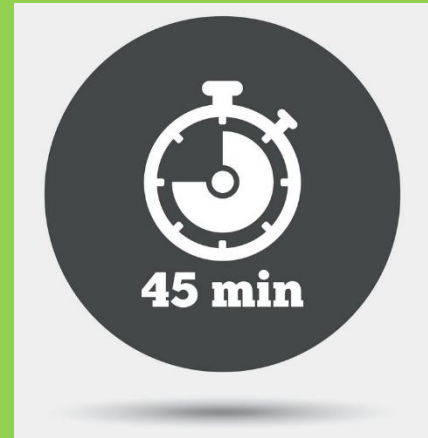


# 45 FREE Software Tools in 45 Minutes

Presented by: Robert McWilliams



# Overview

- Why is it free?
- What are the dangers of these free resources?
- Free Resources
  - Office Productivity
  - Grammar Tools
  - Plagiarism Checkers
  - Survey
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  - File Conversation
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  - Utility Programs
  - Communication Tools
  - File Transfer
  - Scholarships





# Background

- Over 20 years' experience working in post-secondary
- Worked at seven institutions – both community college and university
- Over 12 years' experience in tech-related positions.
- Experience teaching 12 collegiate courses over five disciplines.
  - MTH
  - OAD
  - ORI
  - CIS
  - PSY




# Why is it free?

- These applications are free because they fall under the following:
  - Open-Source
  - Designed by an Educational Institution/Non-Profit entity



# What are the Dangers?

- Many “free” programs often contain malicious code – including spyware & viruses. 
  - The items presented are programs I have used and/or known about. They are likely to be safe.
  - As always, be sure your Anti-Virus program is up to date when installing programs or operating online.
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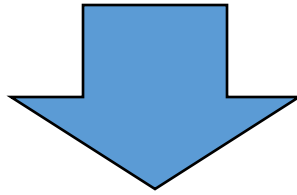


# My Goal

- That you walk out of this presentation with **at least one** tool that you can put to use.



Did I tell you?





# Office Productivity

# Open Office

- Office Productivity Suite

- Word Processor
- Presentation
- Database
- Spreadsheet
- Draw

- This program is compatible with numerous vendor formats including Microsoft, Corel, dBase, Quattro Pro, Adobe, etc.

- Works on PC, MAC, Linux, & Solaris

- <http://www.openoffice.org>



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# WordWeb

## Dictionary Program

- Can be used as a stand alone program or inside of any other program to get definitions, synonyms, antonyms, and pronunciation of words.
- Available for PC, Android & iOS
- <http://www.wordwebsoftware.com/>

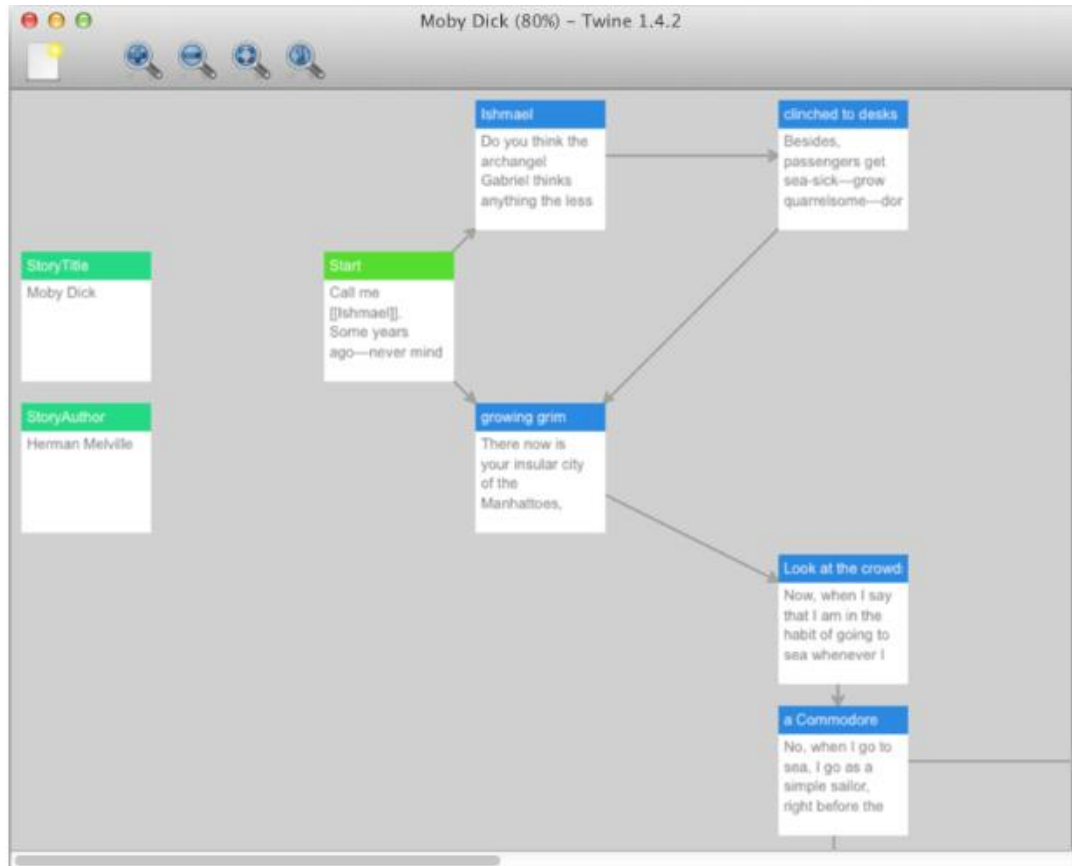
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Poll Everywhere

