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# Your Portrait of a Graduate Portfolio

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A starter guide for students to build, reflect on, and organize their portfolios



# What's a PoG Portfolio?

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A **Portrait of a Graduate (PoG)** shows the important skills and qualities you're developing throughout school

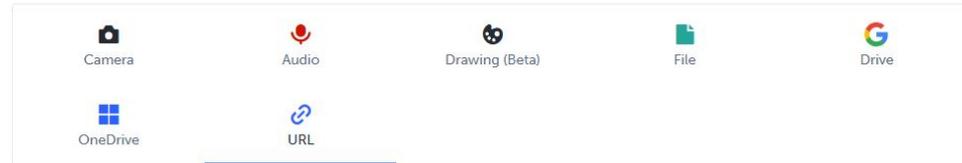
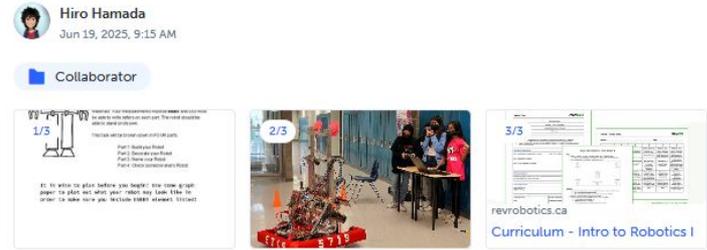
A PoG Portfolio is your **personal collection of work that shows growth**. You choose the work, reflect on it, and **tell your story**

(Insert District Name) PoG Skills:

- Add skill

# Choosing artifacts that show growth

- **An artifact** = an example of work or experience showing growth in a skill
- Choose artifacts that:
  - Show effort
  - Highlight improvement
  - Shows a challenge you've overcome
- What can an artifact look like? A **photo, audio recording, drawing, file attachment, and much more!**

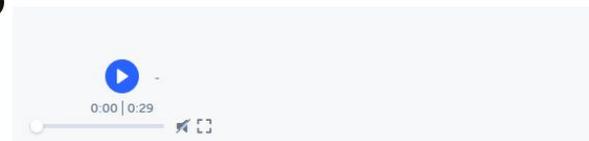


# Reflecting on artifacts and experiences

- Why do we reflect?
  - Reflections help you understand and explain how the artifact shows your personal growth
- The best part is you can choose how you want to reflect!
  - Write a paragraph
  - Record a audio reflection
  - Make a short video



Mr. G - Teacher



Your drive to learn independently and take ownership of your growth really shines here. When you faced challenges, what strategies helped you stay motivated? How might you continue using reflection and goal-setting as you move into high school?

Jun 19, 2025, 9:22 AM



Hiro Hamada

Honestly, what kept me going was thinking about the end result. Like, "Okay Hiro, imagine how cool this'll be when it works." Also, I started writing short "fix logs" every time something broke—it helped me not repeat the same mistakes. In high school, I wanna keep using those logs and maybe try a monthly goal board.

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# Organization by competency

- **Reminder:** Your work can show more than one PoG skill!
- As you're creating, you can select multiple skills to your Post:

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**Post Details:**

- Media:** A section with a 'Remove All' link. It contains icons for Camera, Audio, Drawing (Beta), File (highlighted with a blue underline), and Drive. Below these are icons for OneDrive and URL. Two image thumbnails are shown: a garden scene (1/10) and a butterfly on a flower (2/10). Each has a red 'X' icon and a 'Move' button with arrows.
- Title:** A text input field containing 'Volunteering in the school gardens' and a character count '35/100'.
- Post Description:** A text input field containing 'This year I volunteered in the school gardens with some of my classmates. We grew vegetables and some flowers that would help attract pollinators such as bees and butterflies.'

