links & resources for this session

Google Slides: advanced tips

for music teachers

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digital learning coach for music teachers

podcaster, blogger, speaker

housekeeping

- tech issues – usually your internet (!)
- copy of slides – provided
- moderator of chat: **Amy Burns**
- longer Q&A at end

but first...

announcements!

December webinar

- end-of-year celebration!
- ask me anything
- my top music tech “hidden gems”
- guests and giveaways
- USA: 15 Dec | AUS: 16 Dec

coming Jan 2021

video creation for music teachers

online course

midnightmusic.com.au/video-creation-waitlist

coming Feb 2021

Seesaw

for music teachers

online course

presented by Amy Burns

introducing...

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about this session

what we'll cover

advanced tips!

- this is not for total beginners
- check out the first Google Slides webinar (May 2020)

today's session

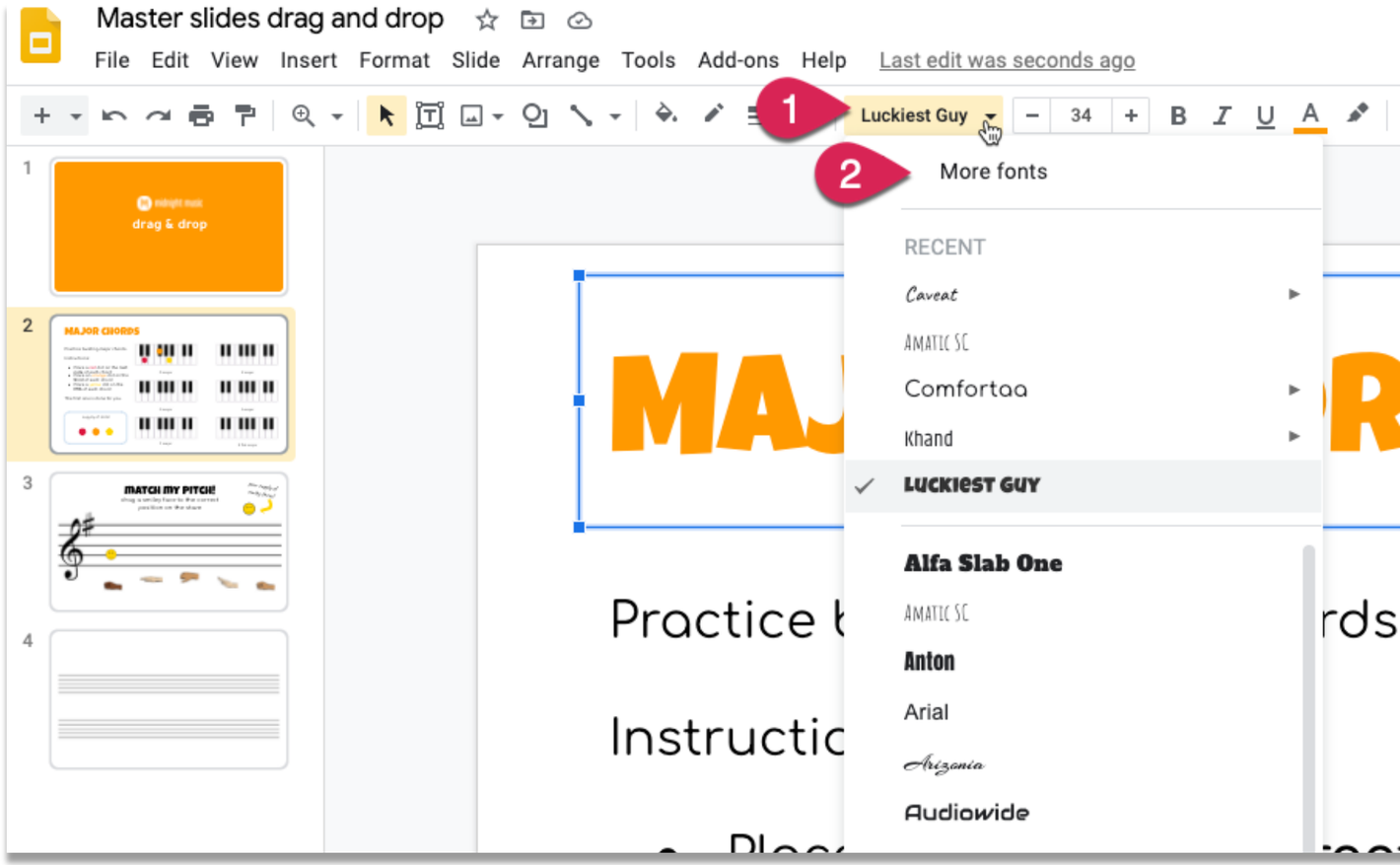
- awesome things with text
- make your own GIFs
- how to use master slides
- templates & examples
- sharing tips

