

# Use Takeaways™ to Extend Your Lesson and Give Students Feedback

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## Overview

### How to Publish a Pear Deck Takeaway



A Pear Deck Takeaway is a notes document for your students. After you finish presenting your Pear Deck lesson, you can choose to publish Takeaways for each student. Here are some important things to know about a Takeaway:

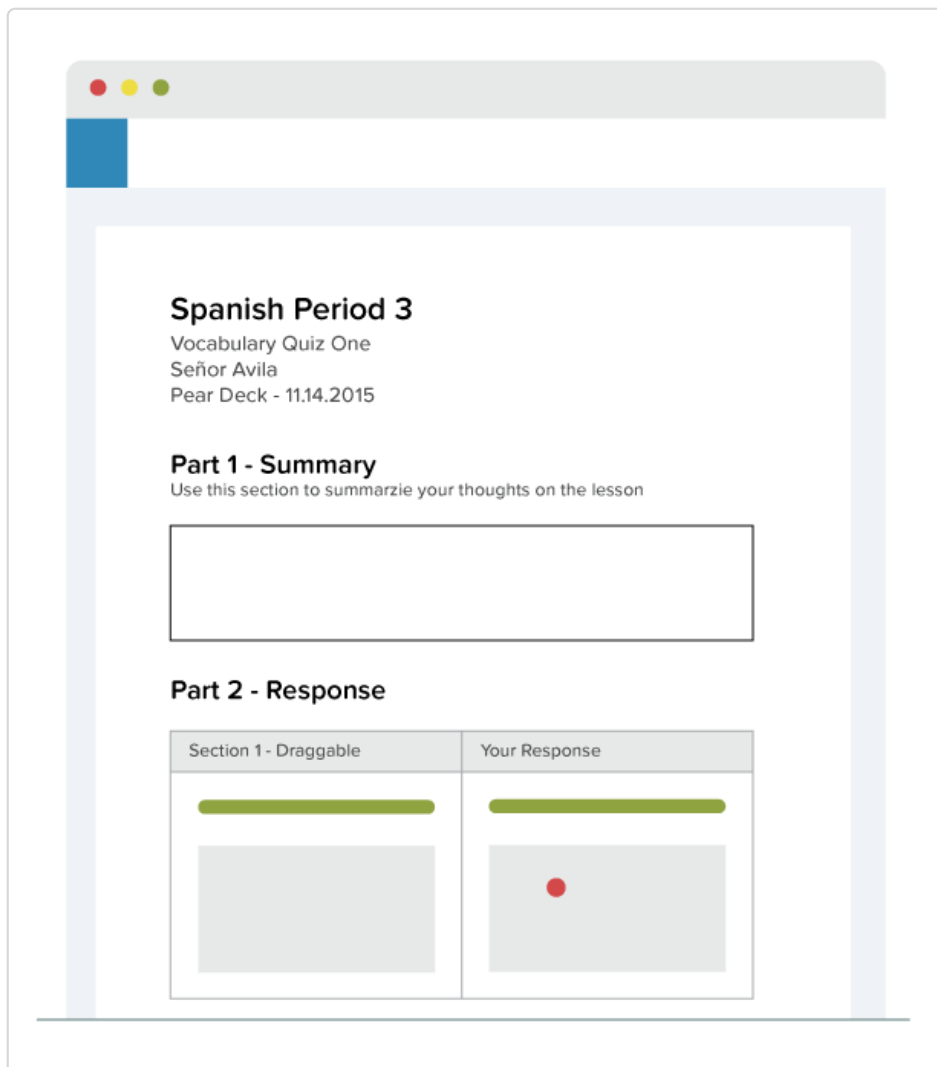
1. A Takeaway is a Google Doc.
2. When you publish Takeaways for a session, each student in your session

gets their own copy of the document in their Google Drive

3. In the Takeaway, students can see each slide from the Deck as well as any answers they provided to your questions. They only see *their* answers, not the answers of their peers.
4. The teacher has editing rights to each student's Takeaway. That means you can open a student's Takeaway and leave comments for them. You can also share it with other teachers, parents, or mentors through the Google Drive "share" interface.
5. In addition to the content from your session, we also provide students with areas to reflect on what they learned.

## Example Document

This image below shows you what each Takeaway will look like. Notice that the document contains the name of the Session, the name of the Deck, the name of the person who presented, and the date.



## Use a Takeaway to Extend the Lesson

When you publish Takeaways, you give students an easy way to go back and review the lesson later.

### BUT THERE'S MORE

You can also use Takeaways to extend the lesson beyond the classroom.

Assign Takeaways as homework. You can ask students to reflect on what they learned in the spaces provided. You can ask them to reflect on another student's answer that differed from theirs, or to describe their thought process as they unpacked certain questions.