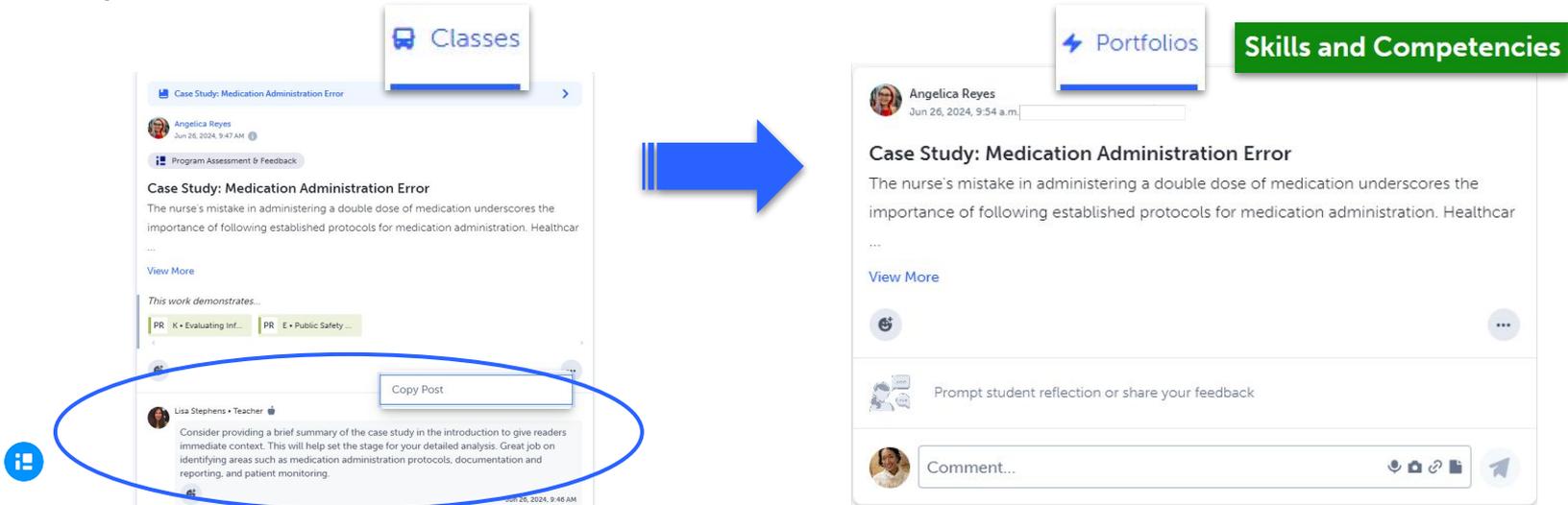
**Post Selections:**

- Post to\*:** A dropdown menu showing 'Profile of Succ... CURRENT'.
- Section:** A dropdown menu showing 'Select Section'.



# Classes → Portfolios: How They Connect

- You can **copy a post** from any Class Space, Group Space, or 1:1 Space into your Portfolio.
- When copying, choose the **Portfolio** and **Section** where it should go—this lets you collect work from across spaces in one organized place.





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# Building Over Time

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Your portfolio is a **living document**.



Set Small Goals:

- **Weekly/Bi-weekly Check-in:** Add 1-2 posts every couple of weeks.
- **End-of-Unit:** Choose an artifact from each major unit.
- **Competency Focus:** Actively look for evidence of one Portrait skill each month.



Remember to go **beyond academics!**

- Highlight your experiences in sports, clubs, volunteering, hobbies, your community, etc.

