

Open Educational Resources (OER)

Open Educational Resources Play an Increasingly Vital Role in K-12 Education



As districts, schools and teachers move more toward digital curriculum, OER becomes an attractive alternative to paid content.



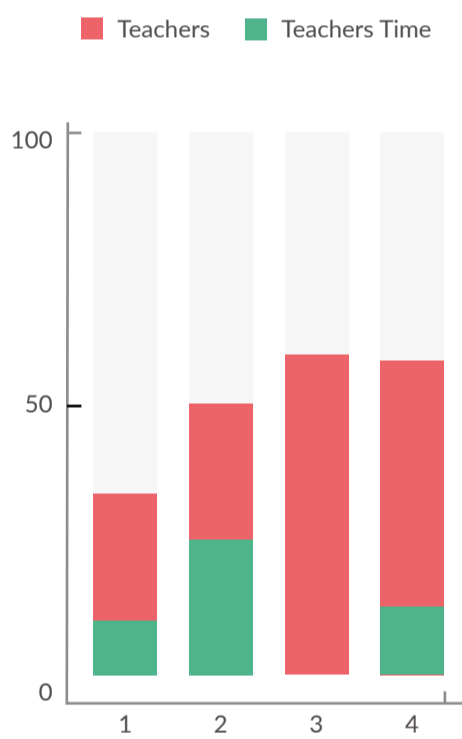
OER marketplaces (e.g., Gooru, Edmodo, CK-12) that focus on OER content continue to expand.



Organizations that provide full OER-based curricula are beginning to hit their stride (e.g., EngageNY, Open Up).

<https://thejournal.com/articles/2017/04/03/4-trends.aspx>

OER isn't always easy to select, manage, or organize...



- 1 One-third of teachers spend up to 10% of their working week building digital curriculum
- 2 50% of teachers are using digital curriculum and content 25% to 50% of the time
- 3 59% of teachers complain of too many systems to interact with
- 4 58% of teachers spend up to five hours a week just on web searching for resources, approximately 12.5% of work time is consumed in web searching

When implementing and utilizing OER in the K-12 classroom through the itslearning LMS, districts can:



Increase teacher efficiency and effectiveness



Save districts money



Improve safety and security



Empower students and teachers

By streamlining curriculum and adding more than 1.7 million vetted OER searchable by topics and standards, itslearning is helping districts improve learning without the need for additional resources, money, or manpower.