- Audience response system that uses mobile phones, twitter, and the web. Responses are displayed in real-time.
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Add an Option

Save new poll or cancel creating poll

**What is your favorite color?**  
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What's your favorite color?

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7 responses from one person

Green

Red

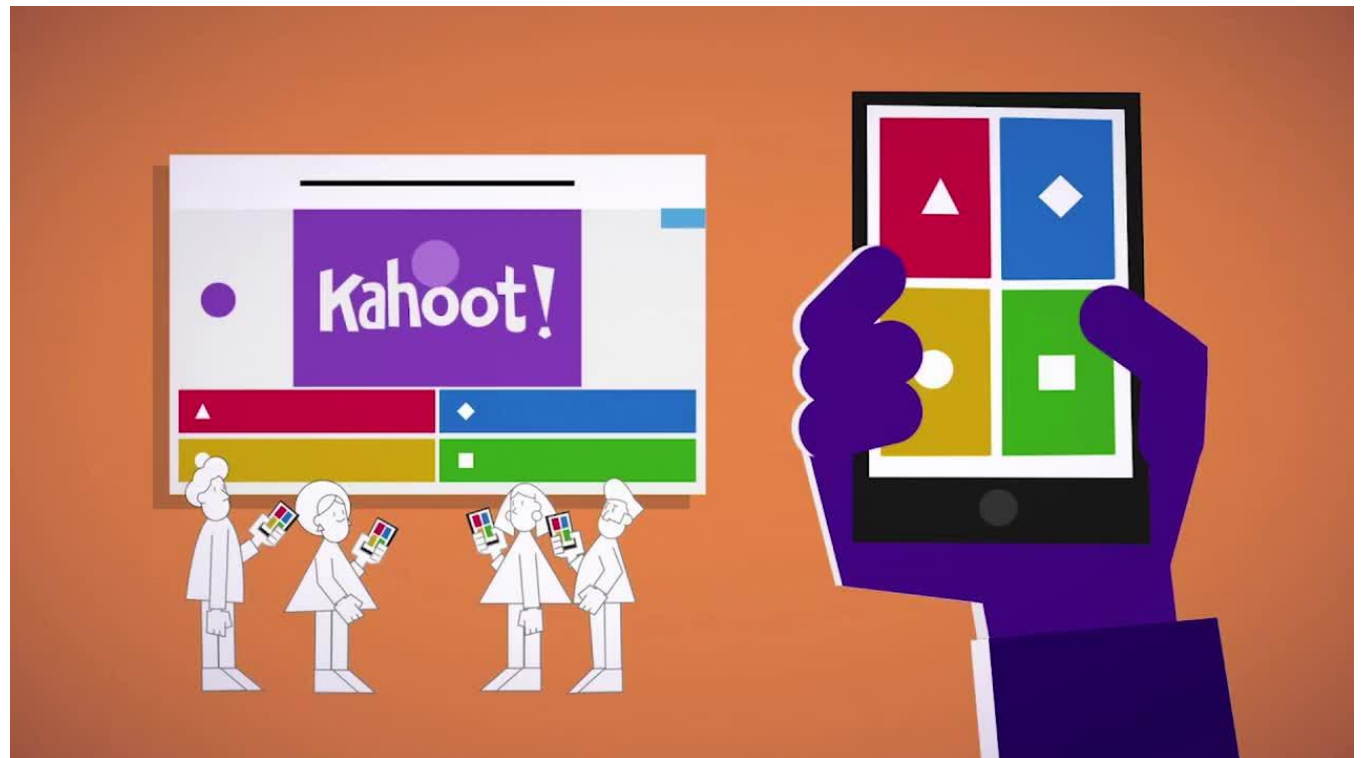
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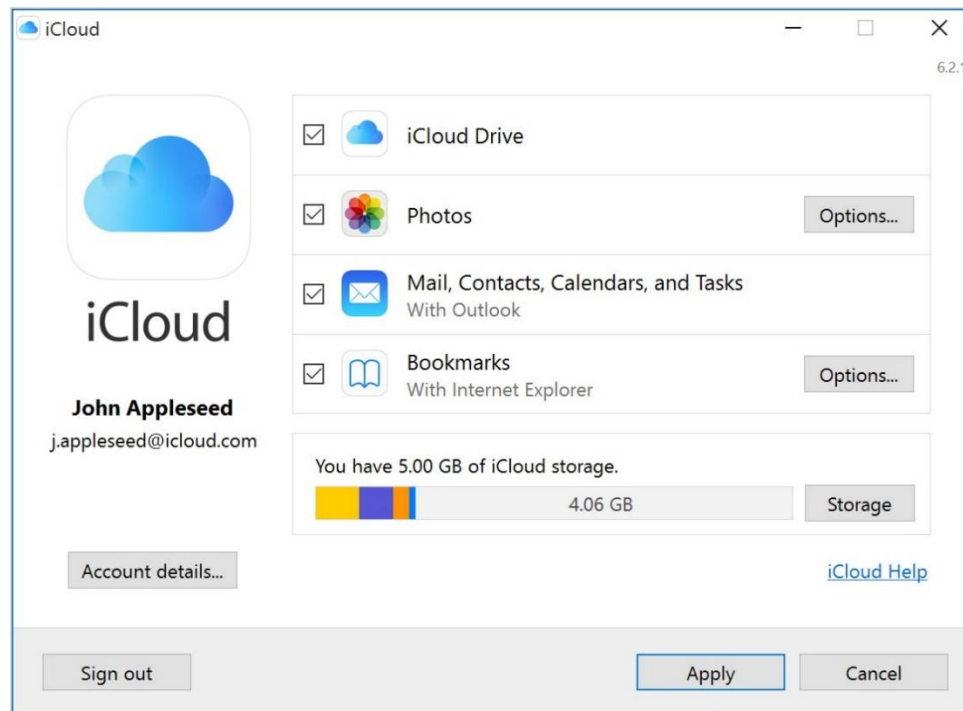
# DropBox

- 2 GB of space
- Sync files across devices
- Shared folders and links
- Dropbox Paper
- <https://www.dropbox.com>



# iCloud

- 5GB: free
- Accessible across multiple platforms:
  - iPhone, iPad, iPod touch, Mac, or Windows PC at any time
- <https://www.icloud.com/>