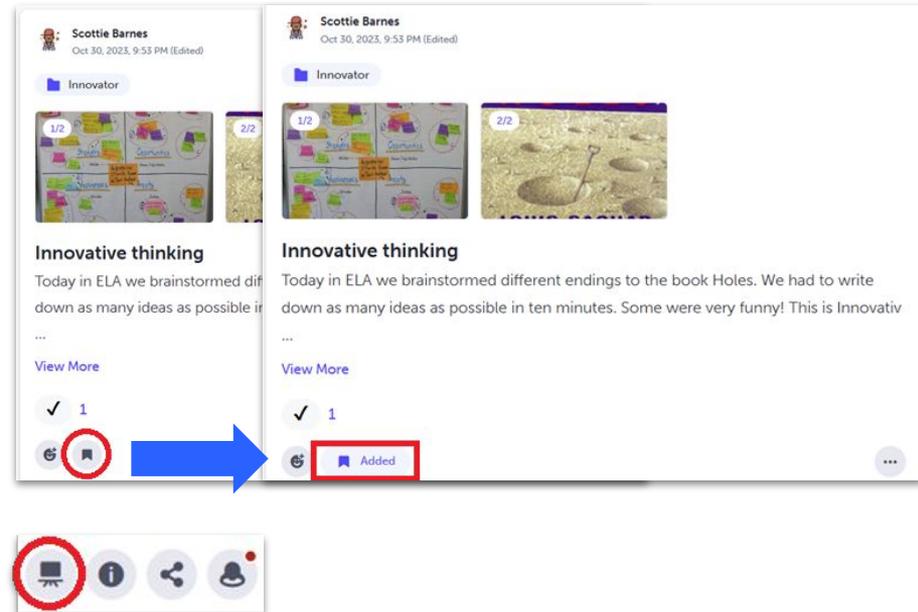


# Using Presentation Mode



**Presentation Mode** lets you showcase specific work and reflections while demonstrating your growth!

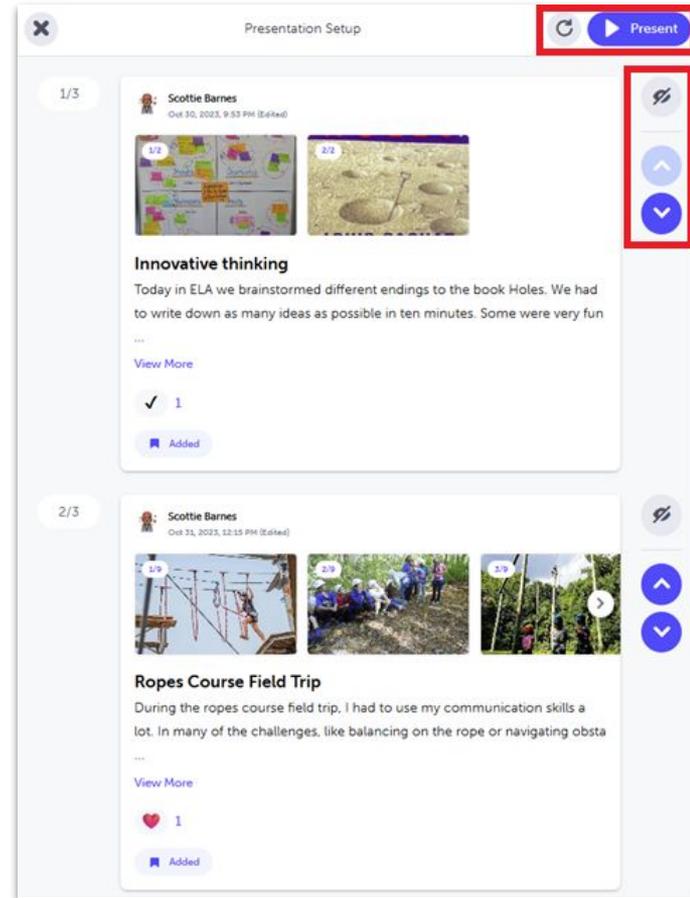
- Click the **bookmark** to add up to 30 posts to your presentation   
*Click again to **remove** posts.*
- Click the **presentation icon** in the top-right corner to organize your presentation.



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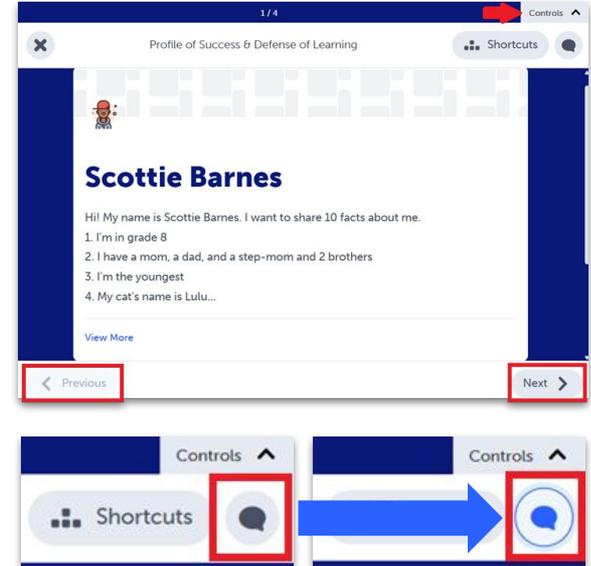
Within the [Presentation Setup](#) panel:

- Click the [presentation icon](#) in the top-right corner to organize your presentation.
- Click the [arrow buttons](#) to reorder posts.
- Click the [reload button](#) to reset the order to the default.
- Click the [eye-slash icon](#) to hide a post.
- Click the [Present button](#) to begin presenting full-screen.



# Using Presentation Mode

- To move between posts, press your **left and right arrow keys** on your keyboard (OR click **Controls** to view Previous and Next buttons at the bottom of the screen).
- Activating the Controls allows you to enable **comment visibility**.



 [Watch this](#) in action!



# Reflection Sentence Starters

Use these sentence starters to help  
you reflect on your posts



# Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving

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- When faced with this challenge, my first step was to...
- I approached this problem/obstacle by considering...
- A key obstacle I encountered was... and I worked through it by...
- My thinking changed when I realized...
- To figure out the best solution, I evaluated...

# Communication

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- When I was working on this, I tried to communicate by...
- I adapted my communication style for this audience by...
- One way I showed I was actively listening to others was by...
- A challenge I faced in getting my message across was... and I tried to overcome it by...
- One thing I would do differently to improve my communication next time is...



# Collaboration

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- My main contribution to the group was...
- I helped my group members/teammates by...
- One way we successfully worked together on a disagreement was by...
- I learned that effective collaboration involves...
- To ensure everyone's voice was heard, I...



# Creativity and Innovation

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- I showed creativity in this project/my work by...
- My approach to this task was innovative because I...
- I took a risk with this idea when I...
- To come up with new ideas, I tried...
- What makes this artifact unique is...



