

Increasing Family Engagement



By the end of this session, you'll be able to:

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↑ Get everyone connected and engaged in your classroom community

↓ Learn how to use Class Stories, Events, Chats, & Announcements

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↑ Kickoff to Success with simple ways to give families a window into their child's learning journey.

Approx 45 minutes

PRO TIP

Purple Font is hyperlinked and takes you to our [Help Desk](#), where you'll get more "how to" information.

Getting connected

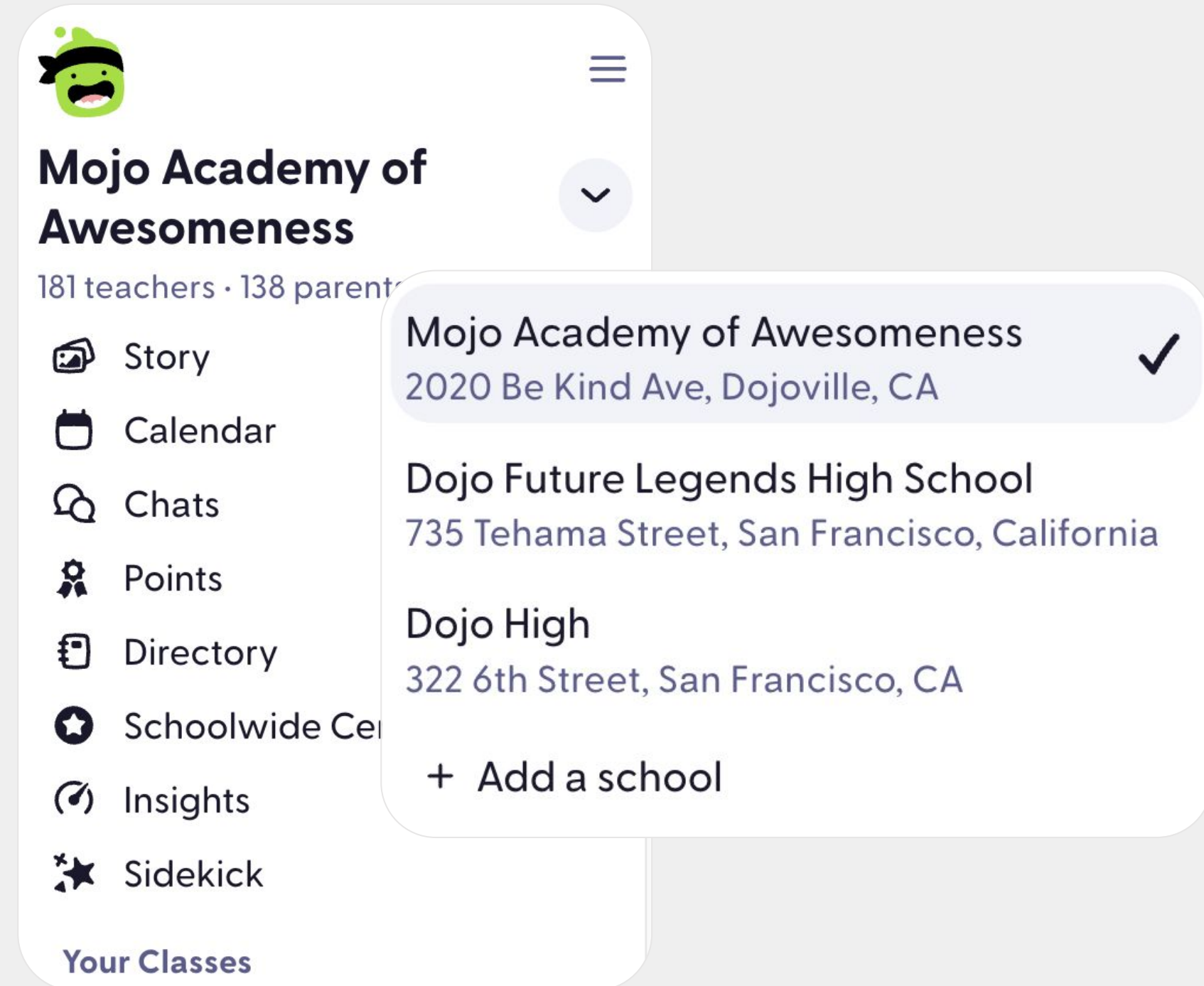
- Add your class, students
- Invite families

Getting connected to your school

- Use the [search function](#) to find your school and request to join
- Be sure to verify your account so you're fully connected to your school community
- PLUS: You can connect to multiple schools, perfect for teachers on multiple campuses!
- Once you're connected to your school, any parents already connected to student accounts will automatically be connected to your class!

PRO TIP

Check your spam folder for the verification email. Also, your [mentor](#) can also verify you! If you're still stuck, email us at hello@classdojo.com



Try it out, risk free

Use the Demo Class to follow along during our session, it's the perfect place to practice, play, and get comfortable using ClassDojo features without impacting your real classroom.

Don't worry, it's just for you—no students, no families, no pressure!

 **Demo Class**

Classroom

Class Story

Chats

Calendar

Dojo Islands

Students

Groups


Whole Class


Beyoncé


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Justin


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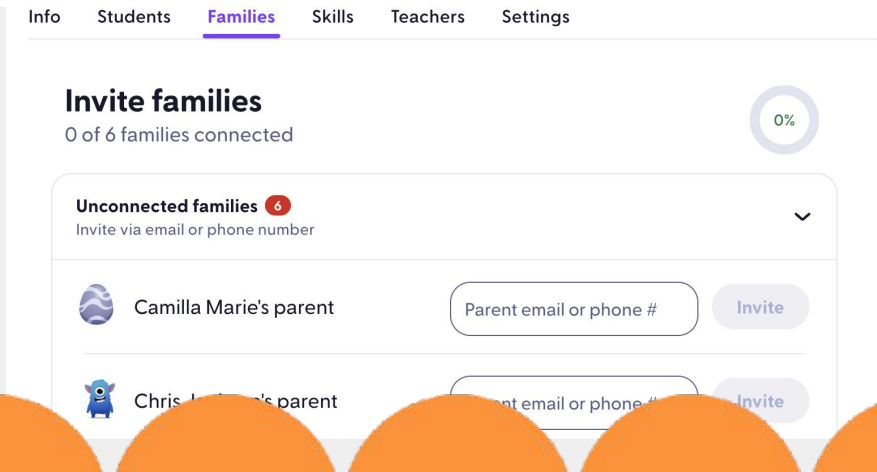
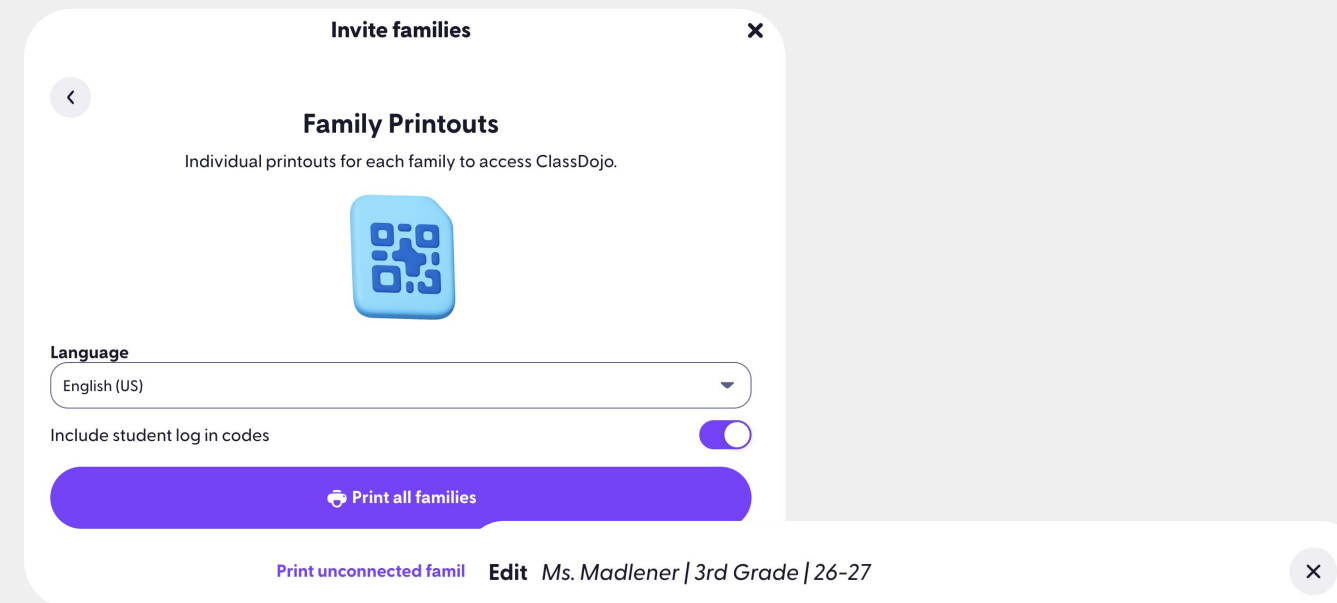
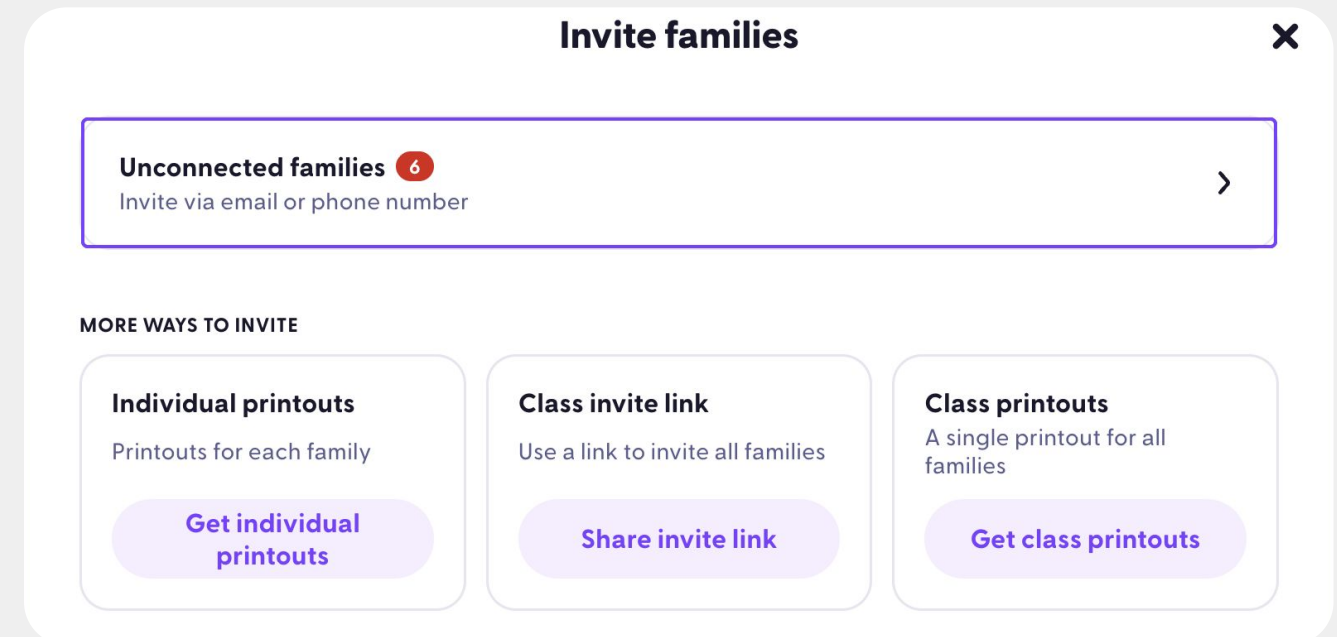
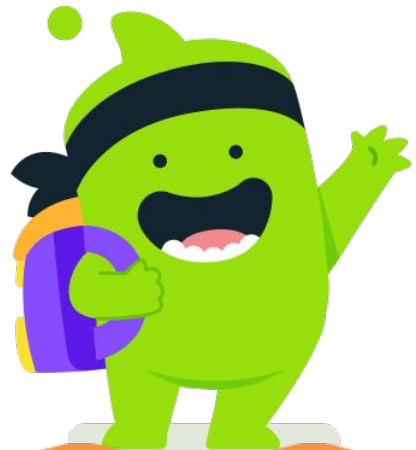
Add students

