

# Student Perceptions of Personal Learning Environments



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# What is a PLE?

## Characteristics

# PERSONAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

*Tools*  
*Communities*  
*Learning*  
*Technology*  
*Pedagogical*  
*Process*  
*Personalized*  
*Digital Learning*  
*Space/Experience*  
*Goals*



*Social Media/Web 2.0  
Tools*

*Institutional  
Learning Platforms*


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LMS



PLE

# Why projectPLE?

A banner image for the ProjectPLE website. It features a white laptop on the left with a tablet resting on it. The tablet screen displays a blue-themed interface with binary code (0s and 1s) and a grid pattern. To the right of the laptop is a wooden desk with a row of colorful books standing upright. The word "projectPLE" is written in a large, black, handwritten-style font across the bottom of the image.

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1. Name (\*could be a nickname)
2. A picture (optional)
3. Who are you, and what do you like to learn about?
4. What hardware do you use to learn?
5. What software do you use to learn?
6. What **digital tools** do you wish you had **access to** for learning? Why?
7. What might your ideal Personal Learning Environment (PLE) look like?



# Participants & Recruitment


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**Who are you, and what do you like to learn about? (academically, professionally, and/or personally)**

I am an individual who is full of passion about helping others in whatever capacity possible. On of the reasons I decided to return to college was to enhance my abilities to better service my community as well as my family. Academically, I am pursuing a degree in Social Work to assist on my journey of improving lives. Professionally, my experience in live is truly shaping an wonderful and promising career. Personally, my family come first. They loving and caring support in my endeavors aND my support to them is most important and inspiring.

**What hardware do you use to learn? (Eg. smart phone, tablet, laptop, desktop)**


I uses all of the hardware to assist in my learn process.

**What software do you use to learn? (Eg. search engines, mobile apps, social networks, eBooks, digital libraries, wikis, blogs, videos, podcasts)**

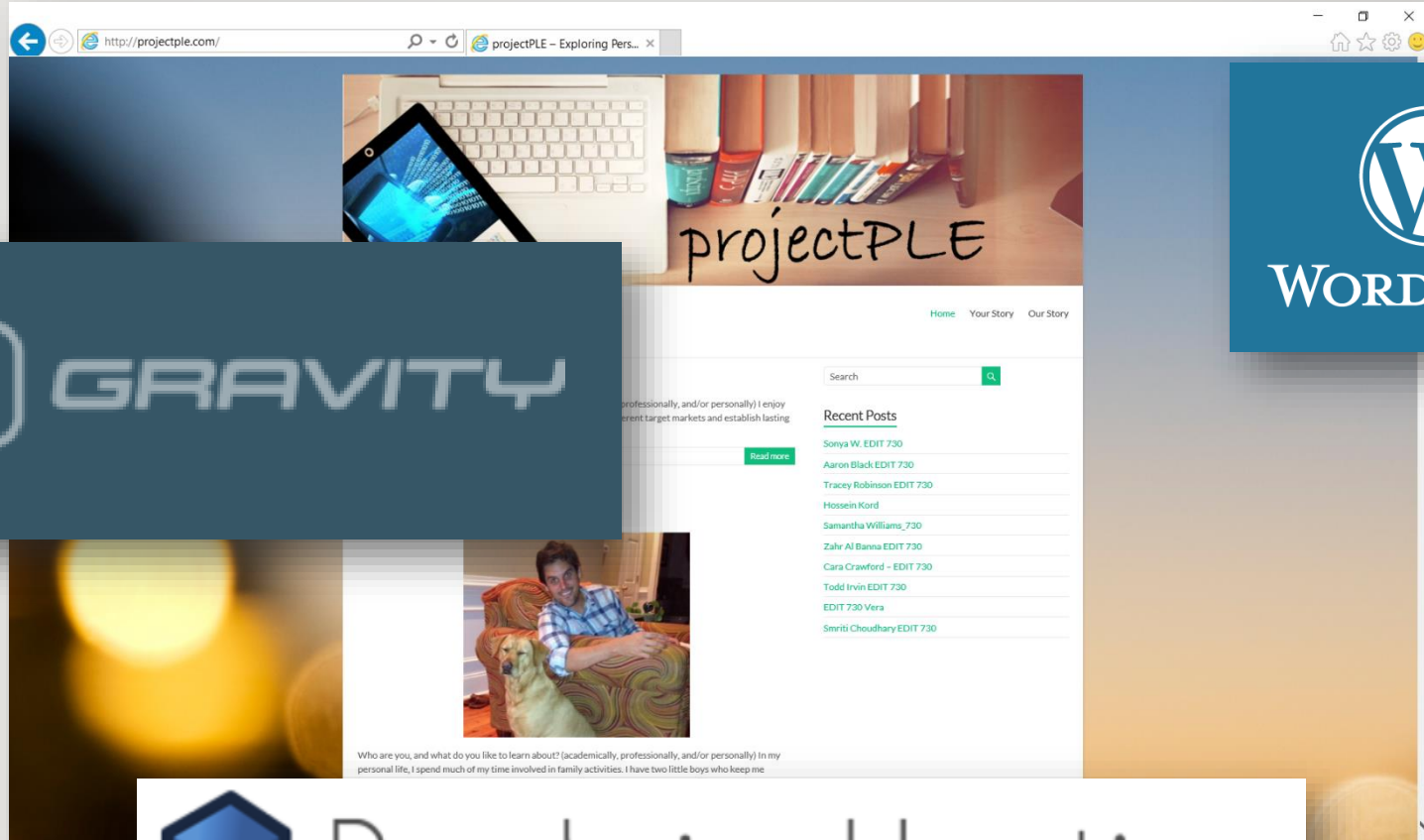
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# Methods