awesome things with text

fonts, sticker text & neon signs

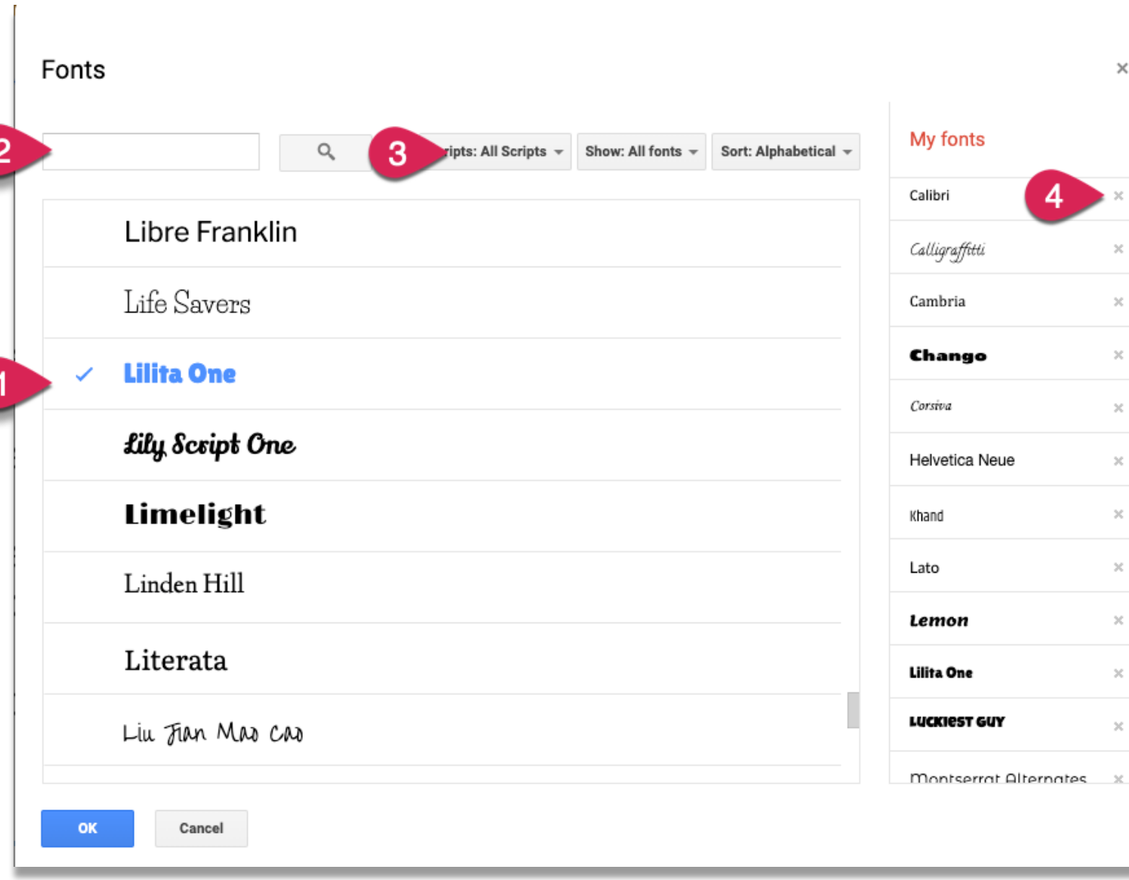
add more fonts part 1

1. Click on font drop-down
2. choose More fonts



add more fonts part 2

1. select fonts you want to add
2. search for a specific font
3. use filter drop-down menus to browse
4. click **x** to remove a font from your menu

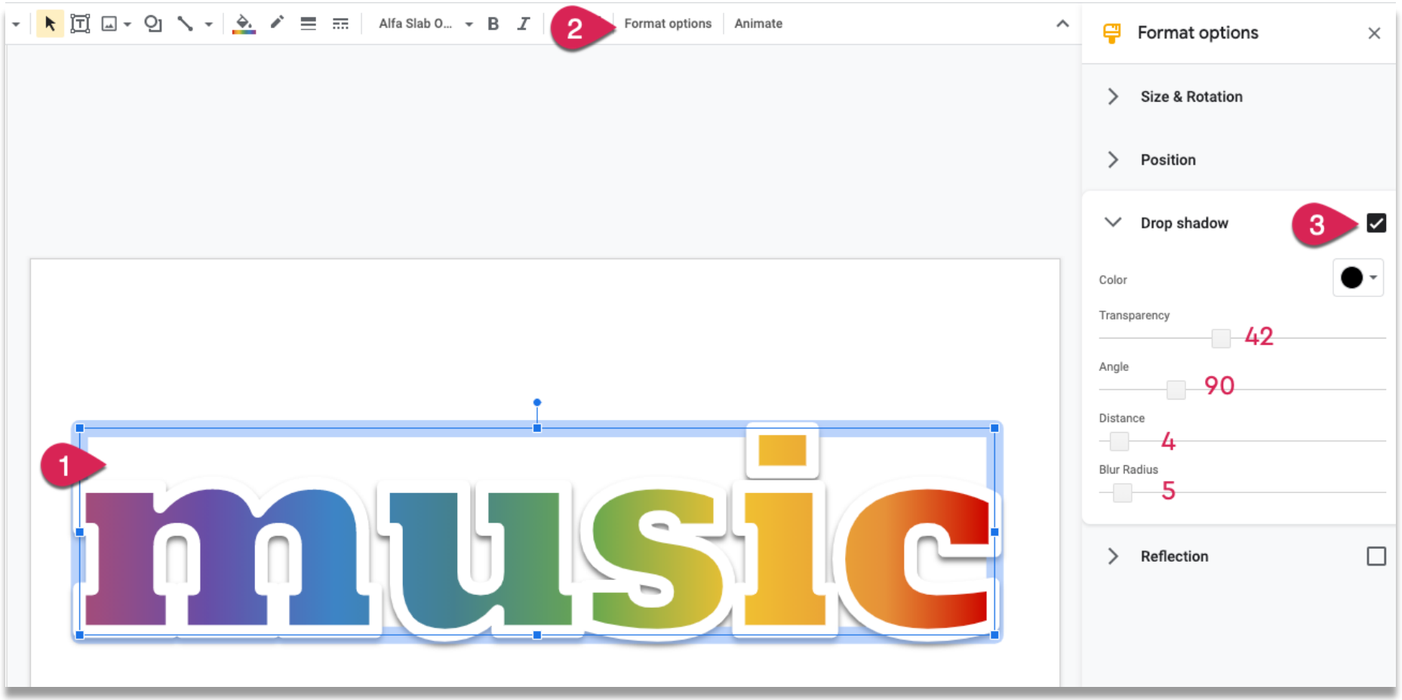


sticker text how-to part 1

1. Insert menu > Word Art
2. type your word/s
3. change font (wide/thick letters)
4. change fill colour (solid or gradient)
5. border: white, thickness 4, 8 or 12px