Connect Families

Create a bridge between home and classroom

There are several easy ways to get families connected:

- Share your [class link](#) during Back-to-School Night or in a welcome message
- [Download and print](#) individual invites—available in multiple languages
- Invite families by [phone number or email](#) if you have their contact info handy



Connecting Student Accounts

Giving students voice and ownership

There are several log-in options for students:

- Scan a QR code (great for shared or camera-ready devices)
- Enter a 6-character text code
- Sign in with Google (best for Chromebooks)
- Use an individual login link
- Toggle from a parent's account (great for at-home use)



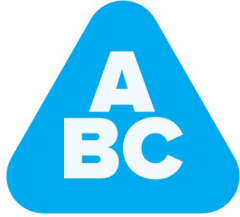
Pro Tip - Hatching Eggs

Students will appear as eggs until they log in for the first time. There are several simple [ways to help them hatch](#) and [join your class!](#)

How will your students log in?



Scan QR Code
Recommended for camera-enabled devices.
Students log in by scanning your class code.



Enter text code
Recommended for devices without camera OR 1:1 devices.
Students log in by typing a 6-character code.



Sign in with Google
Recommended for students with their own Google accounts.

[Confirm QR sign-in](#)

[Need help? FAQs are here](#)



At home login

Send personal login instructions to your students' parents. These are unique to each student—treat them like passwords!

[Get printouts](#) [Send to \(11\) parents](#)

	Abraham L. Casas View instructions	Send to parents 
	Adalind Holz View instructions	NOT CONNECTED Share another way

Strengthening Classroom Connections

Build 1:1 Connections

Stay connected with families—no phone number required.

Send Private Messages

- With [automatic translations](#) in over 190 languages
- [Schedule messages](#) and reminders in advance
- Read receipts let you know when messages have been seen
- [Share files and photos](#) to support learning at home
- Keep a record of your communications and [download your message history](#)

Group Messages

- [Create group messages](#) with multiple parents or teachers
- Add/ remove members as needed
- Label groups to keep your inbox organized

Class Updates

- Reach all families at once with [Updates](#)—perfect for announcements and reminders
- Parents can't reply (ideal for one-way communication)
- Co-teachers can send announcements too!



Pro Tip - Balance is Best

Use [Quiet Hours](#) to set times you won't receive message notifications and mute weekend notifications. You can also disable your read statuses.

Translation for Families

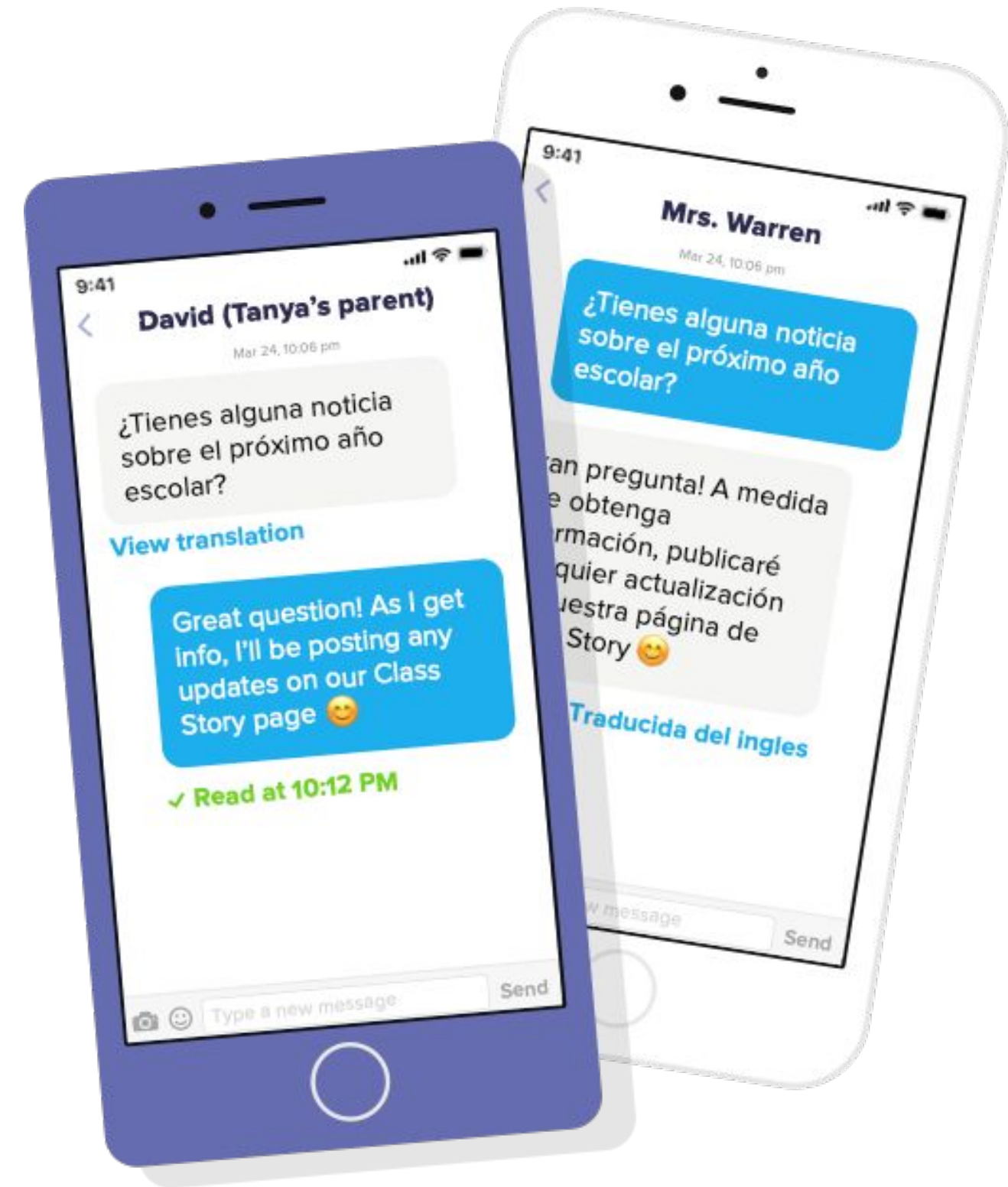
Breaking language barriers so every family feels connected

- Parents can translate messages and Story posts on both the web and their app.
- Thanks to our integration with Google Translate, ClassDojo [supports over 190 languages!](#)
- Families can easily change their language settings to the one that works best for them.



Pro Tip - Need help supporting families?

We've got a guide for that! [Share this resource](#) with families to help them update their language settings and stay connected with your classroom.



Do More with Class Story

The easiest way to capture and share your classroom magic.

- ★ **NEW:** [Post across multiple classes](#)! Choose from the drop down list to post across all of your classes
- ★ **NEW:** Already using Canva? Now you can create beautiful [designs in Canva](#) and share it directly to your Story - no extra download needed!
- ★ **NEW:** [Pin a post](#) to the top of your story feed so it stays front and center (*web only*)
- Sidekick is built-in to Story Posts (*web only*), effortlessly add some creativity to your posts to make them more engaging
- [Schedule posts](#) up to 6 months in advance for your Class Story
- [Turn on comments](#) to spark conversation and build connection with families - or turn on student comments to get them involved too!

New post

 Lauren Madlener

What a year it's been! 🌟 All clubs will be wrapping up on May 22nd, and what an incredible journey we've shared together. From start to finish, we can't wait to welcome you Here's to the memories we've