# Self-Direction and Resilience

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- I set a goal for myself in this project to... and I worked towards it by...
- When I encountered a setback, I decided to...
- I managed my time and resources effectively by..
- To learn something new independently, I...
- This experience helped me understand my own strengths in [specific area] by...

# Community Involvement

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- My contribution to [specific community initiative/project] was...
- This experience opened my eyes to [a specific community issue or need] because...
- I believe my actions in this community effort made a difference by...
- I demonstrated responsibility to my community when I...
- My understanding of what it means to be a responsible citizen grew when I...



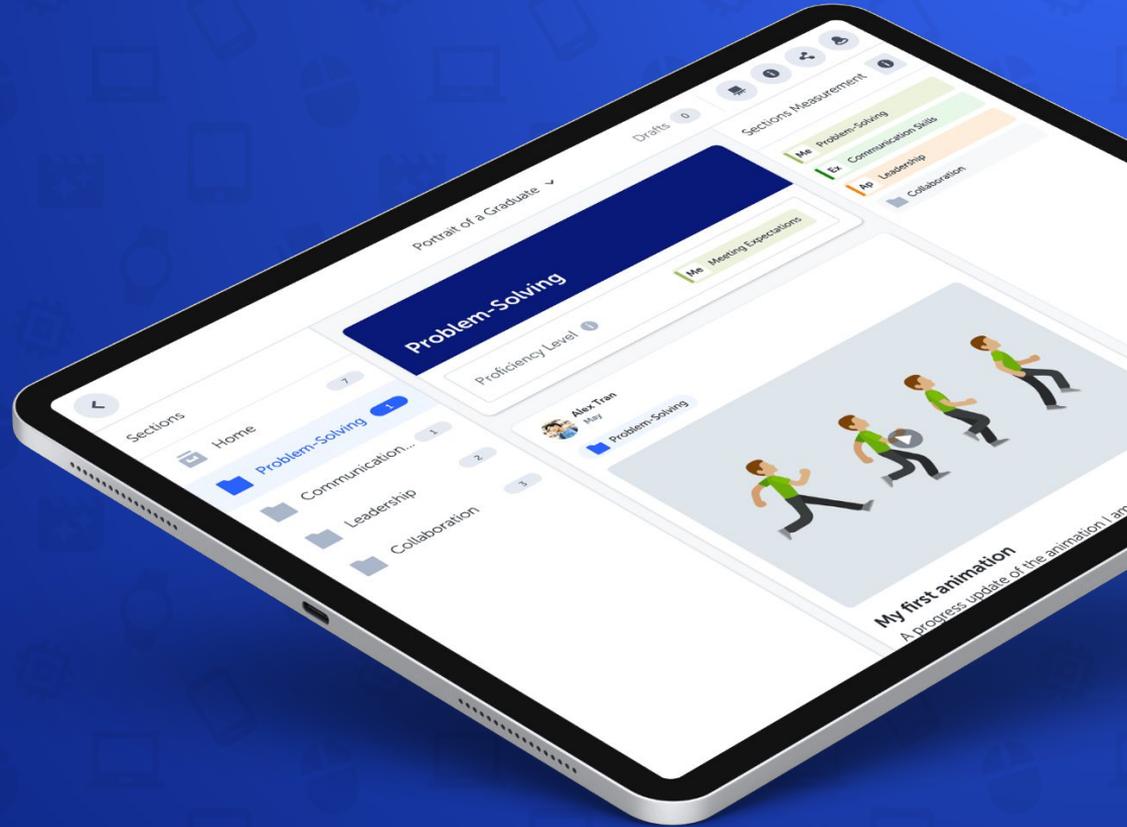
# [Add your skill]

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- [Add your sentence starters]



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- ✓ **I can share my progress:** I include work beyond my final product that shows my learning process, including effort, challenges, and growth.
- ✓ **I can focus on quality, not just quantity:** I'm selective when choosing work or experiences that demonstrate a specific skill, rather than including everything.
- ✓ **I can be specific in my reflections:** I explain how I developed a skill and use action verbs to describe exactly what I did and learned.



# Ways to Make Your Portfolio Stand Out



- ✓ **I can make my portfolio more engaging:** I explore multimedia options like recording video reflections and adding audio commentary.
- ✓ **I can review and update my portfolio:** I check my entries regularly and identify any gaps in the competency sections that I want to focus on.
- ✓ **I can get feedback from different people:** I ask my teacher(s) for feedback and share the link with my family, classmates, and/or mentor(s).

# General Slide

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# SpacesEDU Resources

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- [How My Digital Portfolio Helped Me Land a Job in EdTech | SpacesEDU Blog](#)
  - [Profile of Success Mini-Lessons | SpacesEDU Resources](#)
  - [Creating Quality Posts in Profile of Success Portfolios | SpacesEDU Resources](#)
  - [Portfolio Templates | SpacesEDU Video Tutorial](#)
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