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DIGESTIBLES FOR DISTANCE LEARNING

Small Ideas for a Big Job!

DIGESTIBLES #8

The Game-Changing Distance Learning Software Updates....

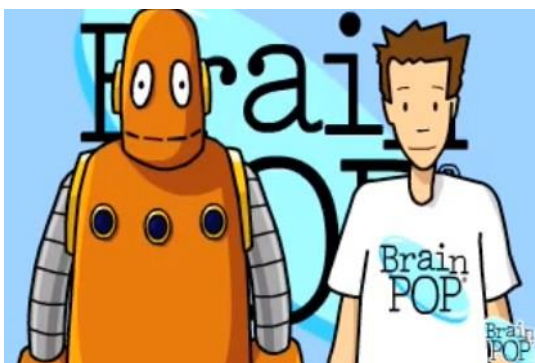
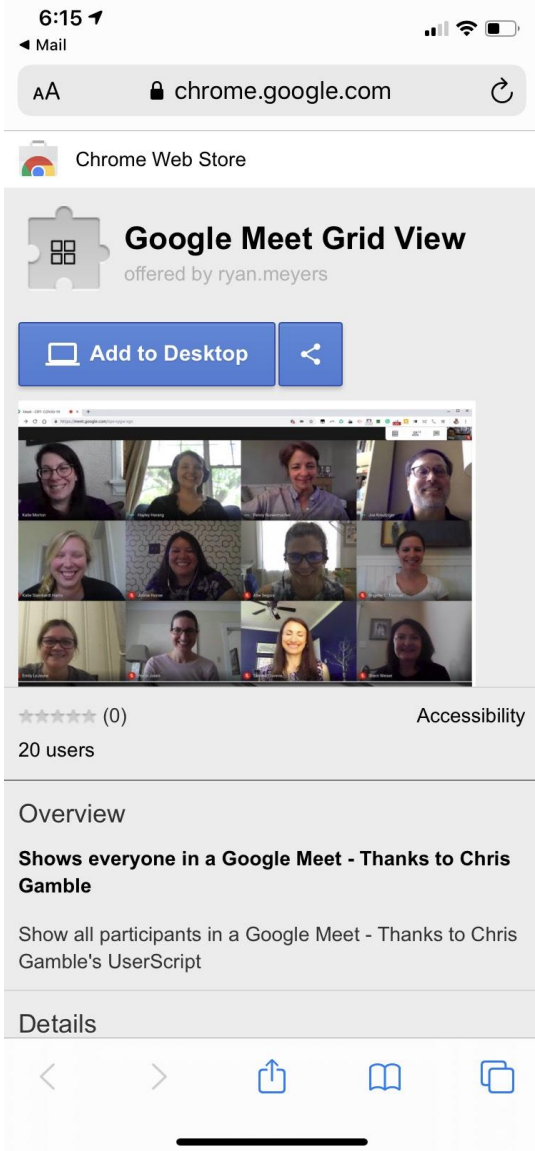
Myriad lengthy spreadsheets are circulating sharing dozens, or hundreds of **software packages that are now available at no cost** to independent schools to support distance learning. **This is not one of those.** Those can be overwhelming...which ones are the right ones to try? Today, we're going to focus on suggesting **two well-known and appreciated tools** that are now free to educators and parents. Happy weekend! Finally, a video-conference-free day tomorrow!

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Creating A Feeling of Classroom Online

A lot of our schools are using [Zoom Virtual Meeting](#) tool for their distance learning. However, just as many of us are using the free [Google Hangouts Meet](#) software in tandem with [Google Classroom](#). The big complaint? **The number of "screens" that the teacher can see was limited--thus some students could not be seen by the teacher.** One of our brilliant teacher minds has created a Google Chrome Extension to solve this problem! **Google Meet Grid View to the rescue!** Your tech director can roll this out to the entire school if you have chromebooks, or you can just use it for your classrooms, too.

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BrainPop Goes Free!

A lot of teachers have used the simple, straightforward, kid-friendly resources at **BrainPop**, but many have lamented the fact that you can only use **one** before you're warned that you must pay for a subscription to use another. They've changed their policies and now it's free for the time being! **Each mini video comes with activities and ASSESSMENTS** (the big topic of conversation, we know!).

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