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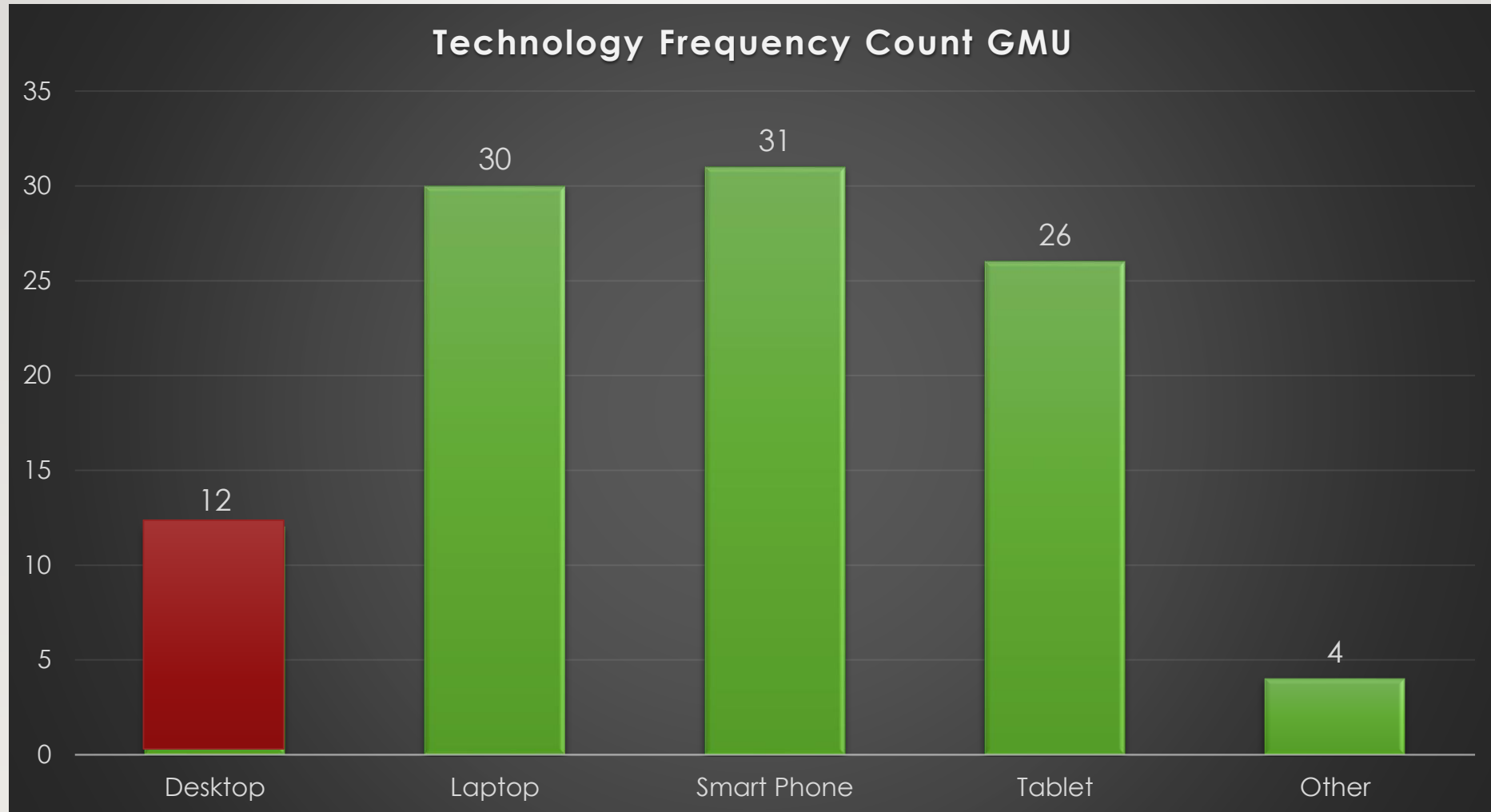