sticker text how-to part 2

1. select Word Art
2. click on Format options
3. Drop Shadow: check box & adjust settings (see right)



neon text how-to part 1

1. Insert menu > Word Art > type word/s
2. change font (Comfortaa or others)
3. border: bright colour, thickness 4 or 8px
4. fill colour: light version of border

neon text how-to part 2

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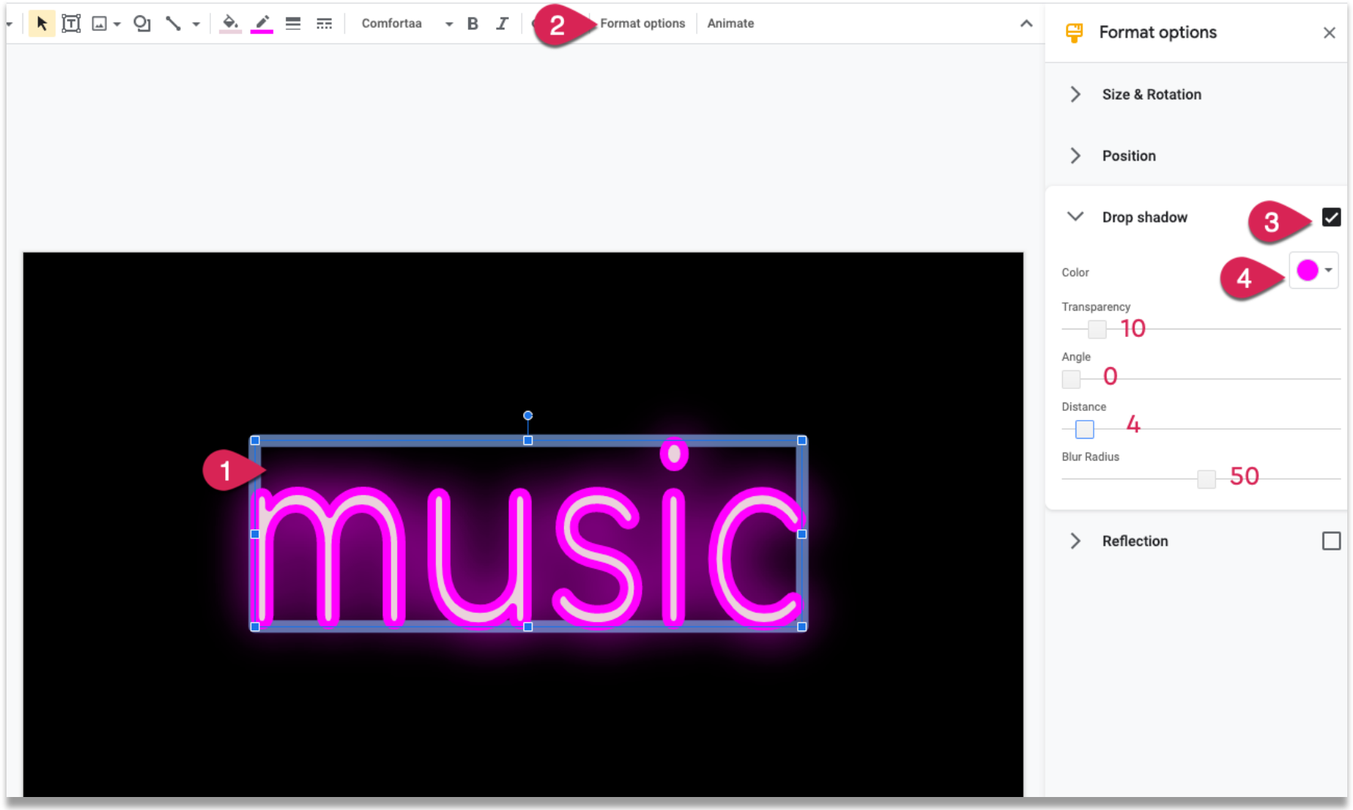
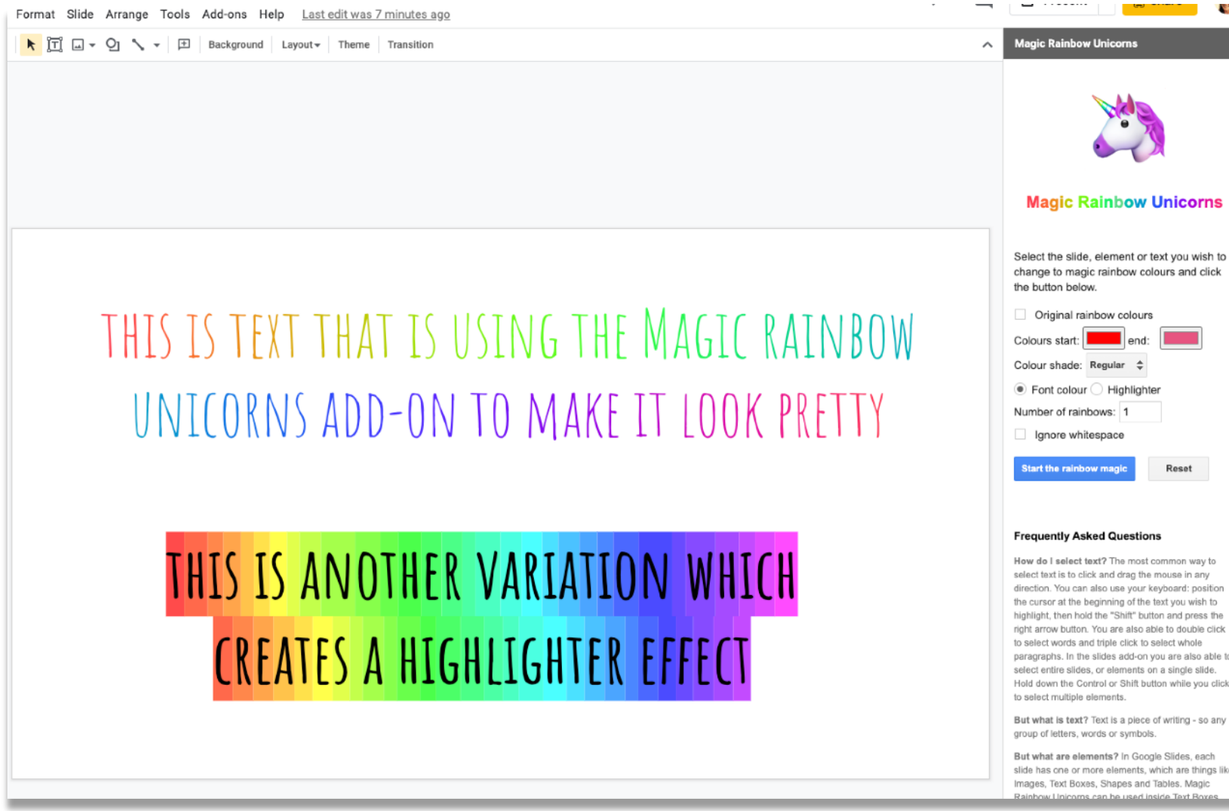
2. click on Format options
3. Drop Shadow: check box & adjust settings (see right)
4. Drop Shadow colour = border colour



