

5 Ideas for your first Teacher Post

Looking for an easy Teacher Post to get started with Spaces? Fastened your seat belt, you're ready for take-off! Here are 5 first post ideas to help promote student reflection and prompt engaging conversations.

1 Introduce Yourself

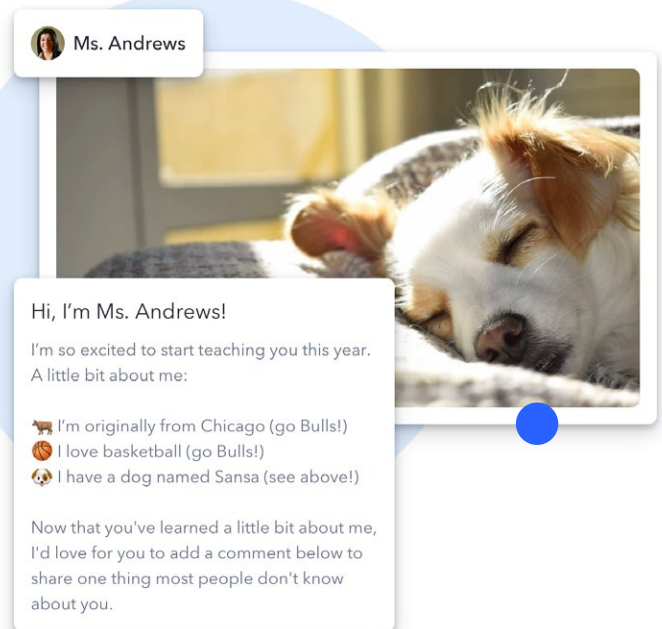
Relevant for starting a new semester or school year, record a short video or create a text entry to share three "fun facts" about yourself.

Wrap-up your introduction with a reflection prompt for students to answer, such as "Share one thing most people don't know about you".

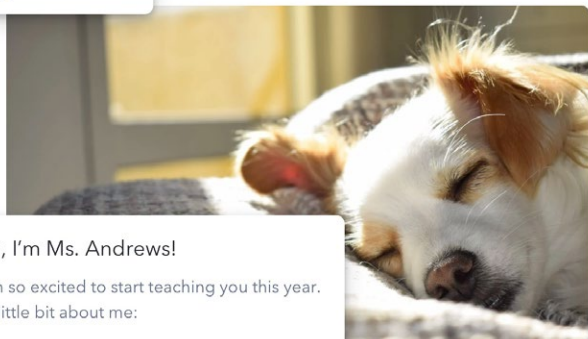
2 Pose an Icebreaker Question

Ask a thought-provoking question and get your students chatting. Here are a few ideas for questions that are fun for any age:

- If you could meet any historical figure, living or deceased, who would you choose and why?
- If you could have any animal as a pet, and that animal would not hurt you, what animal would you choose and why?
- What is something you're hoping to learn more about this year?
- What book character would you most like to be and why?



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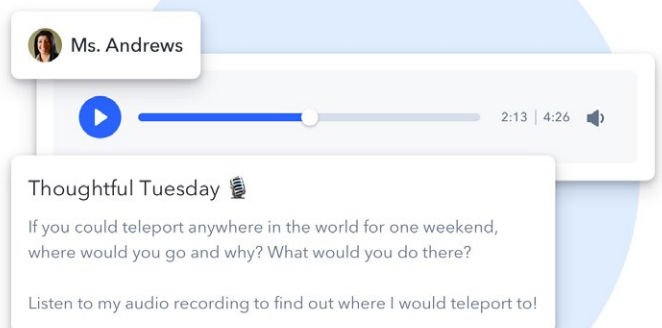


Hi, I'm Ms. Andrews!


I'm so excited to start teaching you this year. A little bit about me:

- 🐾 I'm originally from Chicago (go Bulls!)
- 🏀 I love basketball (go Bulls!)
- 🐶 I have a dog named Sansa (see above!)

Now that you've learned a little bit about me, I'd love for you to add a comment below to share one thing most people don't know about you.



Ms. Andrews



Thoughtful Tuesday 📖

If you could teleport anywhere in the world for one weekend, where would you go and why? What would you do there?

Listen to my audio recording to find out where I would teleport to!

3 Set your Student Expectations

Create a text entry detailing your expectations for students in your class and prompt students to share one expectation for you as their teacher/mentor.

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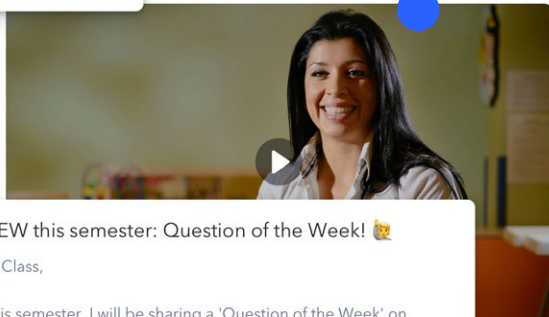
Classroom Expectations 📋

To foster a positive and safe classroom environment, I'd like to share my top 5 student expectations with you:

- 🕒 Be on time
- 📚 Come prepared for class with all your materials
- 🎓 Be considerate and respectful to your peers and school staff
- 🏫 Show respect for school property and other students
- 🗣️ Actively participate in class discussions

Now, it's your turn to share one (1) expectation that you have of me as your teacher/mentor.

Ms. Andrews



NEW this semester: Question of the Week! 🗣️

Hi Class,

This semester, I will be sharing a 'Question of the Week' on Spaces every Monday morning.

Please schedule time to answer the weekly question by 8PM on Thursday evening. You can choose to use a text entry or to record audio/video as a comment on my post. I will be reviewing and responding to your answers every Friday morning. I can't wait to see your answers to this week's question.

Check out my video and let's get talking!

4 Share a Class Update

Bring your class announcements to the small screen by sharing a class update with your students.

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History in my neighborhood 🏙️

Capture an example of history in your neighborhood this week!

History is everywhere, it's on your way home from school or on your way downtown. Think outside of the box for this one! It doesn't have to be as obvious as a plaque or a heritage site.

Comment with your example... I'll start!



Did you know the lake in Echo Park was originally a human-made reservoir to provide drinking water to our neighborhood? When the Silver Lake Reservoir was built, an architect named Joseph Henry Tomlinson turned the reservoir into a lake and park over 8 years. While they were building it they realized the lake had a natural echo!

5 Create a Mini Scavenger Hunt

Invite your students to capture a subject-specific object in their community and to tell the story behind it with a media entry.



Let's get social! Take a screenshot of your first post and tweet us at [@spaces_edu](https://twitter.com/spaces_edu)