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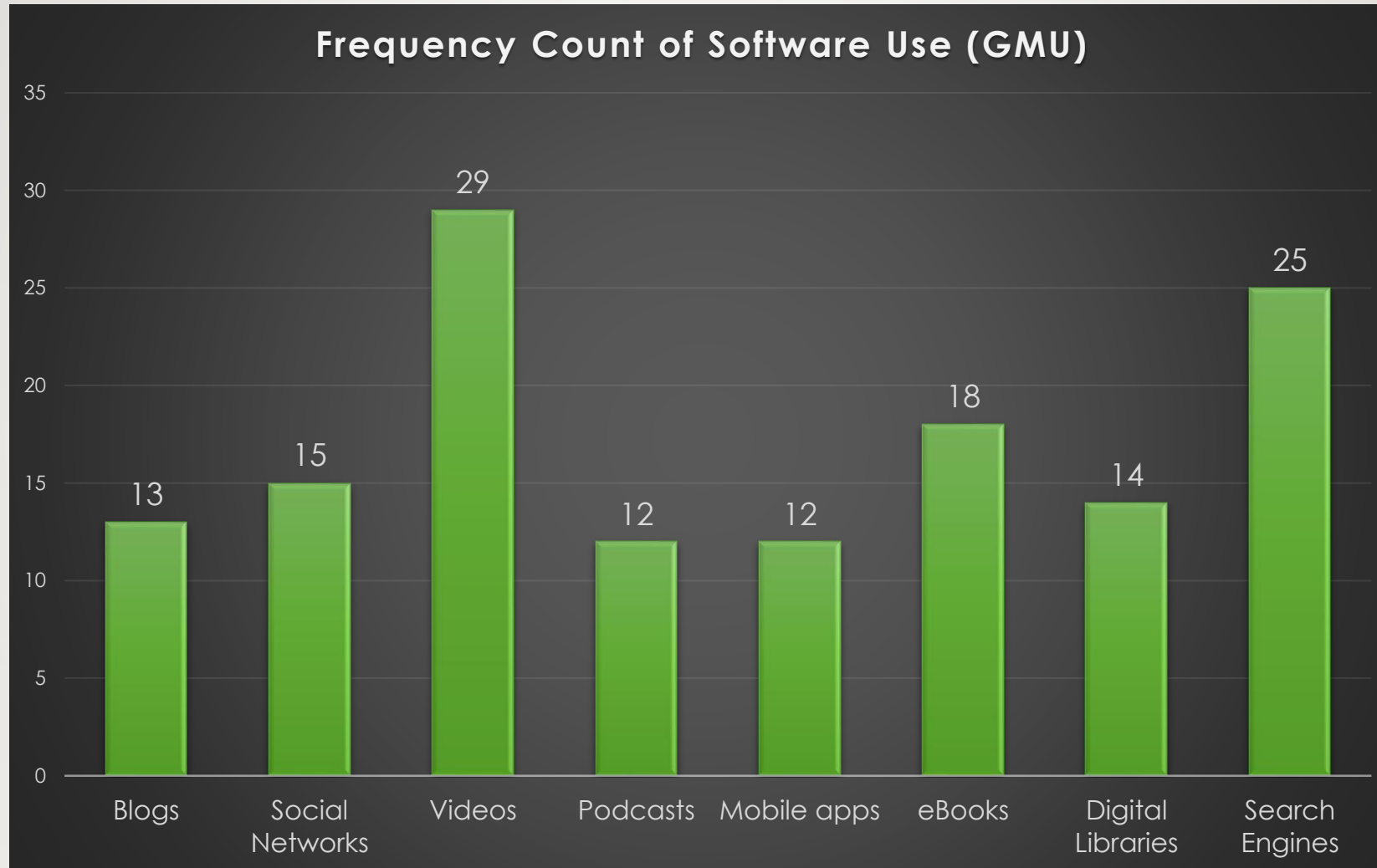
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