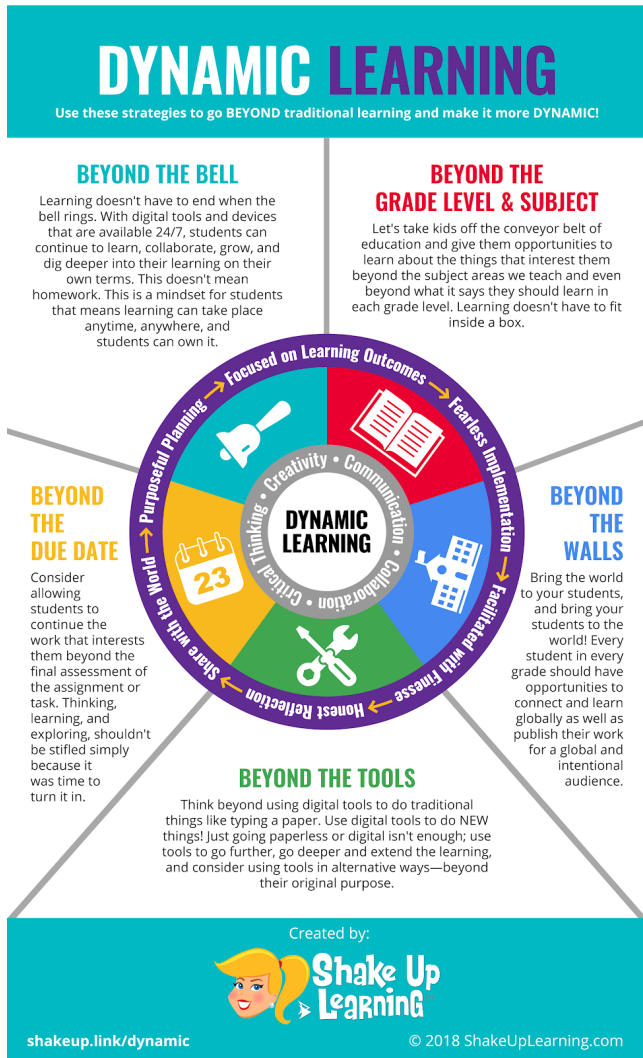
Dynamic blended learning is characterized by constant change and activity, growing and evolving over time. This learning can take place anywhere, anytime, and it is personalized and differentiated. It is learner-centered, giving students choice and embedding communication, collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity skills where they align with the learning goals. Dynamic blended learning also extends beyond the traditional bounds of the school day, schedule, and physical walls, and beyond the physical notion of hard and fast due dates. Digital tools are used for more than substitution, to do and create previously unconceived things. Dynamic learning is boundless, with limitless opportunities.

Think of dynamic learning as blended learning on steroids!

What Is Static Learning?

Static learning is learning that lacks movement, action, or change. With this unengaging education model, learning happens in short bursts and is often demonstrated through one-and-done activities, short-term assignments, or worksheets (even digital worksheets), which are confined within the traditional bounds of the school system, school day, and school walls.

Dynamic Learning is not about Google, and it certainly isn't about getting distracted by shiny, techy tools. The purpose of using technology in any form in the classroom is to support Dynamic, Blended Learning. Digital tools, such as Google for Education, present us with a unique opportunity to do things differently, to engage students in new ways, and to inspire them to explore and create.



The Dynamic Learning Framework

The Dynamic Learning Model is at the center of the Dynamic Learning Framework, which focuses on five Dynamic Learning Characteristics (5 B's). These characteristics make it possible to go beyond static, one-and-done activities.

Beyond the Bell

Learning doesn't have to end when the bell rings. With digital tools and devices that are available 24/7, students can continue to learn, collaborate, grow, and dig deeper into their learning on their own terms. This doesn't mean homework. This is a mindset for students that means learning can take place anytime, anywhere, and students can own it.

Beyond the Bell Strategies

- **Goal Setting:** a research-based strategy to help students (or anyone) set measurable academic and personal goals.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Keep, Google Sheets, Google Docs
- **Vision Boards:** a research-based visual goal-setting strategy where students create a collage of images, words, or other objects to represent their goals.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Slides, Google Drawings,

Jamboard

- **Trackers:** Students track emotions, habits, reading, or any kind of task or progress over time.

- Recommended Google tools: Google Sheets, Google Forms
- **Online Discussion:** facilitate meaningful, online discussion among students.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Classroom, Google Groups, Blogger, Google Slides
- **Reflection:** make time for students to reflect and think metacognitively about their learning.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Docs, Google Slides, Google Classroom,

Beyond the Grade Level & Subject Area

Let's take kids off the conveyor belt of education and give them opportunities to explore the world and move beyond the subject areas we teach. Learning doesn't have to fit inside a box. Help students discover their interests and passions by going beyond the curriculum.