# One Drive

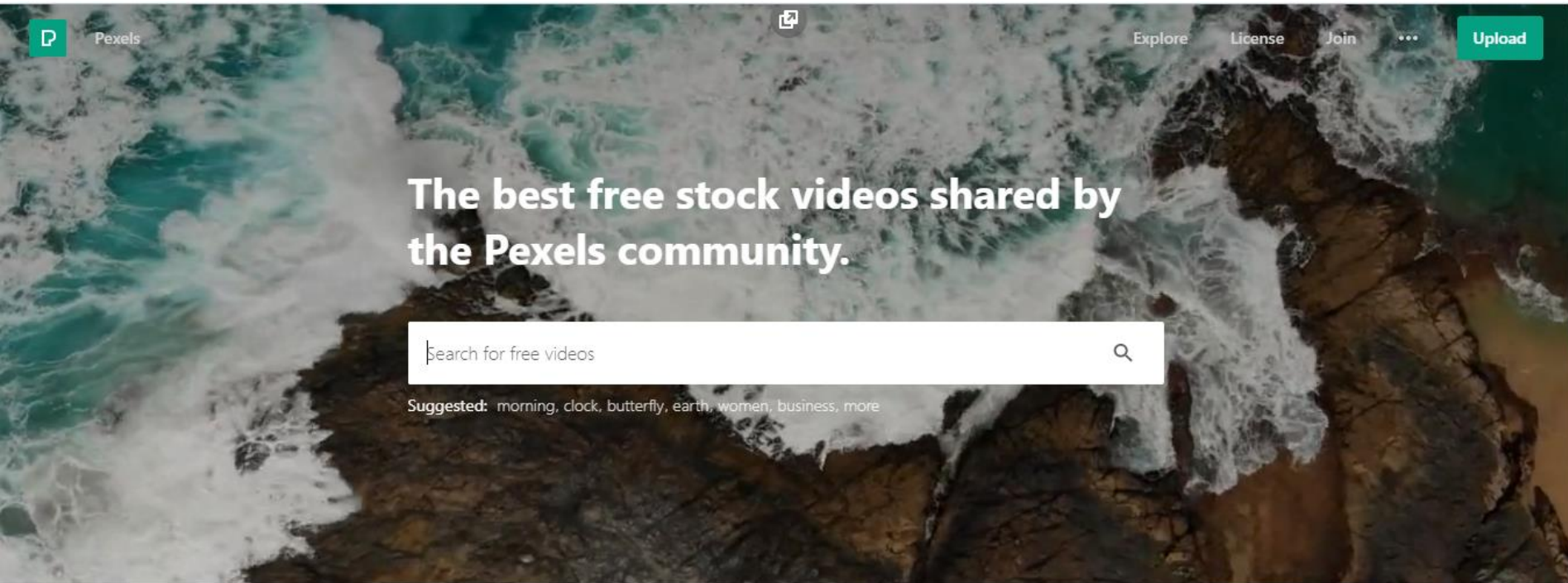
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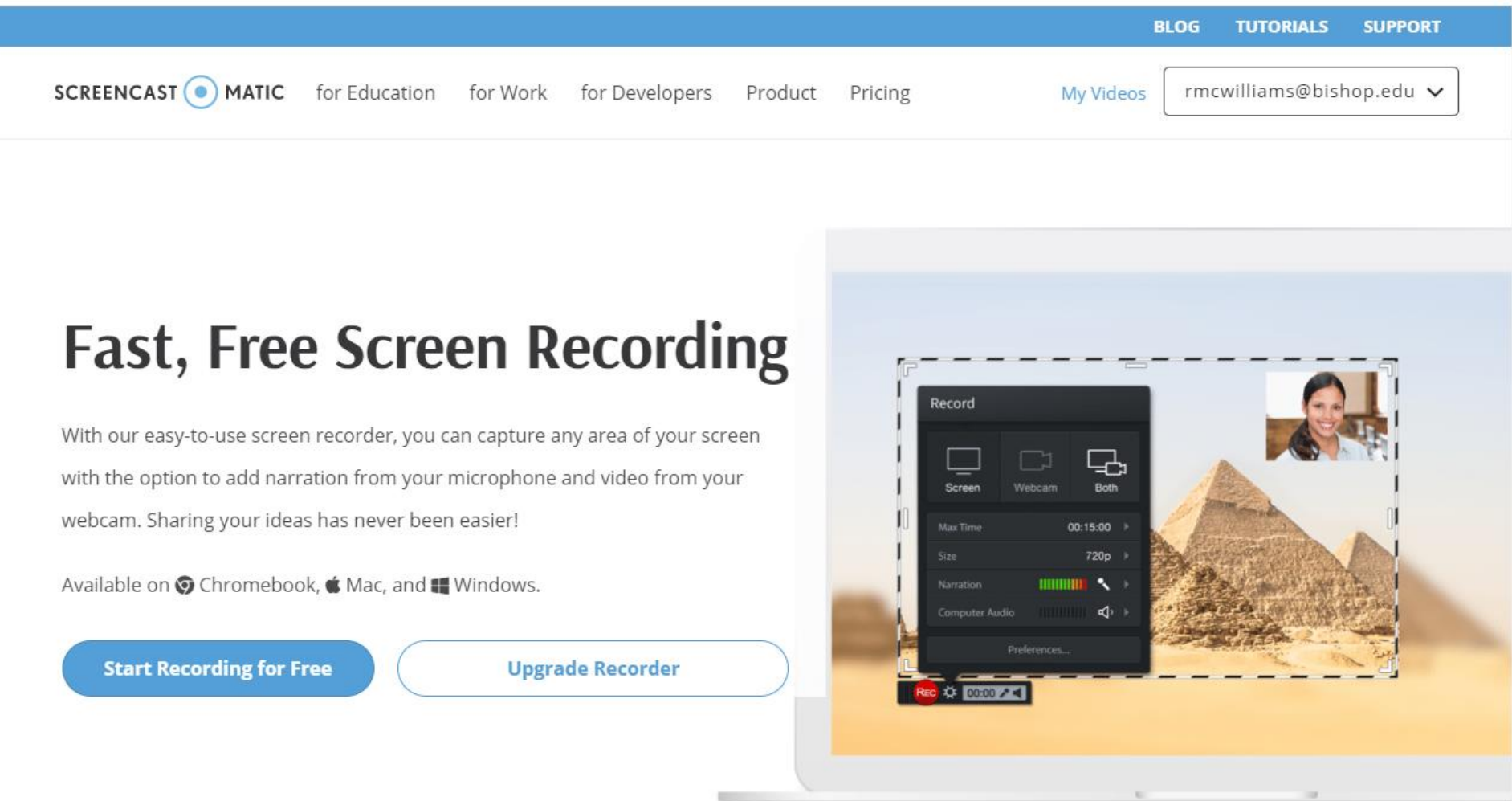