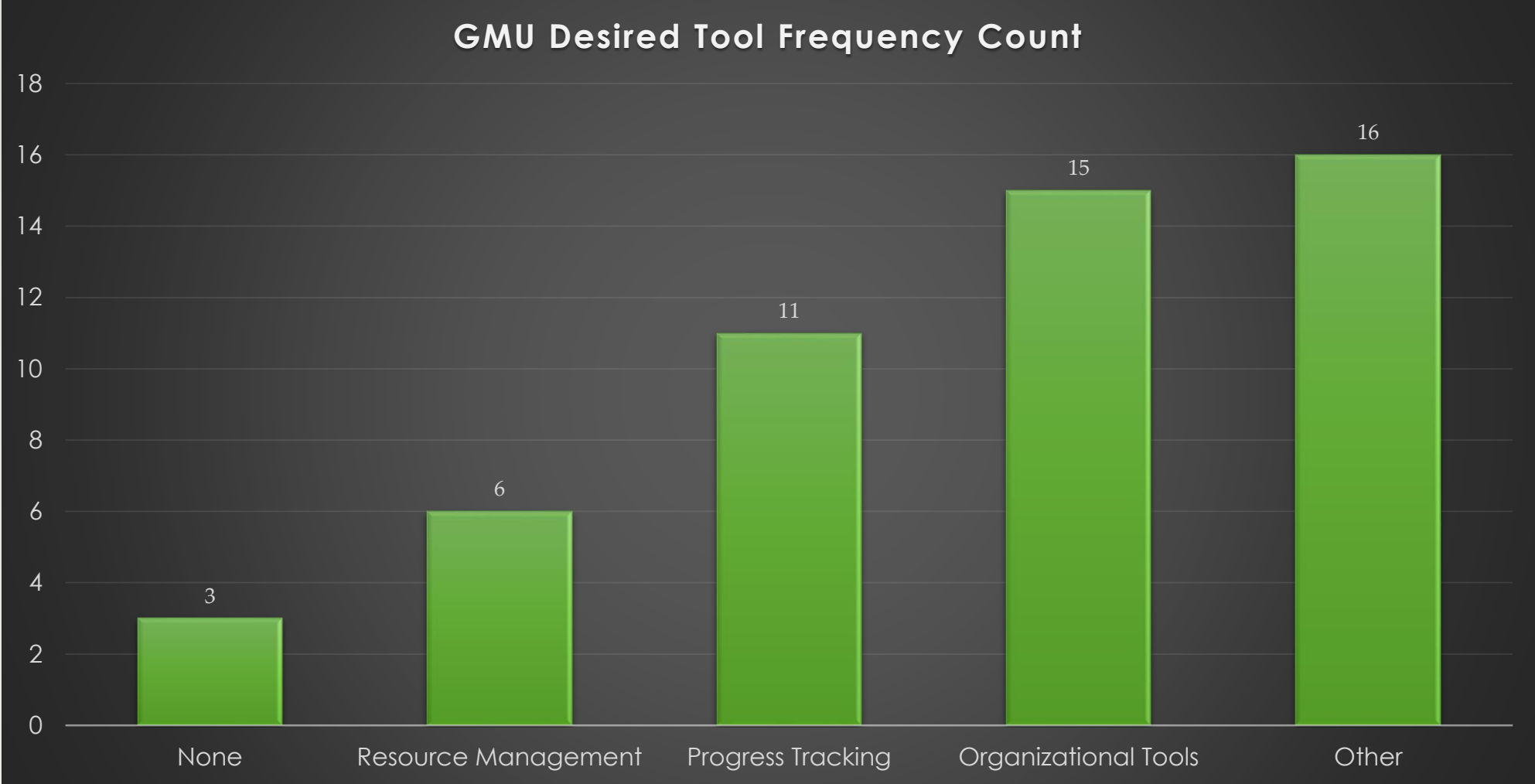
## Q2: What hardware do you use to learn?