magic rainbow unicorns add-on

1. Add-ons > Magic Rainbow Unicorns
2. Choose settings
3. Click **Start The Rainbow Magic**

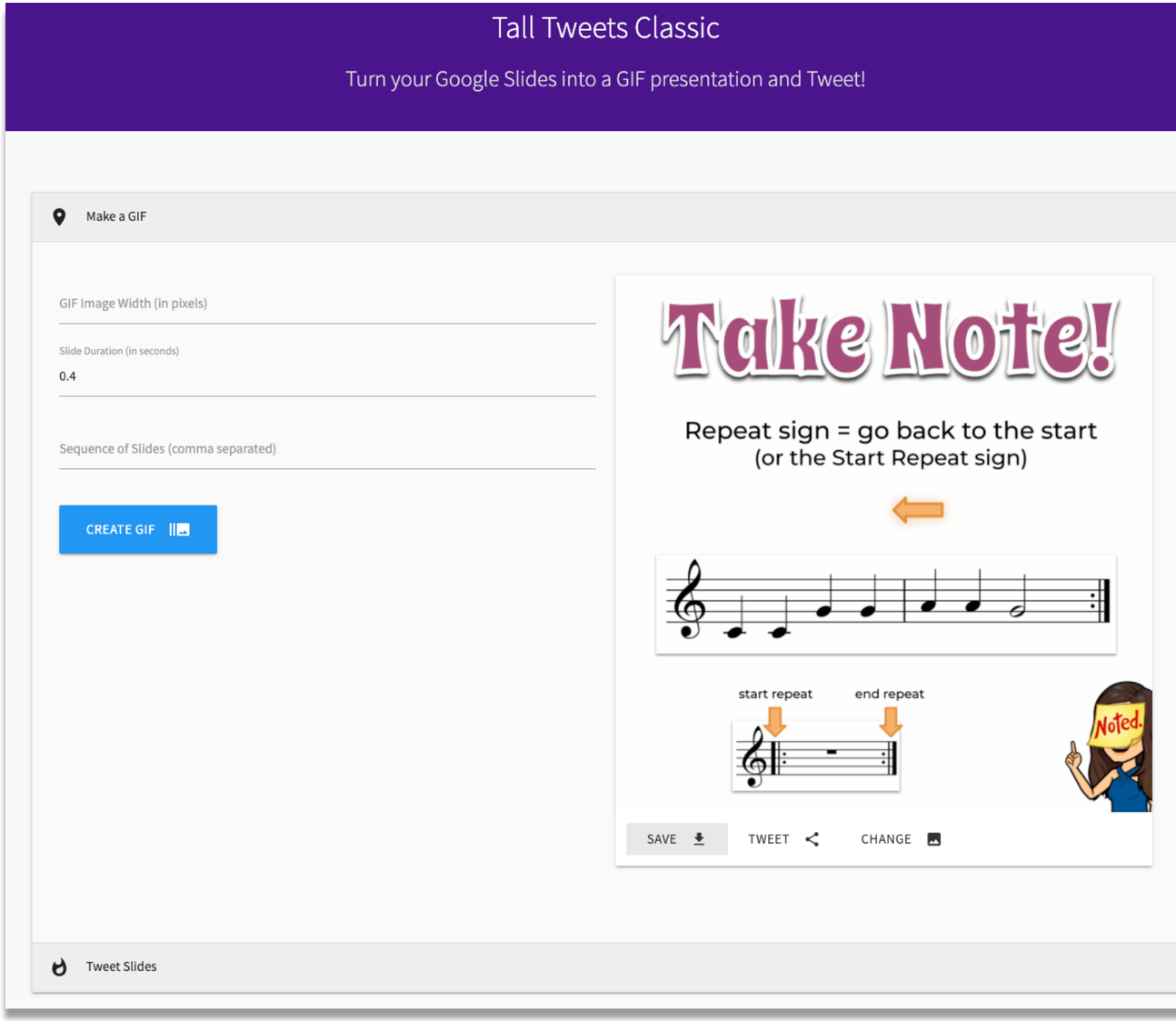


make your own gifs

for tips, announcements, fun

make your own gifs

- it's like stop-motion animation!
- create a series of slides
- use Tall Tweets to "stitch" them together in gif format
- use for announcements, tutorials, reminders, fun...!



where to use your gifs

- add to your presentations
- Google Classroom header image
- in your virtual Bitmoji classroom
- anywhere you can add a gif!

how to make gifs

- create slides (each slide is one “frame”)