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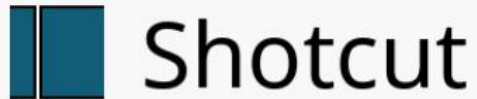
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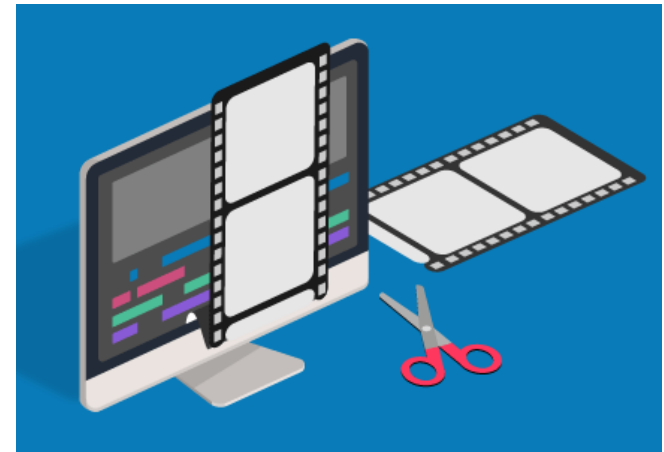
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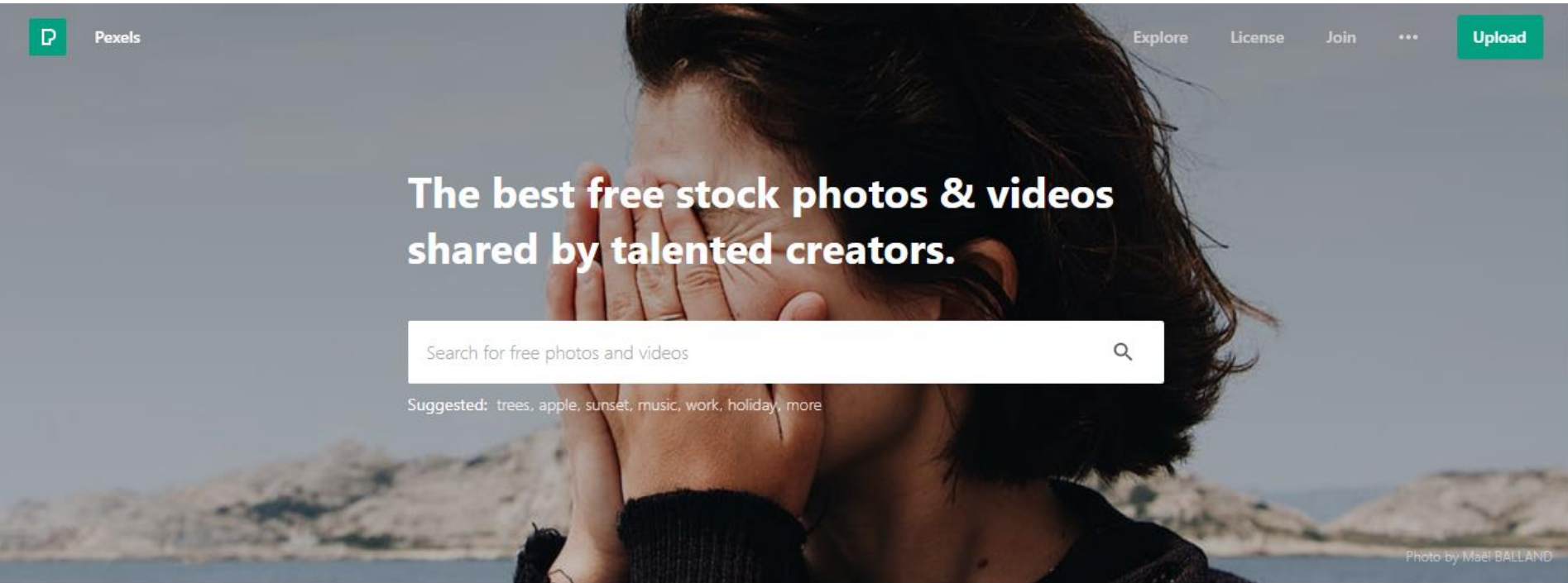