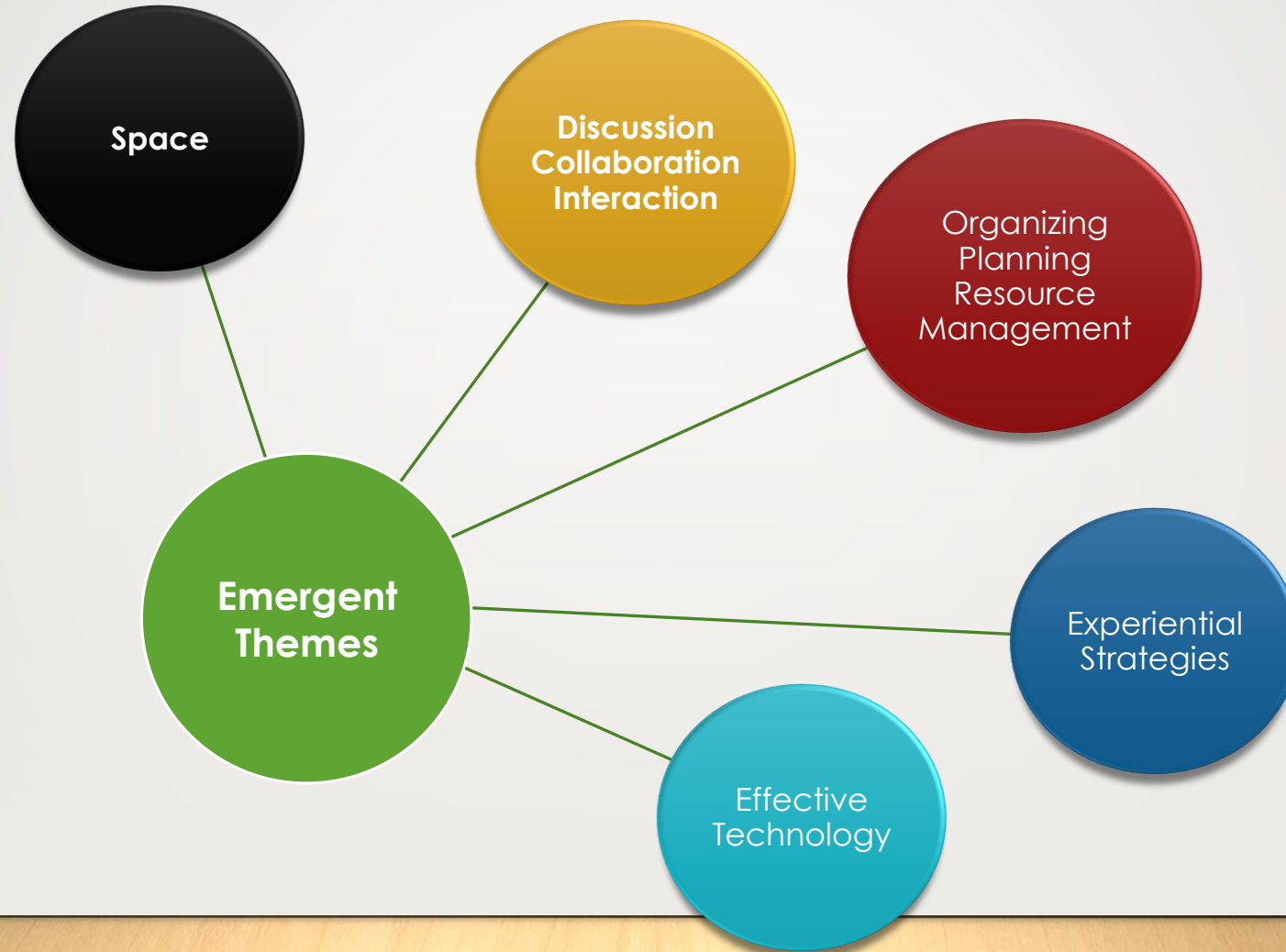
# Q3: What software do you use to learn?



# Q4: What digital tools do you wish you had access to for learning?



# Q5: What is your ideal PLE?



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