- visit Tall Tweets & load your presentation
- choose a duration for each slide
- click Create GIF and then download

master slides

how they work & why use them

all about master slides

- set style and layouts for presentation
- master slides control fonts & colours
- items on master can't be moved in Edit view

what you need to know

- the first master sets the text for the entire presentation
- the rest are master layouts
- master layouts can look strange when you're editing them!

templates & examples

ready-made slides

find beautiful templates

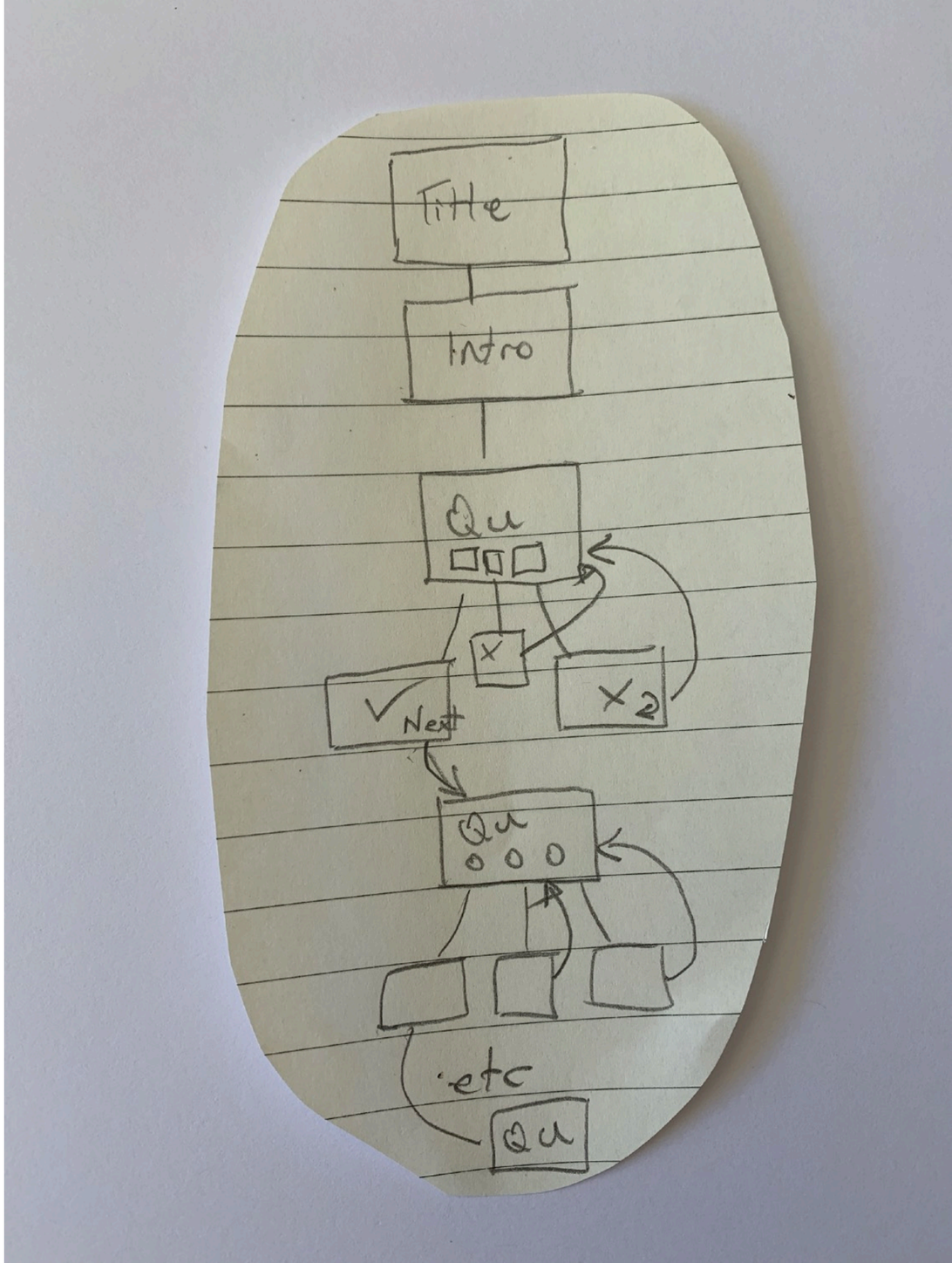
- SlidesMania
- SlidesGo
- Slides Carnival