☒ Ms. M's Communication Arts Club

☐ Ms. Madlener | 3rd Grade | 26-27

☒ 26/27 Drama Club

2 classes

Post

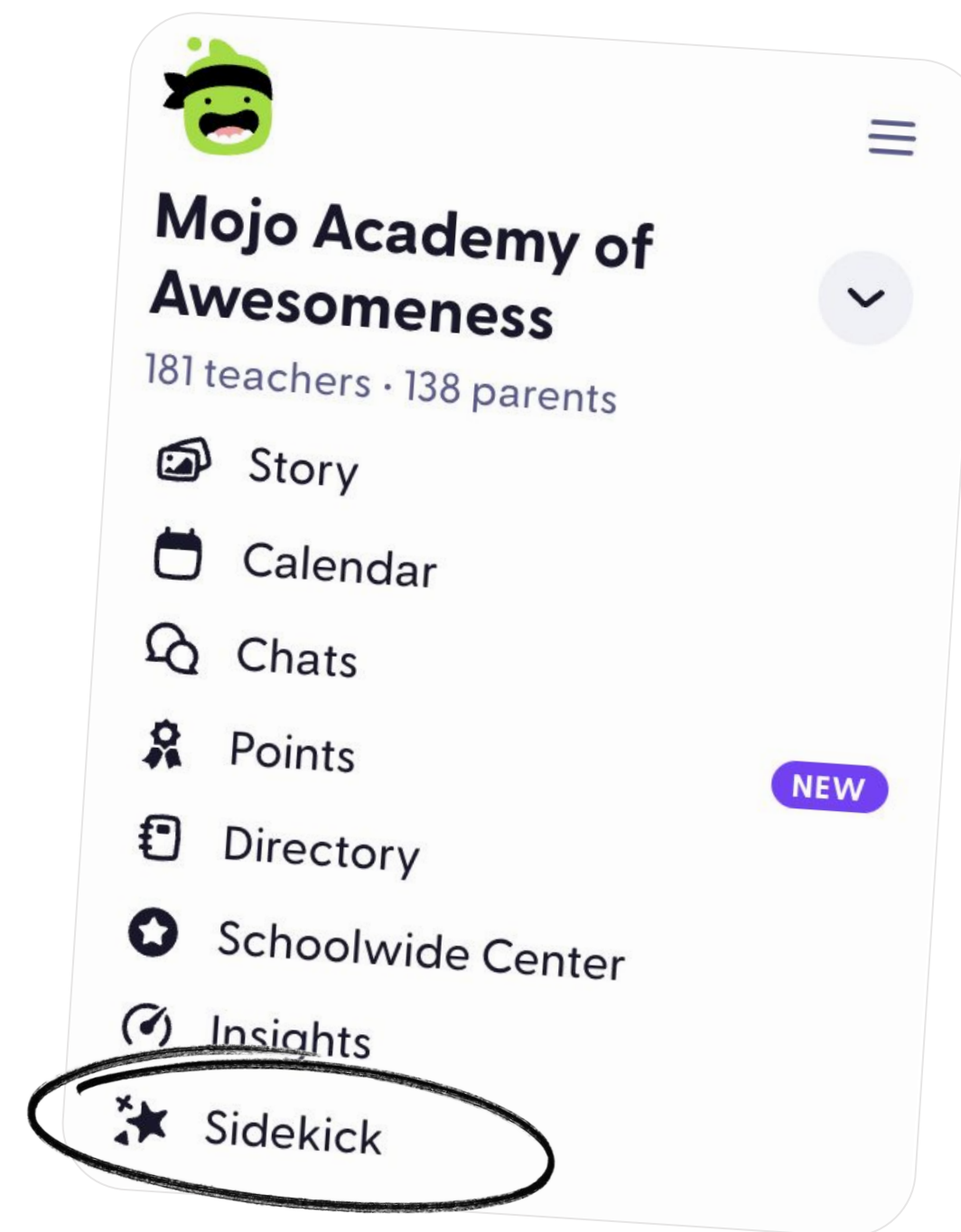
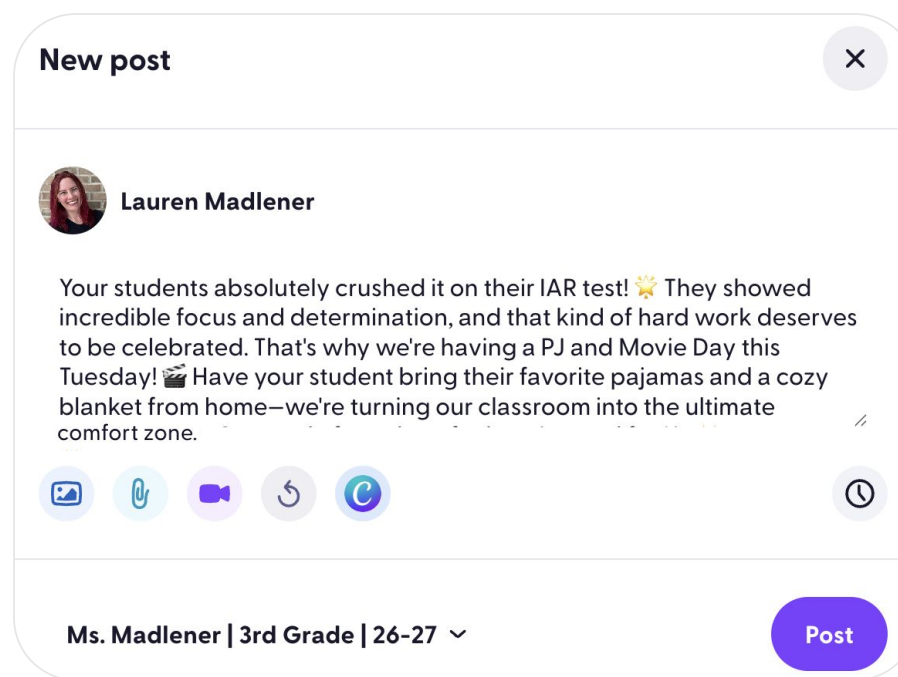
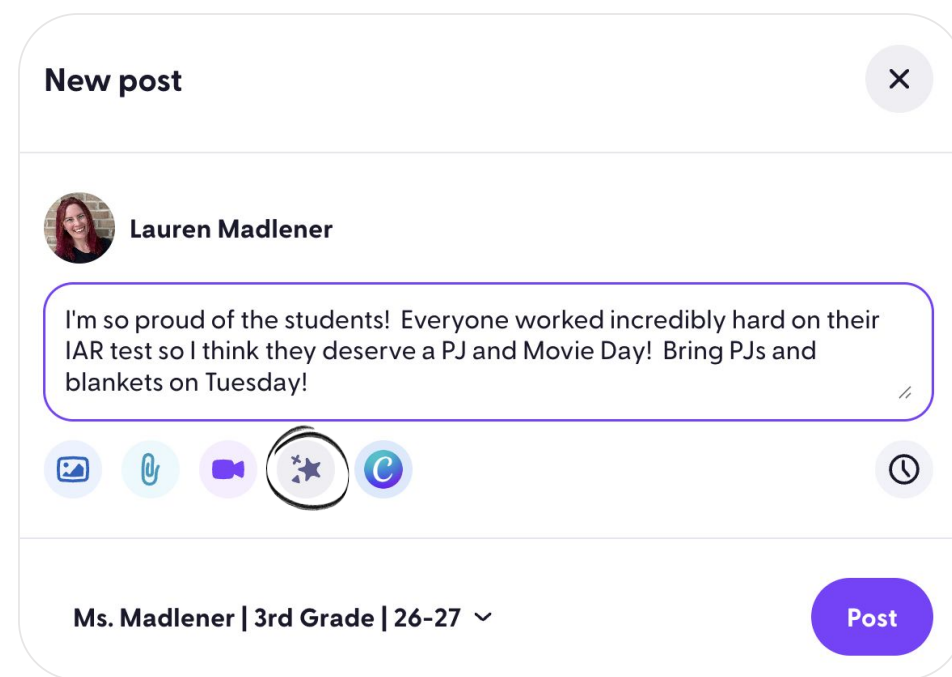


Sidekick

Your AI Assistant – right from your dashboard.

Use Sidekick to help you:

- Write a Class Story post
- Draft report card comments
- Write a message or respond to a message
- Create Behavior Intervention Plans
- Lesson Plans
- Create a quiz game



Plan Ahead with Calendar & Sign-Ups

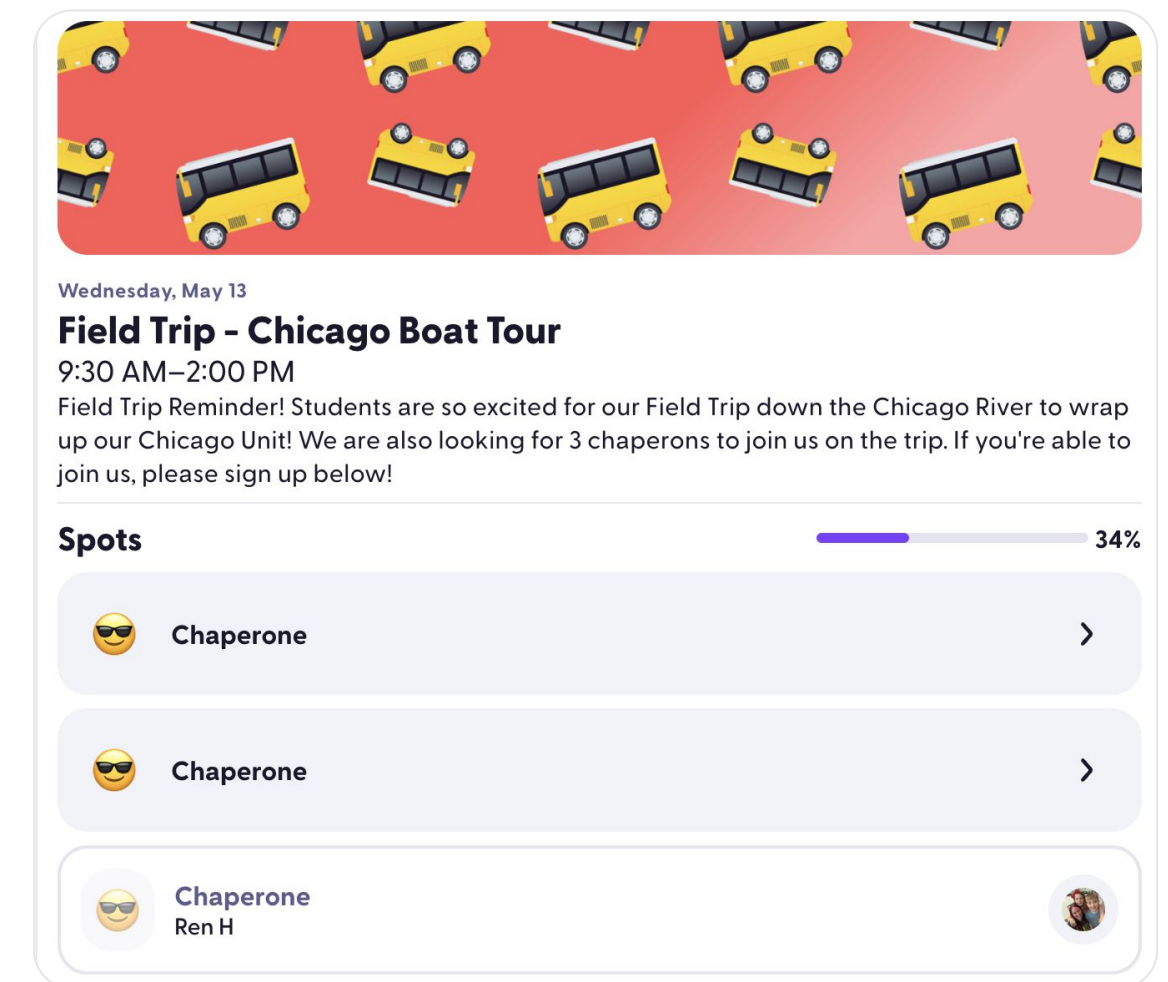
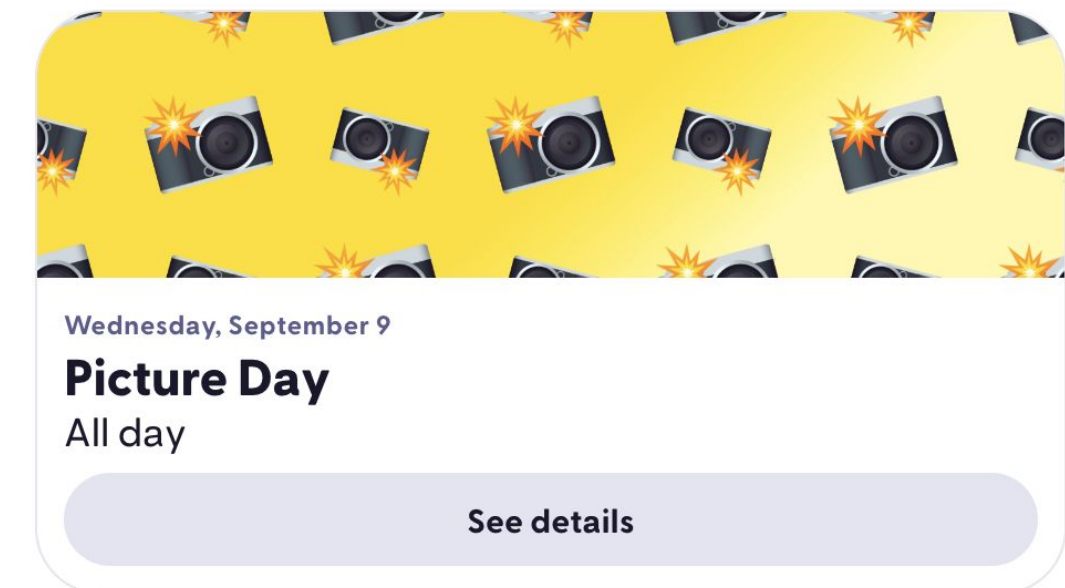
Never Miss A Moment with Class Calendar