Because you have access to the Takeaway through Google Docs, you can leave comments for students, giving them very specific feedback on their answers.

See the example below for ideas.

The screenshot shows a Pear Deck presentation slide titled "Spanish Period 3" with the subtitle "Vocabulary Quiz One" by "Señor Avila" on "11.14.2015". The slide is divided into two main sections: "Part 1 - Summary" and "Part 2 - Response".

**Part 1 - Summary**  
Use this section to summarize your thoughts on the lesson.

A yellow-bordered box contains a student's feedback: "This was a really fun lesson Señor Avila! I realize I need to study more before the big exam! I've been watching lessons on the site you showed us in class! Great help!"

A response card from "Señor Avila" reads: "I'm very impressed with your improvements! ¡Muy bien!"

**Part 2 - Response**

The "Response" section is organized into two rows, each with a "Section 1" column and a "Your Response" column.

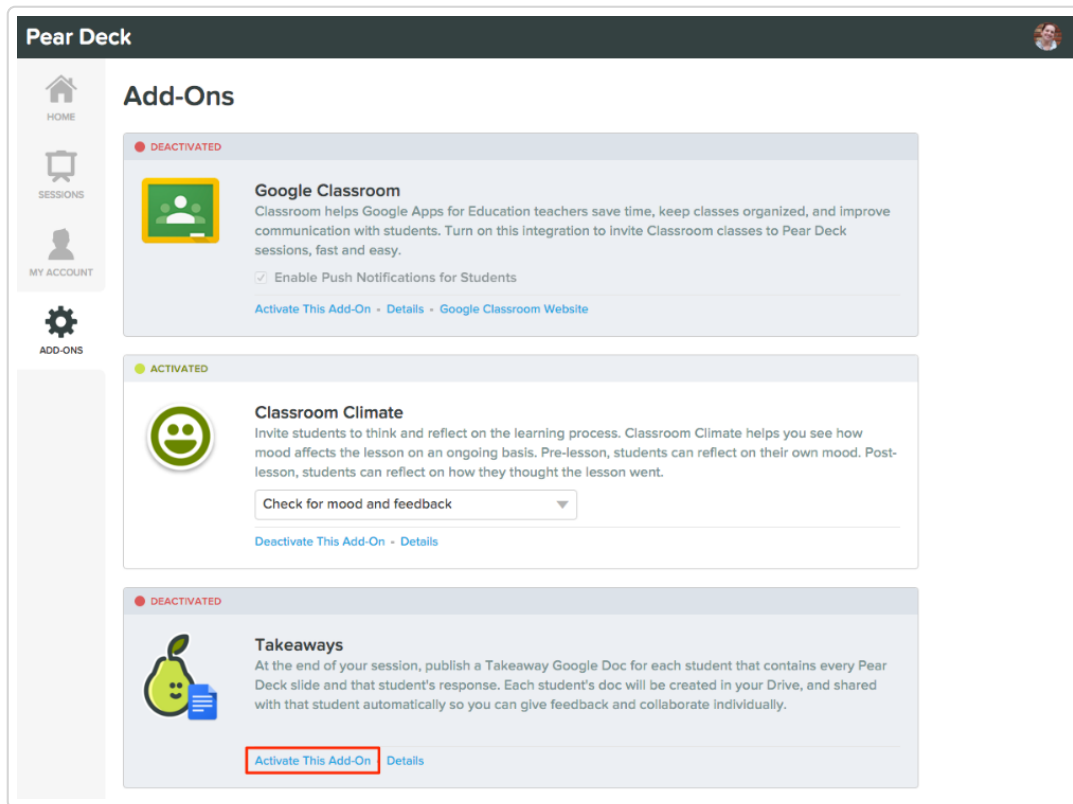
- Section 1 - Draggable:** The "Your Response" column shows a red dot on a slide, indicating a student's interaction.
- Section 1 - Fre Text Response:** The "Your Response" column shows a speech bubble, indicating a student's text response.

Two response cards are overlaid on the slide:

- From "Señor Avila": "Good idea here Davin. You were on the righth track! Try some Chp. 12 excercises before the test. :)"
- From "Davin McGowin": "Yeah this one tripped me up a bit! But I think I understand this better after the drawing slide. Thanks!"

## Enable Takeaways

To use Takeaways, you have to turn them on in your Add-ons Tab from your Pear Deck Home screen (<https://app.peardeck.com/home/>).