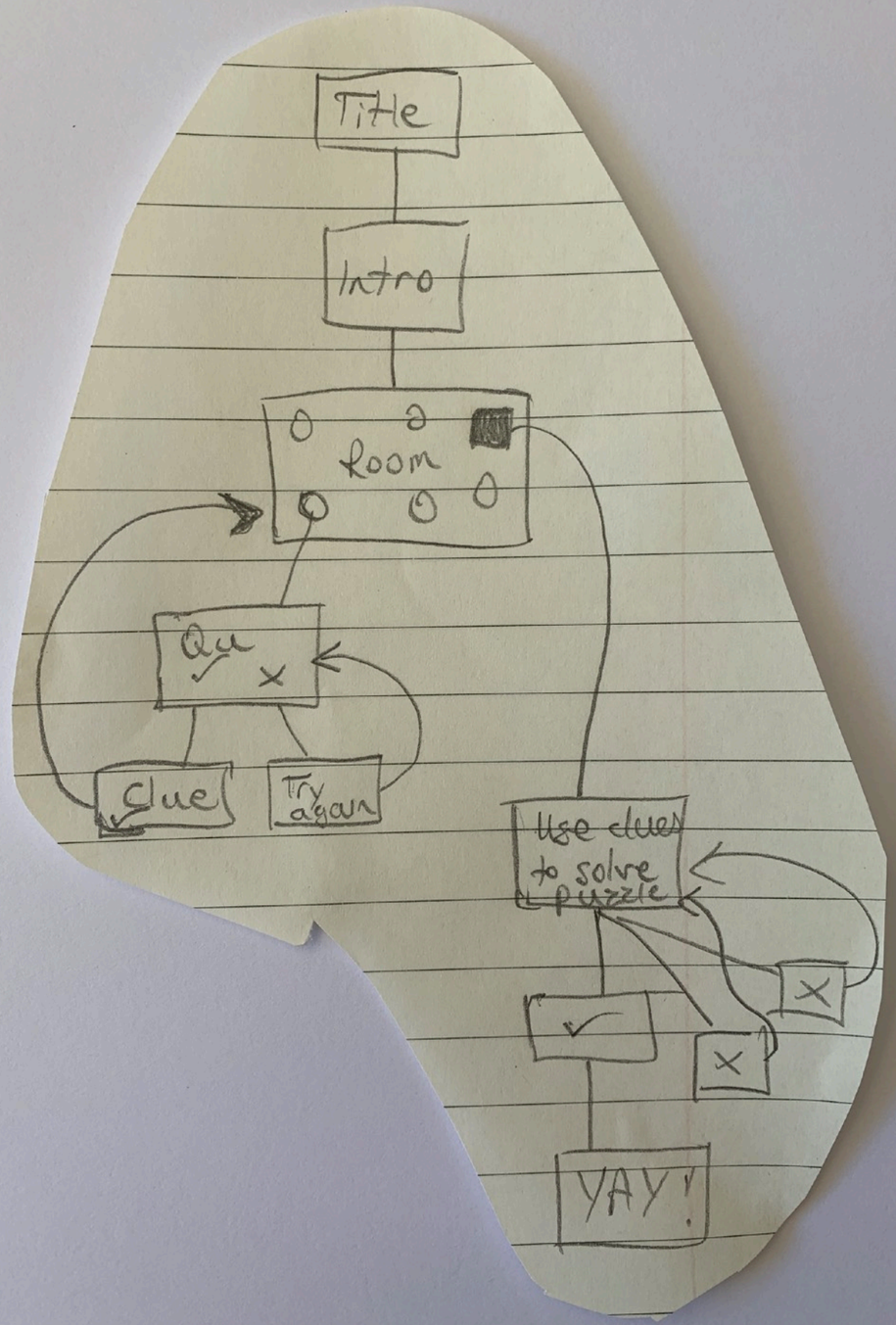
teacher-made files

- Facebook groups!
- Twitter
- Teachers Pay Teachers
- Visual Musical Minds (Nathan Walby) "The Everything File"

setup of “game” slides V1

- quiz-style
- links on slides lead to right or wrong answer slide
- don't forget the link to get back or go forward!