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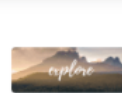
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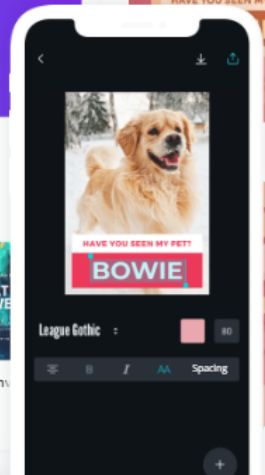
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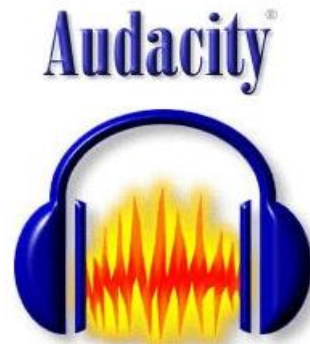


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# Bear Audio

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The screenshot displays the Bear Audio website interface. At the top, the 'bearaudio' logo is on the left, and navigation links for 'Voice Recorder', 'M4A to MP3', 'Audio Converter', 'Video Converter', and 'More Tools' are in the center. On the right, there are links for 'Login' and 'Language'. Below the navigation bar, a row of category buttons includes 'AdChoices', 'audio editing', 'audio mixing', 'audio recording software', 'convert files', and 'mp3 audio cutter'. The main content area features the title 'Online MP3 Cutter & Ringtone Maker' with a music note icon and a small video thumbnail. Below the title is a toolbar with buttons for 'Open from URL...', 'Record...', 'Sound Library...', '? Help...', and 'JS Audio Converter'. A secondary toolbar contains 'Open', '+ Add to', 'Undo', 'Redo', 'Copy', 'Paste', 'Cut', 'Crop', 'Delete', 'Restore', 'Select all', and navigation arrows. The central part of the interface shows a waveform editor with two channels: 'Left Channel' and 'Right Channel'. A red selection box highlights the first 15 seconds of the audio. Below the waveform, there are volume and playback controls, including a volume slider set to 0 db, buttons for 'High-pitched', 'Mute', 'Fade in', 'Fade out', and playback controls (play, stop, previous, next, and a bracketed key). At the bottom, there are 'Save', 'WAV to MP3', and 'Music Converter' buttons. A 'SPONSORED SEARCHES' section at the very bottom contains six search boxes with the following text: 'music mixer', 'audio recording software', 'audio cutter', 'cut mp3 music', 'mp3 audio converter', and 'mp3 editor'.