- [Create events](#) for spirit days, celebrations, conferences, and more
- Send automatic reminders to families
- Share events to your Calendar and Class Story
- Add [sign-up slots](#) to your Events for donations, supplies, chaperones, and more!
- **NEW:** [Sync your ClassDojo events](#) directly to your Google or Apple calendars!



Pro Tip - Print your sign ups

Easily print sign-ups as a PDF for school records, to share with the front office staff, or just to help keep yourself organized!



Growing Connections Schoolwide

Share Schoolwide Updates

School Story is a chance to highlight what makes your school special. Celebrate students, highlight classes, or shout out a teacher!

- Upload up to 20 photos at once—perfect for celebrating big moments and daily wins
- [Schedule](#) posts up to 6 months in advance for your School Story
- [Turn on comments](#) to spark conversation and build connection with families
- View which parents have seen your post and in which language
- Share important school info like [newsletters and flyers](#)—and know it's reaching every family.
- **NEW:** Have an important update you don't want families to miss? Now you can [pin a Story post](#) to the top of your feed!
- **NEW:** Canva is integrated in the School Story feed as well!

Ms. Myles-Director of Student Achievement
Mojo Academy of Awesomeness

MOJO ACADEMY of AWESOMENESS: WINTER WARMTH & HOLIDAY HELP
COMMUNITY RESOURCE LIST for November 2025

KEEP WARM: WINTER CLOTHING & GEAR
Coats of Courage Drive-Thru
 What: New & gently-used coats, hats, and gloves for all ages. Pick-up and
 When: Saturday, November 9, 2025
 Where: Mojo Academy Main Parking Lot (125 Awesome Way)
 No Sign-Up Needed!

Awesome Attire Clothing Closet
 What: Emergency free clothing for students (pants, shirts, shoes)
 When: Mon Nov. 11 - Fri, Nov. 15 (3:30 PM - 5:00 PM daily)
 Where: The Mojo Annex Building, Room 10B (454-Sparkle St.)
 ACTION: Register on the Mojo Academy website by Nov. 15.

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HARVEST EAST: THANKSGIVING & FOOD SUPPORT
Turkey Time Giveaway
 What: Free frozen turkey & box of families tides for families.
 When: Wednesday, November 20, 2025 (4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (daily)
 Where: The Mojo Annex Building, Room 10B (454 Sparkle St.)
 ACTION: Register on the Mojo Academy website by Nov. 15.
 Tudu's Turkey Time Sign-Up Form on "Turkey Time Sign-Up Form."

HOLIDAY CHEER: DECEMBER PLANNING
Sparkle & Shine Christmas Gift Program
 What: Confidential program to provide wrapped gifts for children ages 5-12).
 Sign-Up Period: November 1st - November 25th, 2025
 How to Enroll: Complete the confidential "Holiday Gift Request" form in the "Resources" section of our ClassDojo page.
 Don't Miss Out! The Turkey Time Giveaway and Sparkle & Shine Gift Program require you to complete a sign-up form BEFORE.

Wrapping up our Mojo Academy families with winter support! We've gathered cozy resources to keep everyone warm and thriving this season. From free meal programs to indoor activity ideas, we've got you covered! 🧣 Local libraries are offering reading challenges with hot cocoa included, and the community center has opened their indoor playground (perfect for those "too cold to go outside" days!). Need warm clothing? The donation center on Main Street has quality winter gear available. Stay toasty, stay connected, and remember - we're just an email away if you need anything! 🌨️
 #MojoFamilyCare #WinterWarmth

Translation viewed by 1 parent

5 likes 3 comments 69 views

Like Comment

Schoolwide Events

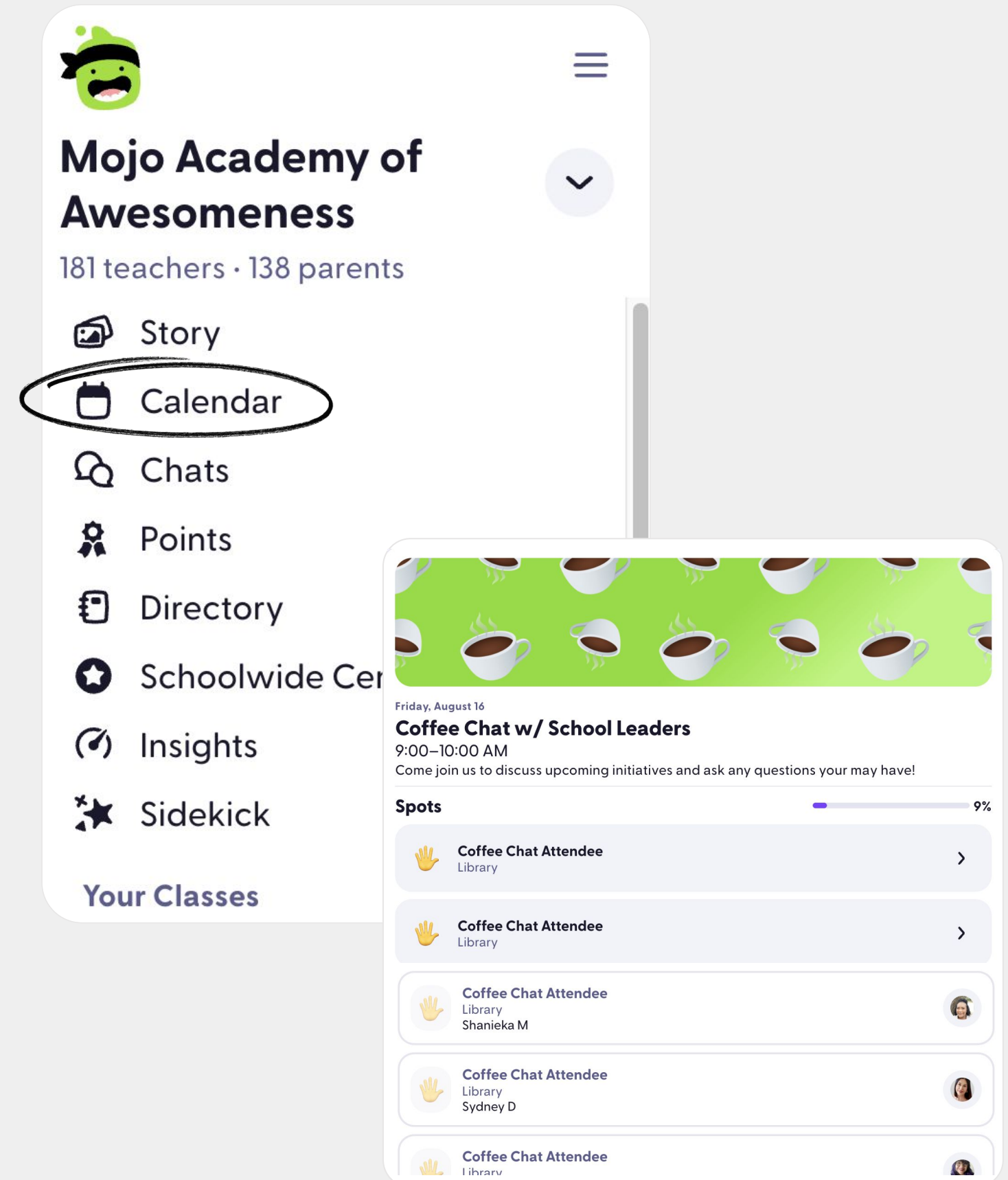
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- [Create events](#) for early dismissals, PTA events, spirit days, conferences, and more!
- Add [sign-up slots](#) to your Schoolwide Events for donations, RSVPs, volunteers, etc.
- Send automatic reminders to families
- Calendar events will appear in the Calendar and and School Story
- Events show up chronologically for parents, so adding an event later on won't affect your calendar flow
- **NEW:** [Sync your ClassDojo events](#) directly to your Google or Apple calendars!