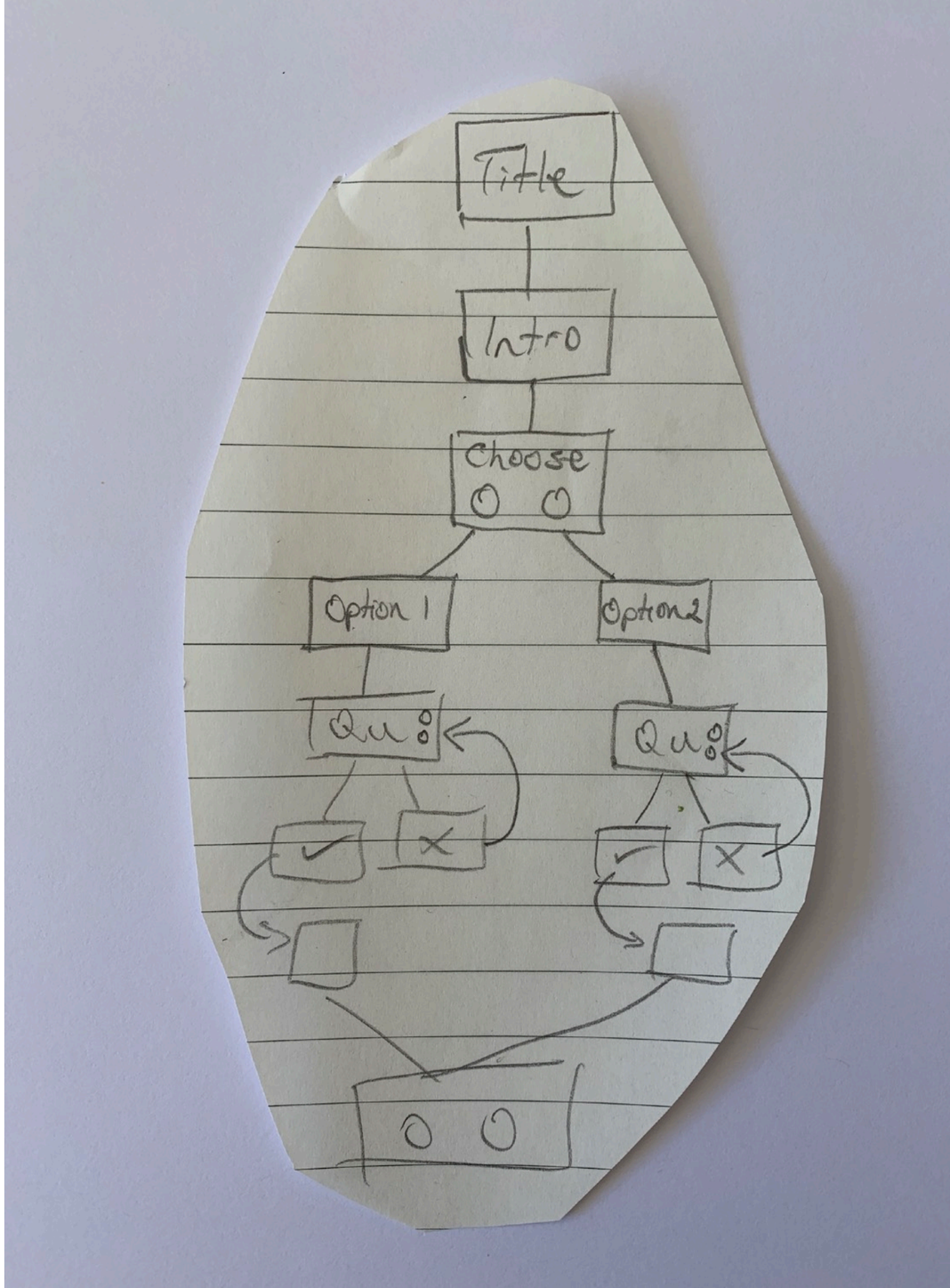


setup of “game” slides V2

- escape room style
- links to clues or questions
- students go back to room for next clue
- don't forget the link to get back or go forward!

setup of “game” slides V3

- choose your own adventure style
- links lead to different pathways
- don't forget the link to get back or go forward!



sharing tips

which format?

tips...

- prevent auto-advancing
- remove navigation bar
- control student movement through slides (mostly!)

prevent auto-advancing

- option 1: transparent shape over slide that links back to same slide
- option 2: use skipped slides & insert duplicates of “home” screen between other slides

preview mode drawbacks

- students can get back to Edit mode
- via the navigation bar (settings)
- or by changing the URL to /edit

remove navigation bar: publish to the web

- go to File > Publish to the web & click Publish
- copy the URL in the box
- paste it (somewhere!) then delete everything after the **?**
- add rm=minimal after the **?** to remove nav bar

the end of your URL should look like this:

/pub?rm=minimal

most secure option

- use skipped slides or transparent shape
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- add ?rm=minimal at end