Beyond the Grade Level & Subject Area Strategies

- **Student Choice:** Students are given choice in their learning--topic, reading, device, or tool.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Classroom, Google Sites, Blogger, Google Slides, Google Docs
- **Choice Boards:** Learning menus or choice boards (the terms are interchangeable) offer a set of activities from which students can choose.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Docs, Google Slides, Google Sheets, Google Sites, Blogger, MyMaps, Google Forms
- **Project-Based Learning:** Students work on a project over an extended period of time – from a week up to a semester – that engages them in solving a real-world problem or answering a complex question.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Search, Google Docs, Google Forms, Google Sheets, Google Keep, Google Calendar, Google Photos, Google Slides, Google Sites
- **Genius Hour:** Project/Problem based learning, where students explore their own passions and interests.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Search, Google Docs, Google Forms, Google Sheets, Google Keep, Google Calendar, Google Photos, Google Slides, Google Sites

Beyond the Walls

Bring the world to your students, and bring your students to the world. Every student in every grade level should have opportunities to connect and learn globally, as well as publish their work for a global and intentional audience.

Beyond the Walls Strategies

- **Publishing Student Work:** Give students an outside audience for their work.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Sites, Blogger, Google Slides, Google Docs, YouTube
- **Global Connections:** Give students opportunities to connect and learn globally.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Meet
- **Mystery Connections:** video chat with another classroom located in another region, state, or country.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Meet, Google Docs, Google Slides
- **Virtual Field Trips:** Explore the world, historical sites, zoos, aquariums, factories, and more.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Arts & Culture, Google Earth, Google Street View
- **VR/AR:** Engage students in immersive experiences that use virtual reality and augmented reality.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Earth VR, Google Street View VR, Google Arts & Culture

Beyond the Tool(s)

Think beyond using digital tools to do traditional things like typing a paper. Use digital tools to do NEW things! Just going paperless or digital isn't enough; use tools to go further, go deeper and extend the learning, and consider using tools in alternative ways—beyond their original purpose.

Beyond the Tool(s) Strategies

- **Collaborative Notes:** When students can take notes together, it allows them to learn from each other and give the teacher a way to check for understanding.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Docs, Google Slides
- **Storytelling:** We all have stories to tell--in every grade and every subject area. Students tell or retell stories (written and/or visual) about content and learning. Create ebooks, photo stories, comic strips, interactive timelines, stop-motion animation, and more!
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Slides, Google Drawings, Google Photos, Google Docs, Google Earth
- **Research:** any kind of student research on topics, events, or interests.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Search, Google Scholar, Google Books, Google Docs, Google Forms, Google Sheets, Google Keep
- **Data:** Students collect, understand, and analyze data.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Forms, Google Sheets, Google Slides, Google Docs
- **Image Creation:** Students create a non-linguistic visual representation of information or learning.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Drawings, Google Slides, Google Photos
- **Student Portfolios:** Student portfolios that demonstrate academic products and or progress.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Sites, Blogger, Google Slides
- **Graphic Organizers:** Students use visuals or graphics to organize information.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Slides, Google Drawings, Jamboard

Beyond the Due Date








Consider allowing students to continue the work that interests them beyond the assessment of the final assignment or task. Thinking, learning, and exploring shouldn't be stifled simply because it was time to turn it in. Let the learning live, grow, and evolve over time.









Beyond the Due Date Strategies

- **Student Portfolios:** Use online student portfolios to share student work and demonstrate progress over time.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Sites, Blogger, Google Slides
- **Social Learning and Collaboration:** Students collaborate with outside experts and students with shared interests.
 - Recommended Google tools: Google Docs, Google Sheets, Google Slides, Google Sites
- **Bloggng:** Students blog about their learning and the process of exploring their interests
 - Recommended Google tools: Blogger, Google Sites, Google Classroom

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Below is a table aligning the Dynamic Learning Characteristics with tasks and recommended Google tools.

Dynamic Learning Characteristic	Strategy	Task	Recommended Google Tools
 Beyond the Bell	Goal Setting	Document and track goals	Google Keep , Google Sheets , Google Docs
 Beyond the Bell	Vision Boards	Visual collage to represent goals	Google Slides , Google Drawings , Jamboard
 Beyond the Bell	Online Discussion	Meaningful discussion with students about their learning	Google Classroom , Google Groups , Blogger , Google Slides
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 Beyond the Grade Level & Subject Area	Choice Boards	Set of activities from which students can choose	Google Docs , Google Slides , Google Sheets , Google Sites , Blogger , MyMaps , Google Forms
 Beyond the Grade Level & Subject Area	PBL	Students work on a project over an extended period of time, engaging them in solving a real-world problem or answering a complex question.	Google Search , Google Docs , Google Forms , Google Sheets , Google Keep , Google Calendar , Google Photos , Google Slides , Google Sites

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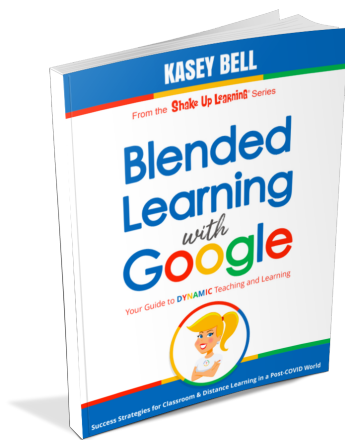
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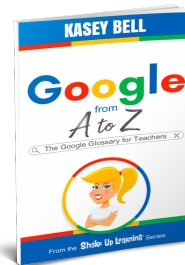


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