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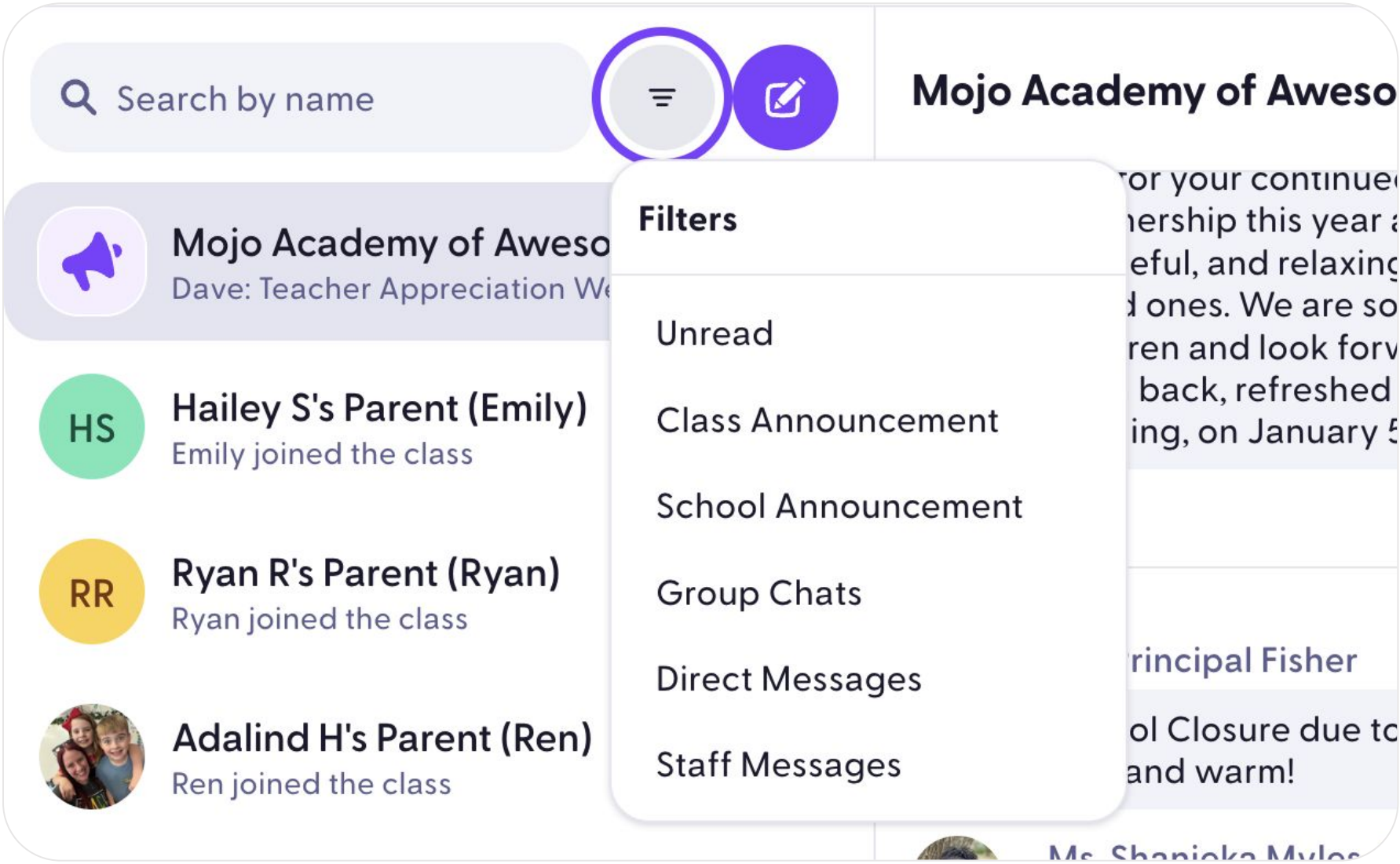


Collaborate with Your School Staff

Add Co-Teachers: Invite anyone who needs to stay in the loop—specials teachers, aides, or support staff.

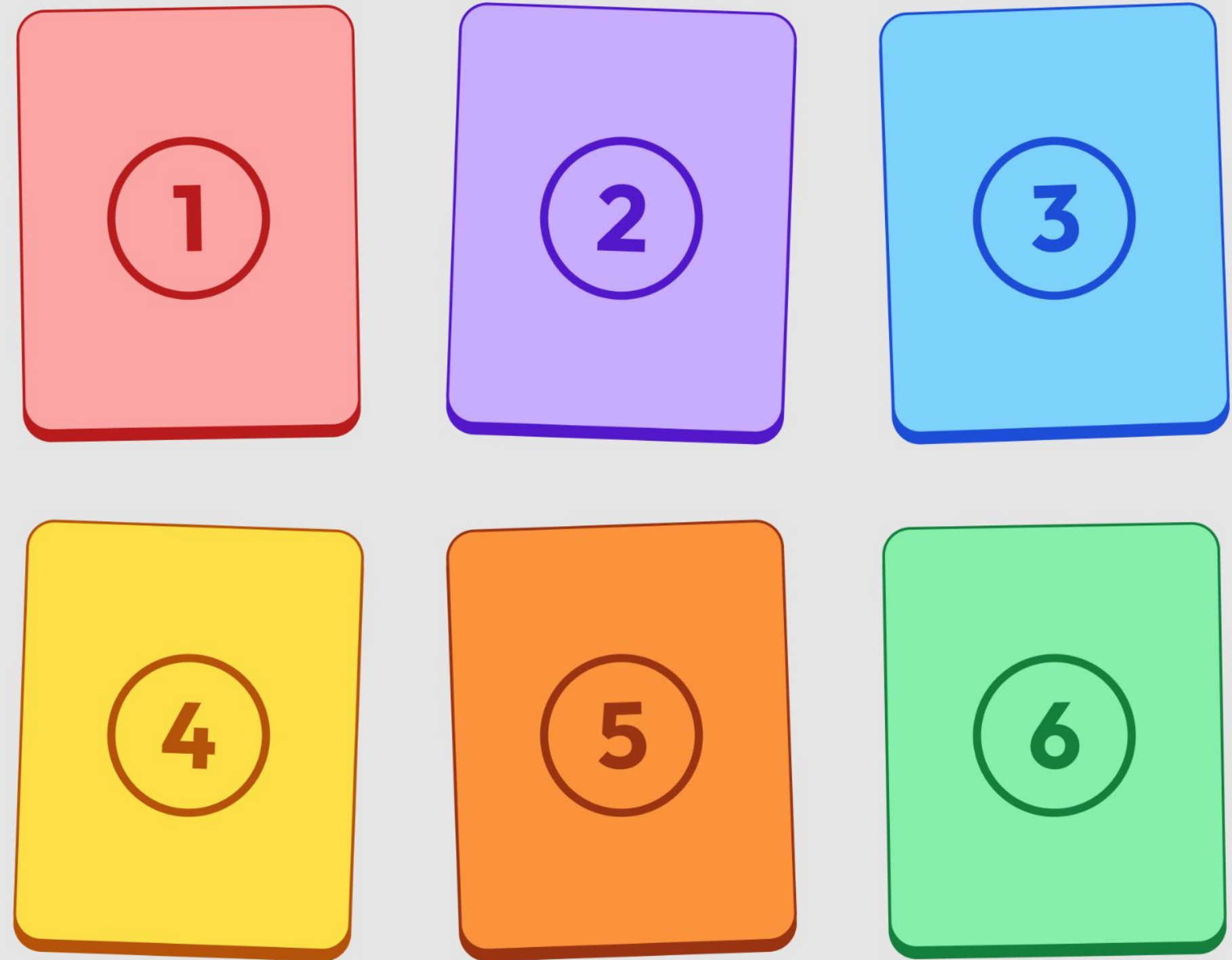
Staff Chats: Instantly message co-teachers, the front office, or the whole staff without leaving your classroom workflow.

Group Chat: Create targeted groups: parents + staff, grade-level teams, and more!
Organize your inbox by renaming group chats



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Drop your guess in the chat!



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Scenario #1

Answer:

Announcements

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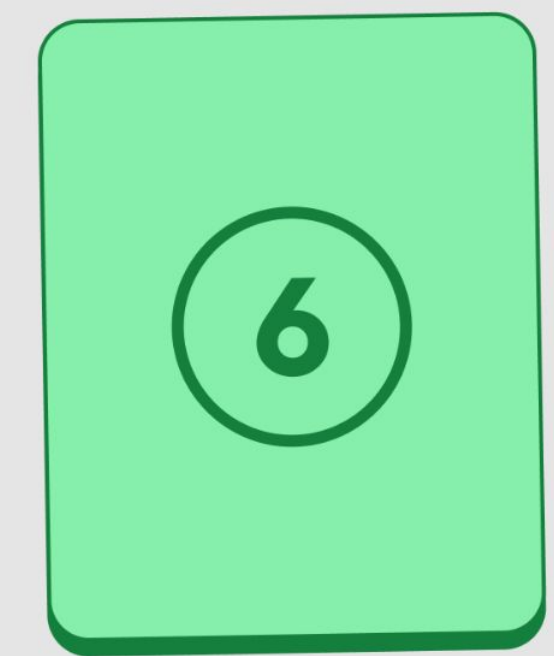
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Clue

You want to send a thank-you message to a parent volunteer but you're short on time. Which feature could help you write it fast?