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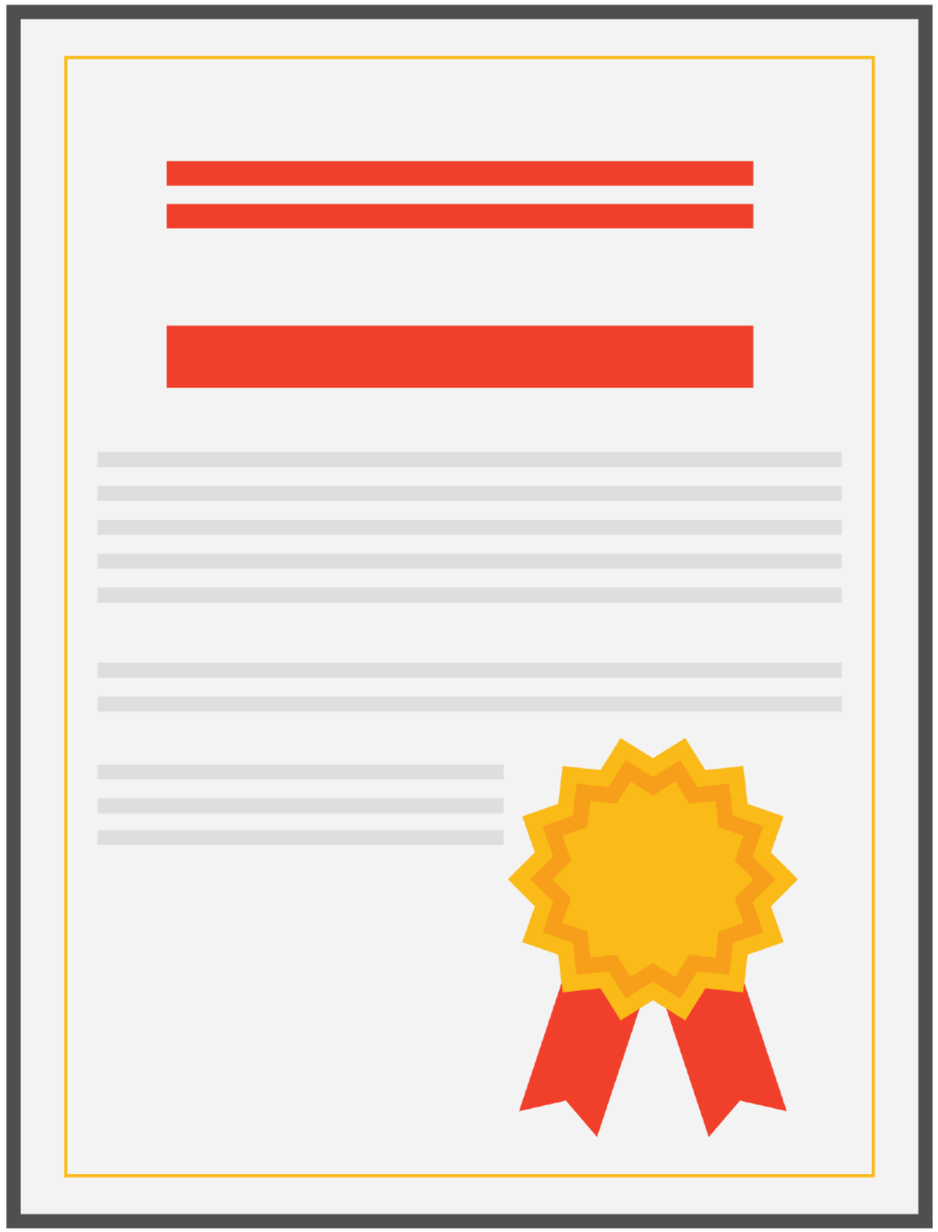
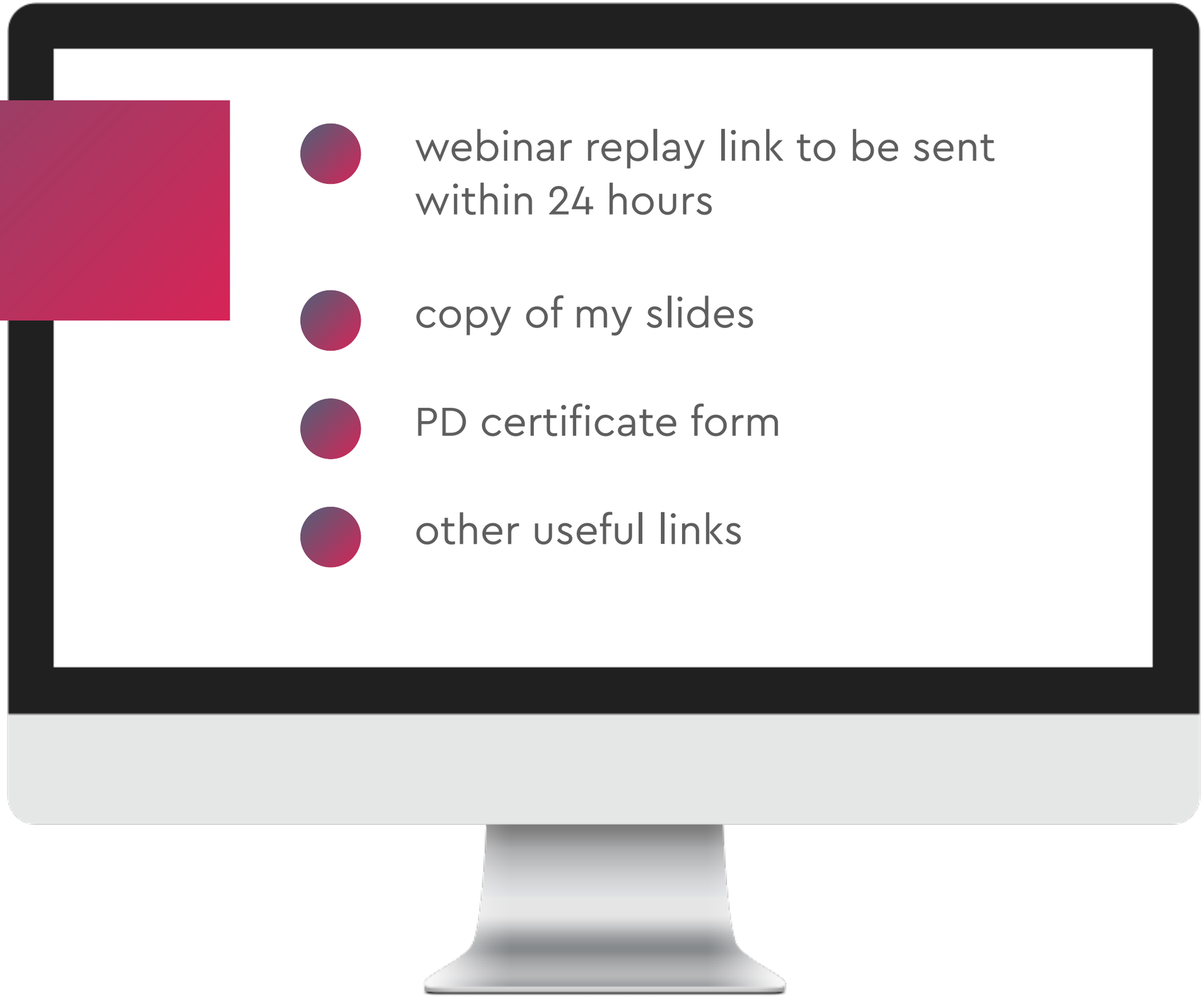


pd certificate

- midnightmusic.com.au/pdslides

thank you!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USA: 15 December 8pm EST

AUS: 16 December 12pm AEDT

question & answer time

what would you like to know?

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