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| ­­­ | Canvas Discussions (Ungraded) | Canvas Discussions (Graded) | YellowDig Engage (Ungraded) | YellowDig Emgage (Graded) | Active Class *(formally Notebowl)* | Ed Discussion | Feedback Fruits Discussions | Kialo | Poll Everywhere |
| Organizational style (thread- new posts @bottom) (feed- new posts @ top) | **Thread-based** | **Thread-based** | **Feed-based** | **Feed-based** | **Feed-based** | **Folders &**  **Feed-based** | **Annotations** | **Pro/ Con Decision Tree** | **N/A** |
| Board format | **Multi** | **Multi** | **Single** | **Single** | **Multi** | **Multi** | **Multi** | **Multi** | **N/A** |
| Due dates | **No** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** | **Yes** | **No** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** |
| Grade pass back | **N/A** | **Yes** | **N/A** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** |
| Who can prompt/ drive discussion | **Instructor and students** | **Instructor only** | **Student** | **Instructor only** | **Instructor only** | **Instructor and students** | **Instructor only** | **Instructor only** | **Instructor only** |
| Respond privately | **No** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** | **Yes** | **N/A** |
| Optional anonymity | **No** | **No** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** | **Yes** | **Yes** |
| Supports latex | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| Media file embed | **No** | **No** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **No** | **N/A** | **N/A** |
| Example use case recommendations | **Community building, check your understanding,**  **Q & A** | **Community building, work shopping, weekly reflections** | **Community building with social media features** | **Community building, social media features, word count minimums, topic and tagging, gamification** | **Ensure "x" number of students posts and replies, instructor comments per post and reply** | **Q & a with instructor answer or endorsed student answer, good for posting code and math** | **Case studies, workshopping, and virtual poster board session** | **Debates, critical thinking, collaborative decision-making** | **Live or remote in real time or asynchronous polling, analytics** |

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