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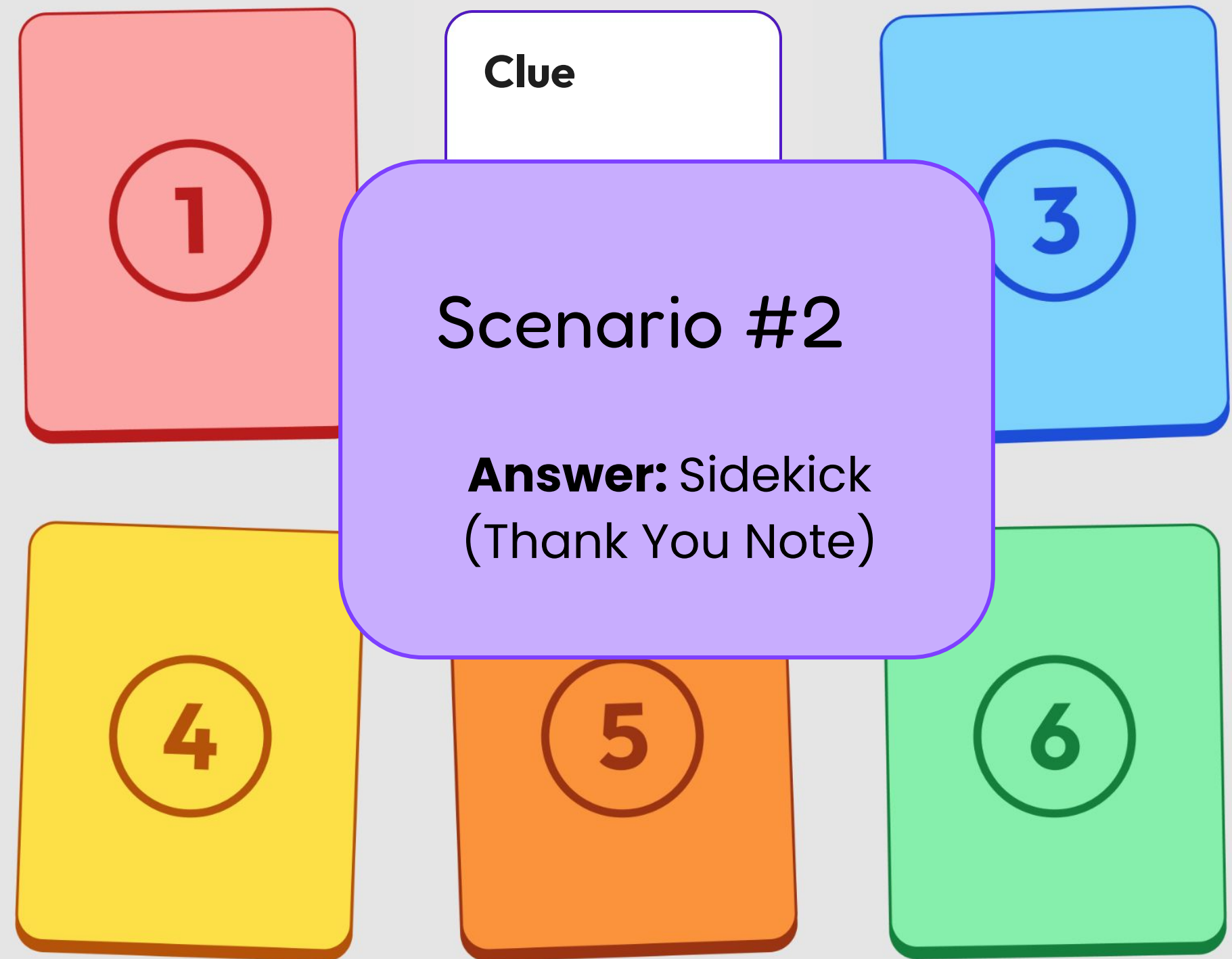
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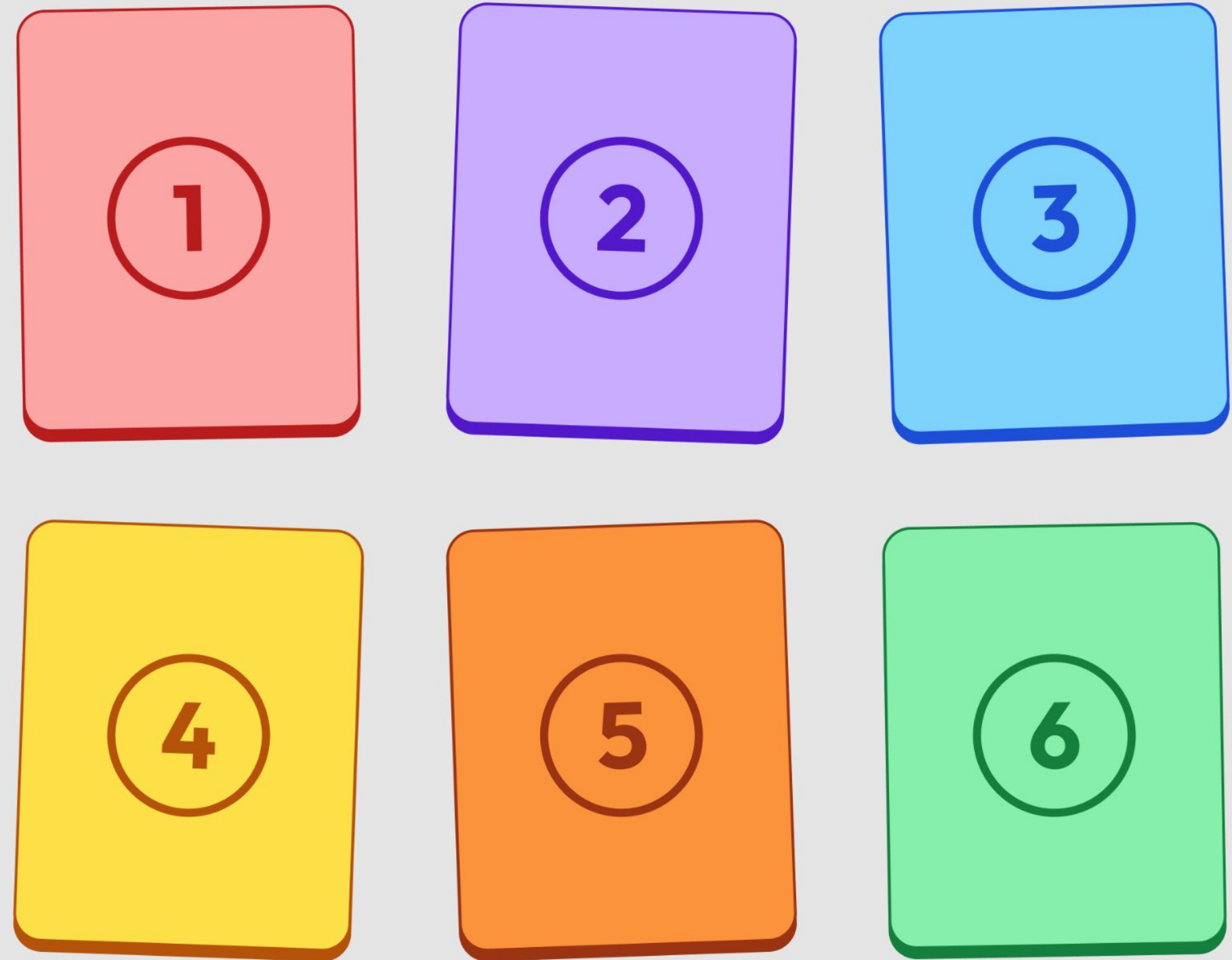
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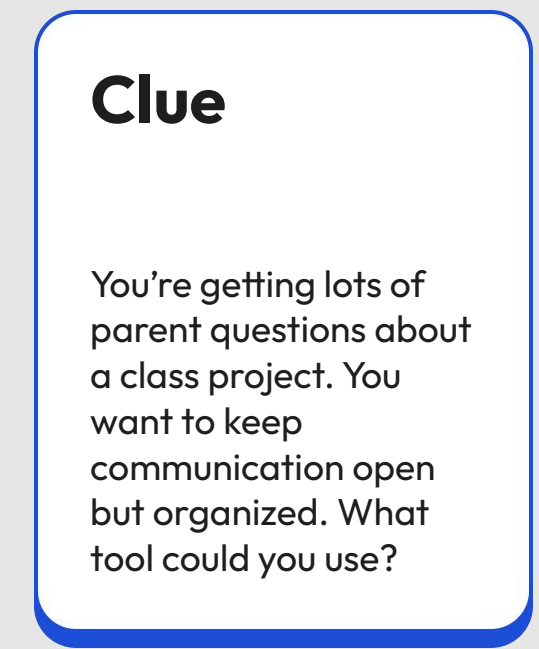
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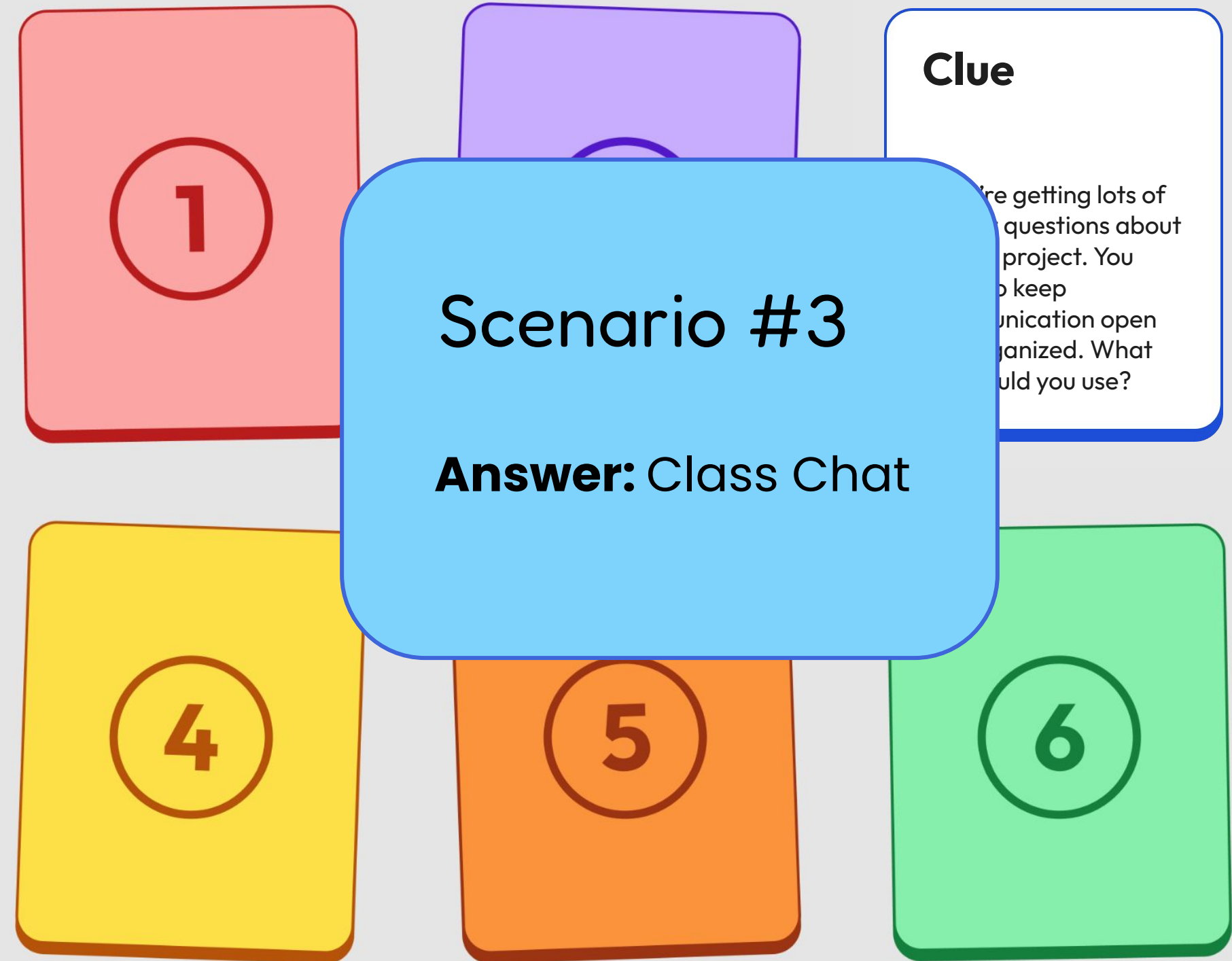