**Pear Deck**

**Add-Ons**

**DEACTIVATED**

**Google Classroom**  
Classroom helps Google Apps for Education teachers save time, keep classes organized, and improve communication with students. Turn on this integration to invite Classroom classes to Pear Deck sessions, fast and easy.  
 Enable Push Notifications for Students  
[Activate This Add-On](#) - [Details](#) - [Google Classroom Website](#)

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**Classroom Climate**  
Invite students to think and reflect on the learning process. Classroom Climate helps you see how mood affects the lesson on an ongoing basis. Pre-lesson, students can reflect on their own mood. Post-lesson, students can reflect on how they thought the lesson went.  
Check for mood and feedback  
[Deactivate This Add-On](#) - [Details](#)

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**Takeaways**  
At the end of your session, publish a Takeaway Google Doc for each student that contains every Pear Deck slide and that student's response. Each student's doc will be created in your Drive, and shared with that student automatically so you can give feedback and collaborate individually.  
[Activate This Add-On](#) [Details](#)

## How to Publish a Takeaway

There are 2 ways to Publish a Takeaway

1. Right when you end a session
2. From the gear menu next to a session name

### When You End a Session

When you are done presenting your lesson, be sure to click the "More Actions" menu button in your Navigation Bar - it looks like three vertical dots.



Select "End Session."

The screenshot shows the 'In Progress' screen of the Pear Deck application. On the left, there is a list of student names with visibility and sort order controls. The central area is a 'Live View' showing a pear icon. At the bottom, there is a navigation bar with a 'klyss' button and a gear icon highlighted with a red box.

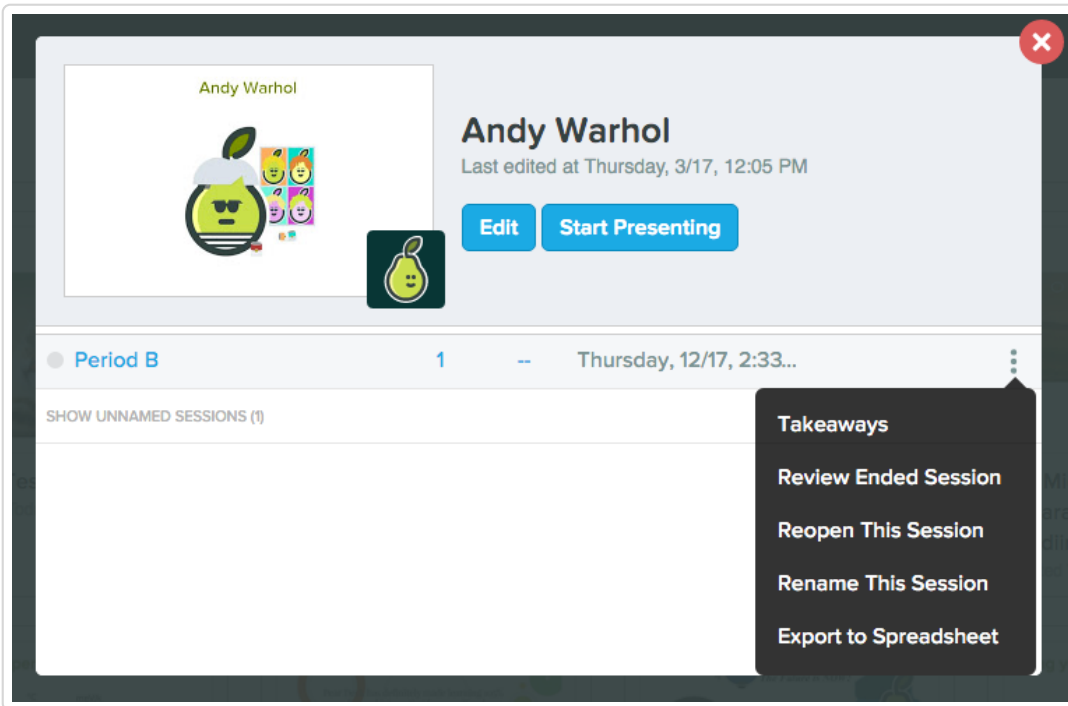
A box will appear to let you name your session - you might like to call it something like "World History Period 1." You'll notice that after you name it, you can check a box to Publish Takeaways.

The 'Ending Session' dialog box contains the following elements:

- Title:** Ending Session
- Instruction:** Enter a name for this session to quickly find and review these student responses later.
- Text Input:** Environmental Science, Period 1
- Checkbox:**  Publish Student Takeaways
- Buttons:** Cancel, Save & End Session

