Most teachers believe that digital learning will completely replace printed textbooks in the near future. In fact, online platforms are booming and rapidly increasing. Teachers need to adapt to this ever-demanding system of Education. There are a lot of online platforms being used by the modern teachers nowadays, here are just some of those common online platforms.

1. **Schoology**

   One of the learning management systems for K-12 schools is Schoology, higher education institutions and even corporations. Manage your classroom, create and submit assignments, participate in initiative discussions, perform assessments, collaborate with your peers are just few possibilities of Schoology. It is a secure online platform with one goal, connecting people to learn. Educators can create, manage, and share ideas and resources with their students or pupils. Students receive those class assignments and can link to readings and guides selected by their teachers. Schoology makes it easy to interact and collaborate with classmates and work on learning activities on their own.

2. **Showbie**

   Showbie stands for the connected classroom with the focus on teaching, not on technology. It combines all the essential tools needed in the paperless classroom in one easy-to-use app. It allows parent involvement, discussions, and collaborations between students and teachers. This may help students to create groups for differentiation and personalized learning easily. It also encourages students to engage more. Other features
are annotation tools, grade book, creating and assigning assignments, student portfolios and adding voice notes to student works.

3. iTunes U

iTunes U often gets compared with Showbie because they are both apps. It makes the easier to use on mobile devices than most other online learning platforms. It also focuses on colleges and universities because students can enroll without their teacher’s permission.

4. Google Classroom

It is a free web-based platform that integrates your G Suite for Education account with your G Suite services like Google Docs, G mail, and Google calendar. Students are able to use Google docs, spreadsheets, forms slides and sites and store them in the correct folder. Sharing becomes easy. This flat form helps it easy to create classes, distribute assignments, communicate and stay organized. Teachers can easily see who among the students have or haven’t completed the work, and provide direct, real-time feedback and grade right in the classroom.

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