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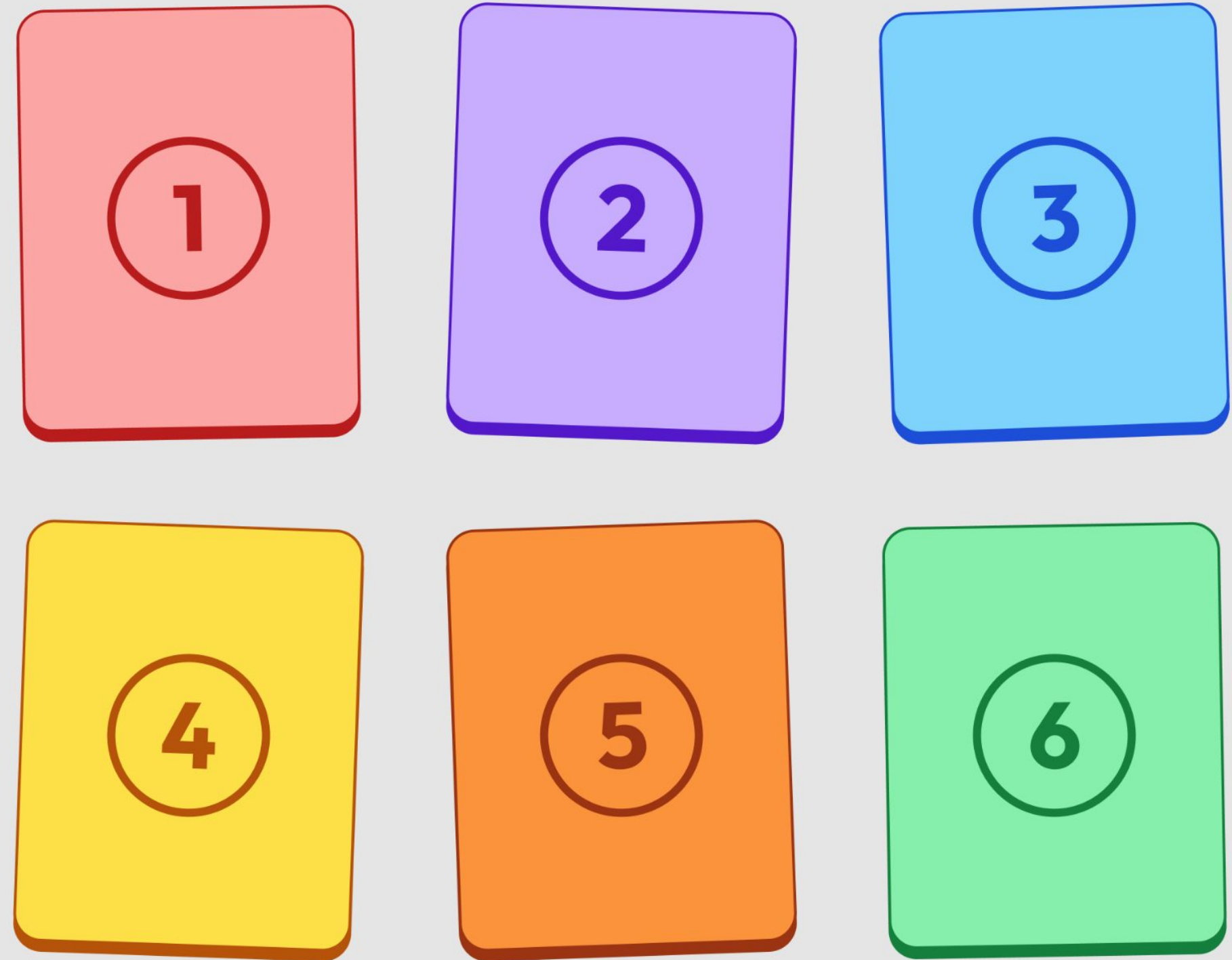
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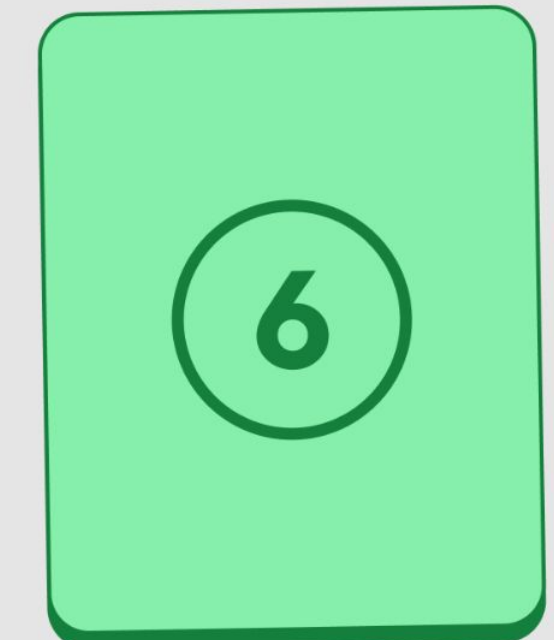
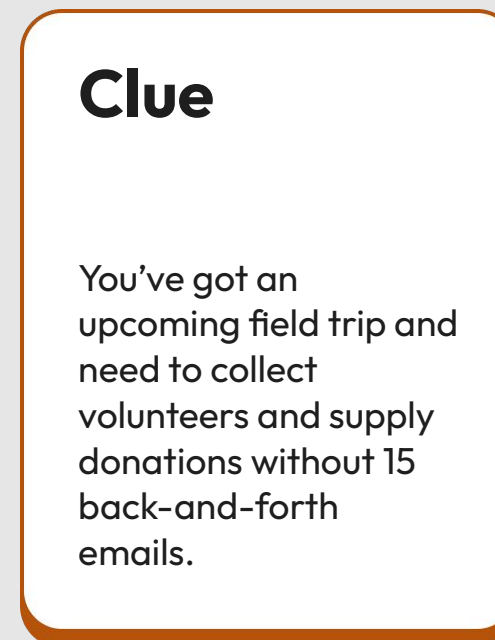
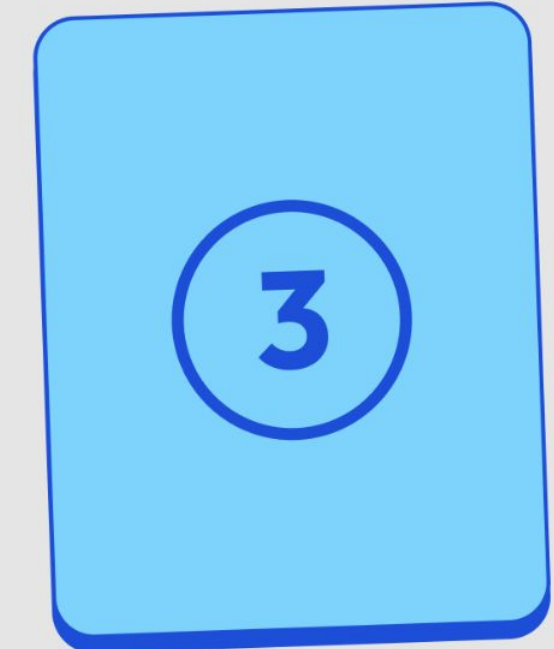
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Scenario #4