## From the Gear Menu

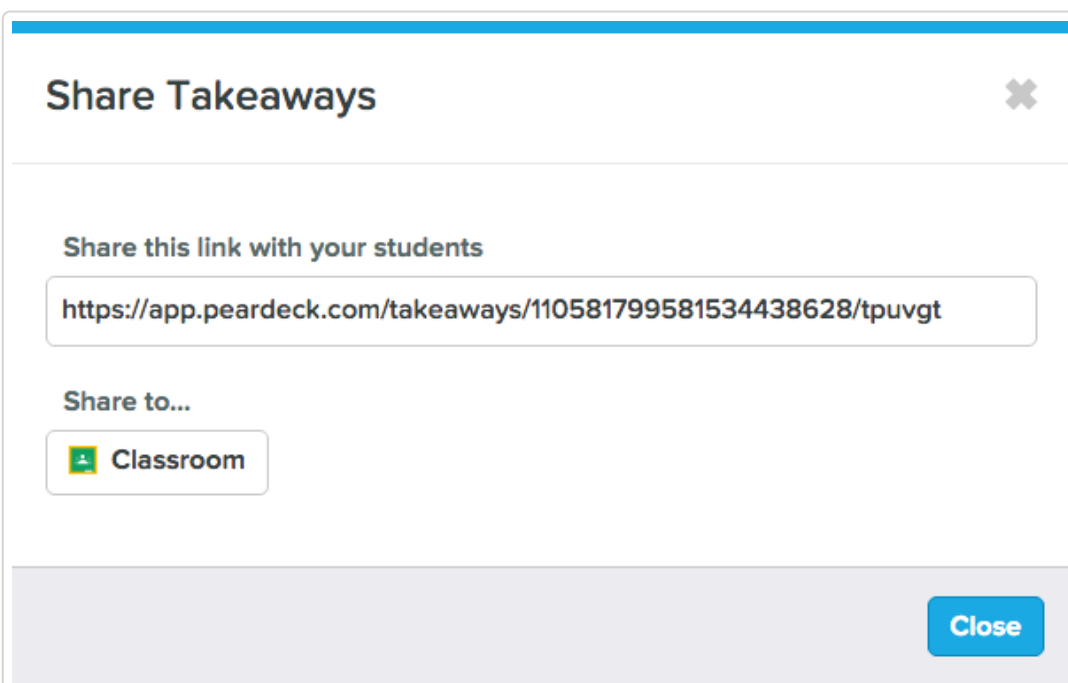
Any time you see a list of sessions you've given, you will see a "More Actions" menu next to each session in the list. Click on this icon to Publish Takeaways for that session.



The screenshot shows the Pear Deck interface for a session titled "Andy Warhol". The session was last edited on Thursday, 3/17, at 12:05 PM. There are two buttons: "Edit" and "Start Presenting". Below the session title, it shows "Period B" and "1" with a double dash "--" and "Thursday, 12/17, 2:33...". A dropdown menu is open, showing the following options: "Takeaways", "Review Ended Session", "Reopen This Session", "Rename This Session", and "Export to Spreadsheet".

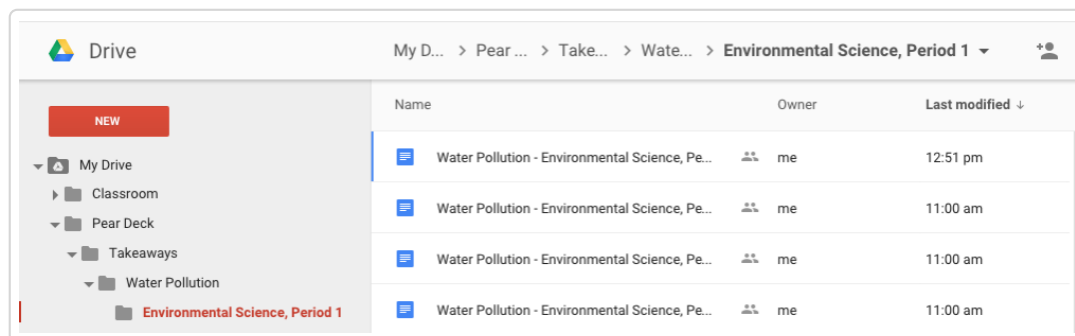
## How to Find and Comment on a Student's Takeaway

When you publish a Takeaway, you will get a link. For you, this link will take you to a list of the Takeaway documents for this Session. When you give the link to students, it will open the Takeaway made specially for that student.



The screenshot shows the "Share Takeaways" dialog box. It has a title "Share Takeaways" and a close button (X). Below the title, it says "Share this link with your students". A text box contains the link: <https://app.peardeck.com/takeaways/110581799581534438628/tpuvgt>. Below the link, it says "Share to..." and there is a button labeled "Classroom". At the bottom right, there is a "Close" button.

You can also find your Takeaways in Google Drive at any time.



Once you Publish your first Takeaway, you'll find a folder in your Drive called "Pear Deck." Under that, a folder called "Takeaways." Under that, a folder with the name of your Deck. And finally, a folder with the name of your Session. Inside the last folder, you will find all the Takeaways for the class period.

So if I present the Deck "Water Pollution" to Period 2 and publish a Takeaway for that class, there will be a second folder underneath "Water Pollution" with all of the Takeaways for Period 2.

Tomorrow, if I present a Deck called "Air Pollution," and publish Takeaways, there will be a second folder under "Takeaways" called "Air Pollution."

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