Answer: Calendar & Sign Ups

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You've got an upcoming field trip and need to collect volunteers and supply donations without 15 back-and-forth emails.

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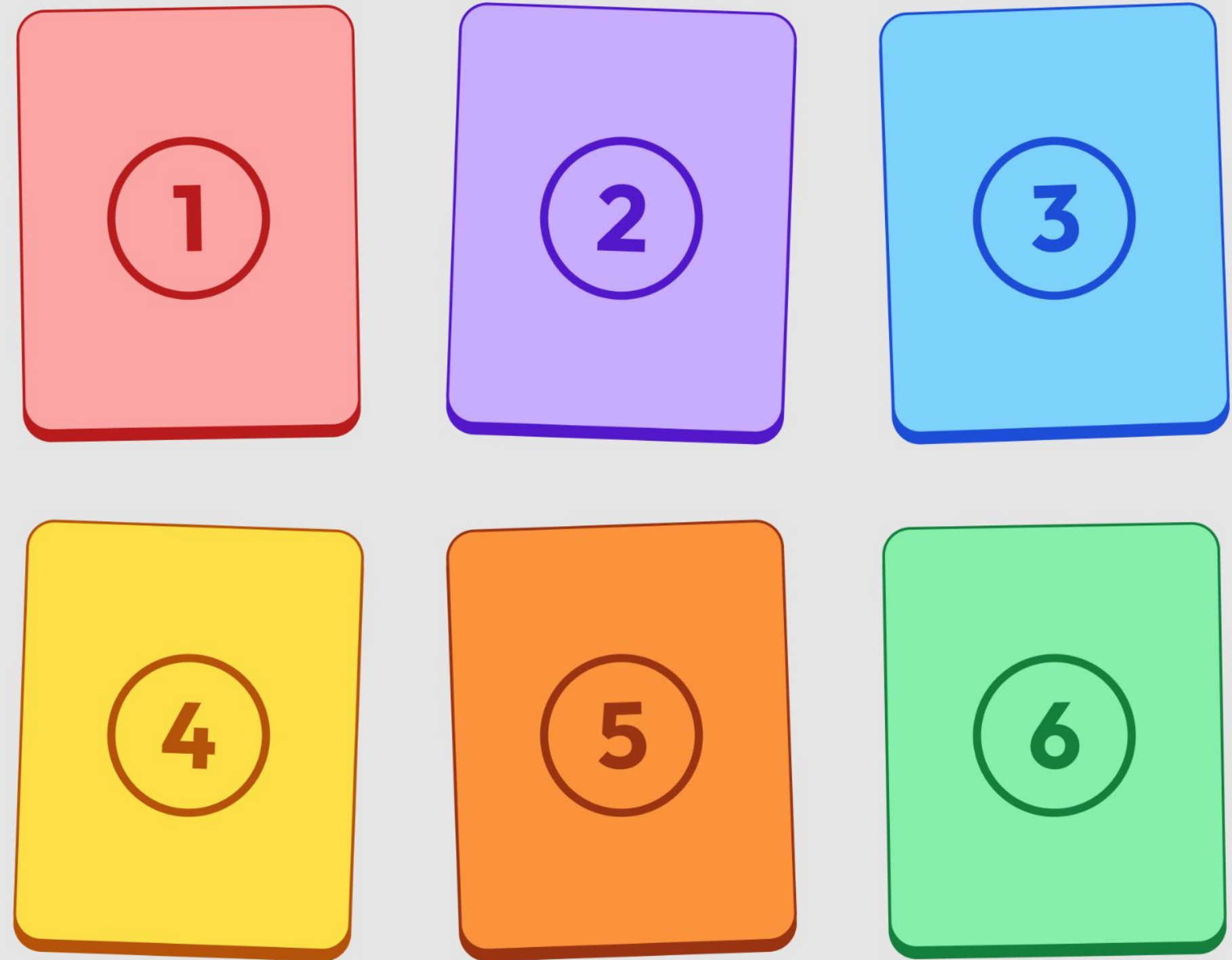
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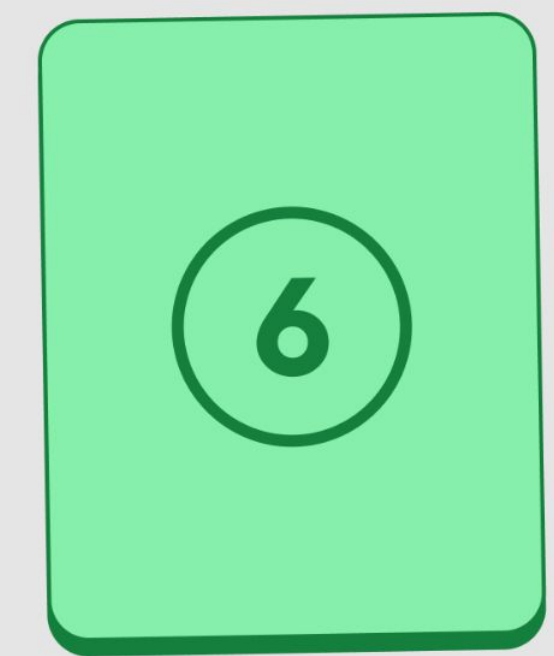
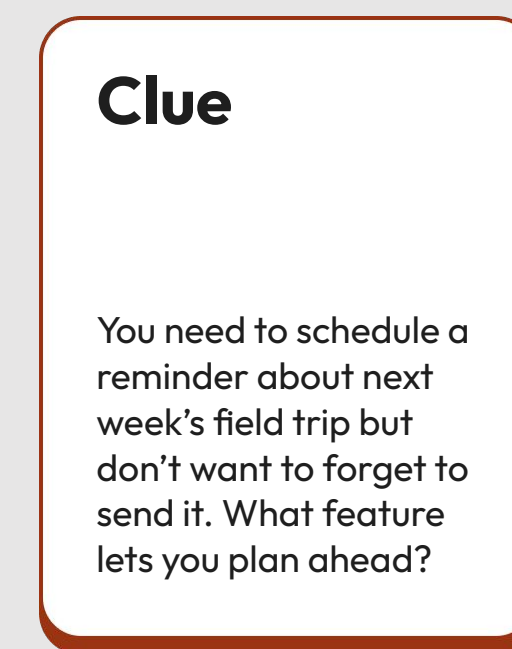
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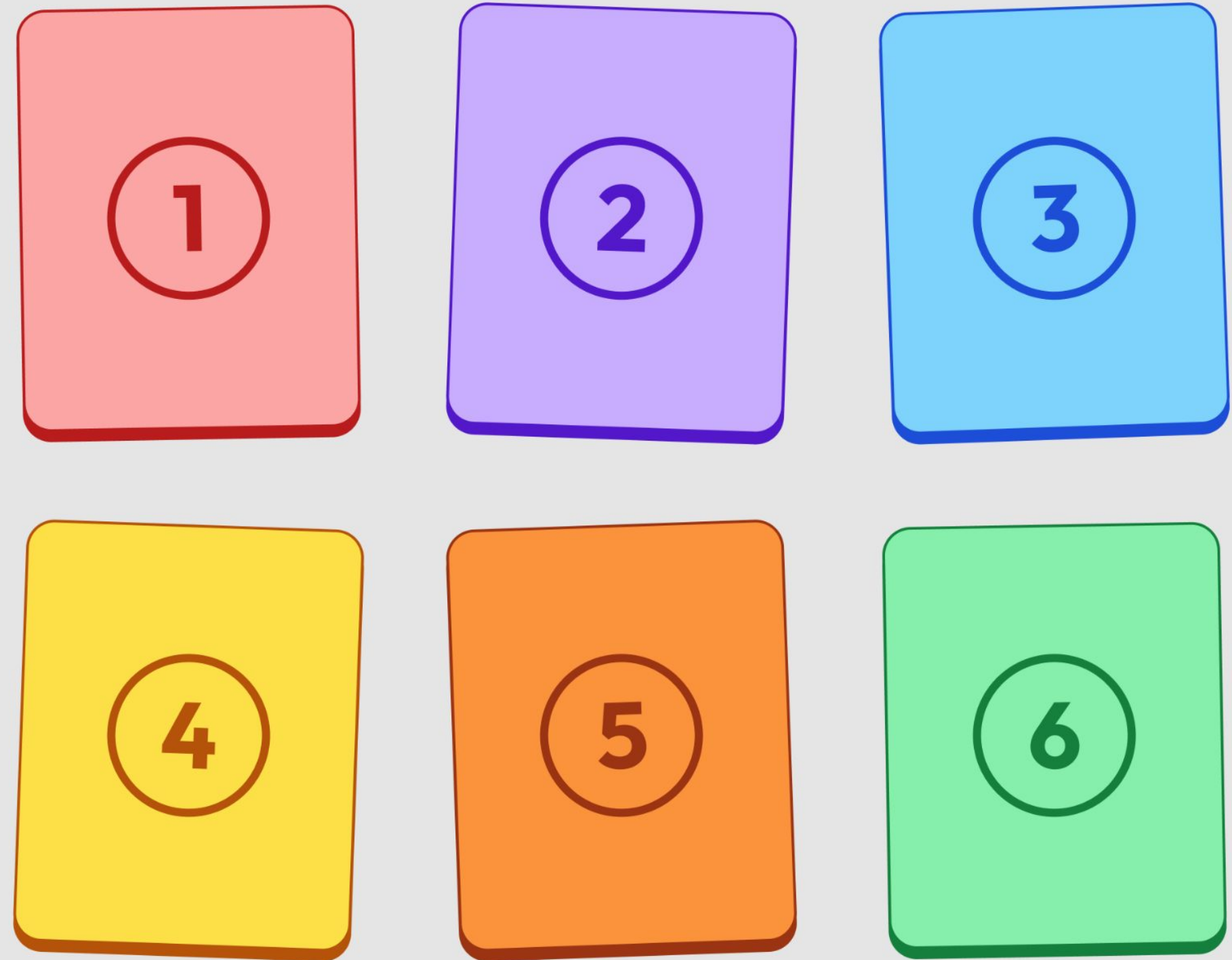
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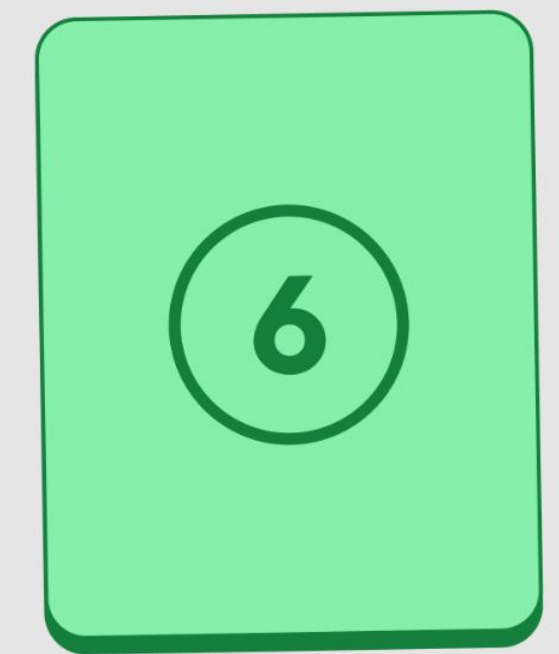
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**Thanks for
Playing
Guess the
feature!**



Kickoff to Success: Your Week 1 Game Plan

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↑ Get everyone connected

- Create a class, add students, and invite families.
- Print out your individual parent invites and get them ready for back to school night

↓ Schedule birthday posts

- Got your roster? Schedule student's birthday posts before school starts so you don't forget, and they feel special!

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↑ Plan your first few posts

- Use our [Class Story Ideas Guide](#) to help!
- Looking for academic Class Story ideas? Check out [this guide](#) to help!

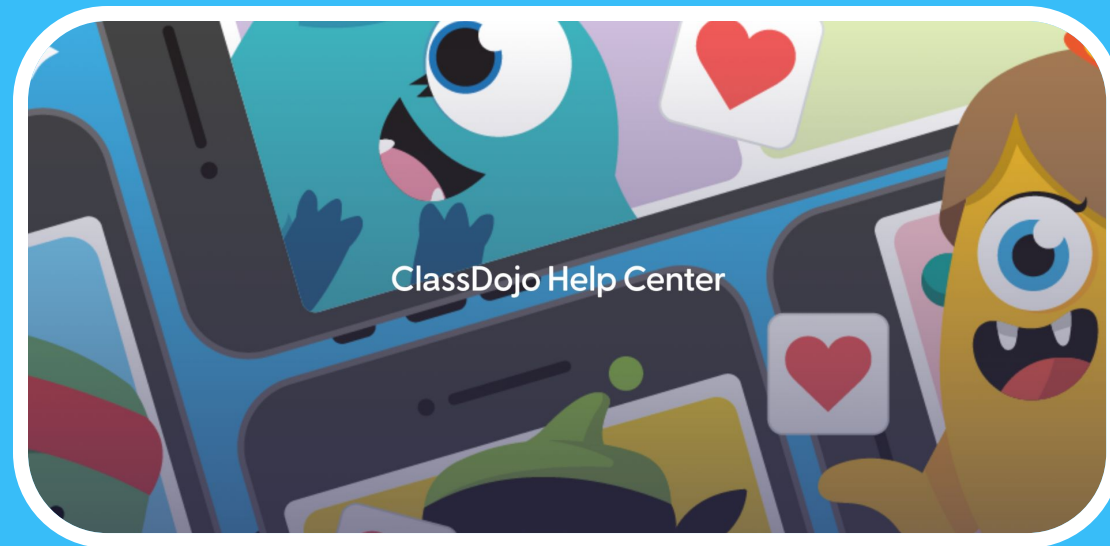
↓ Calendar Set Up

- Create events around your school calendar or plug in when big tests are coming up

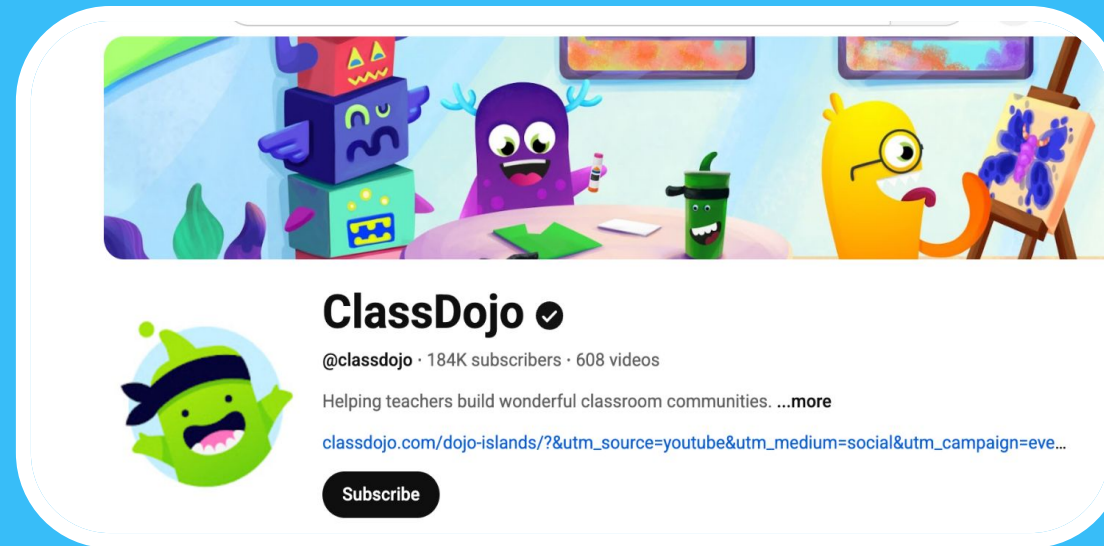
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