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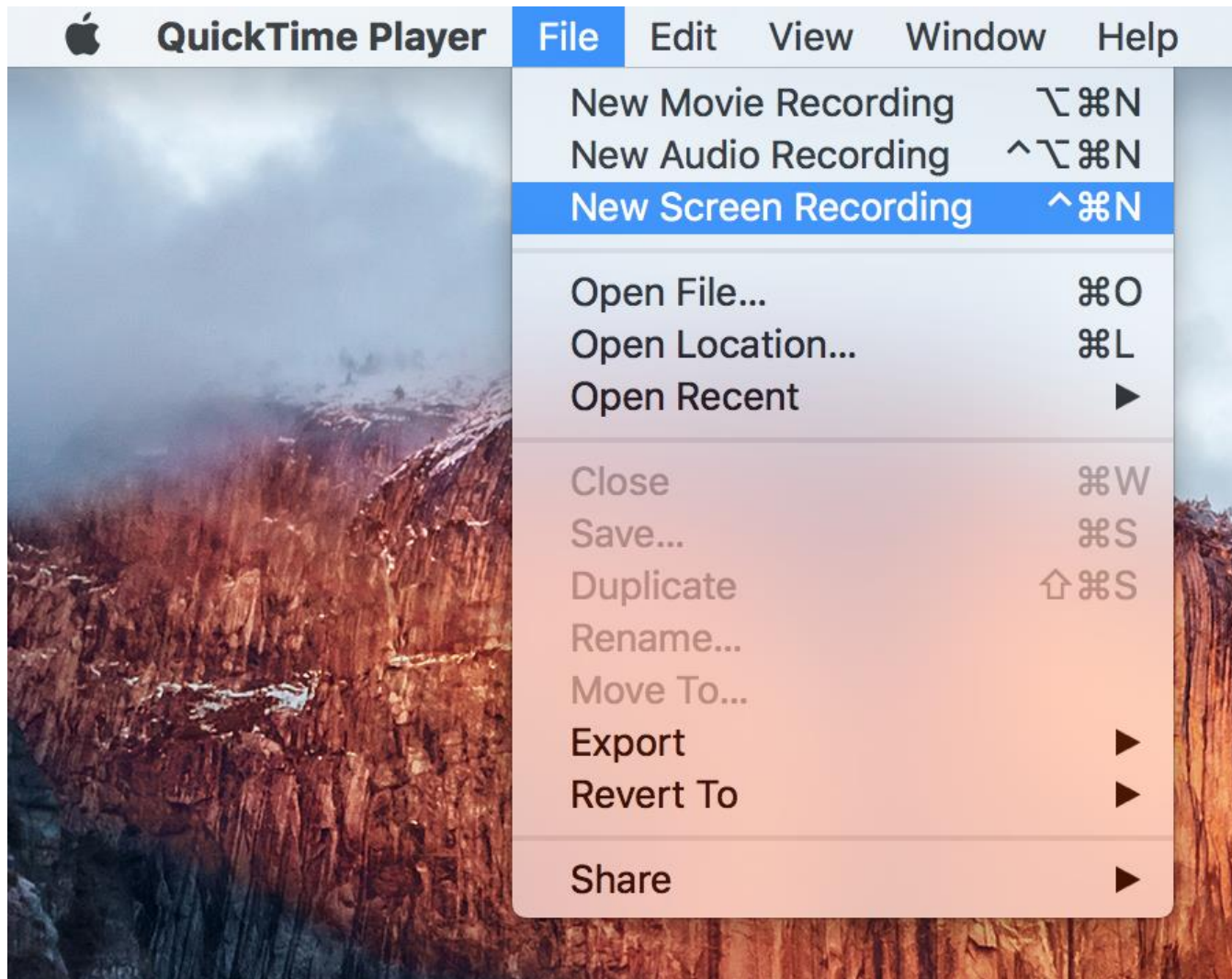
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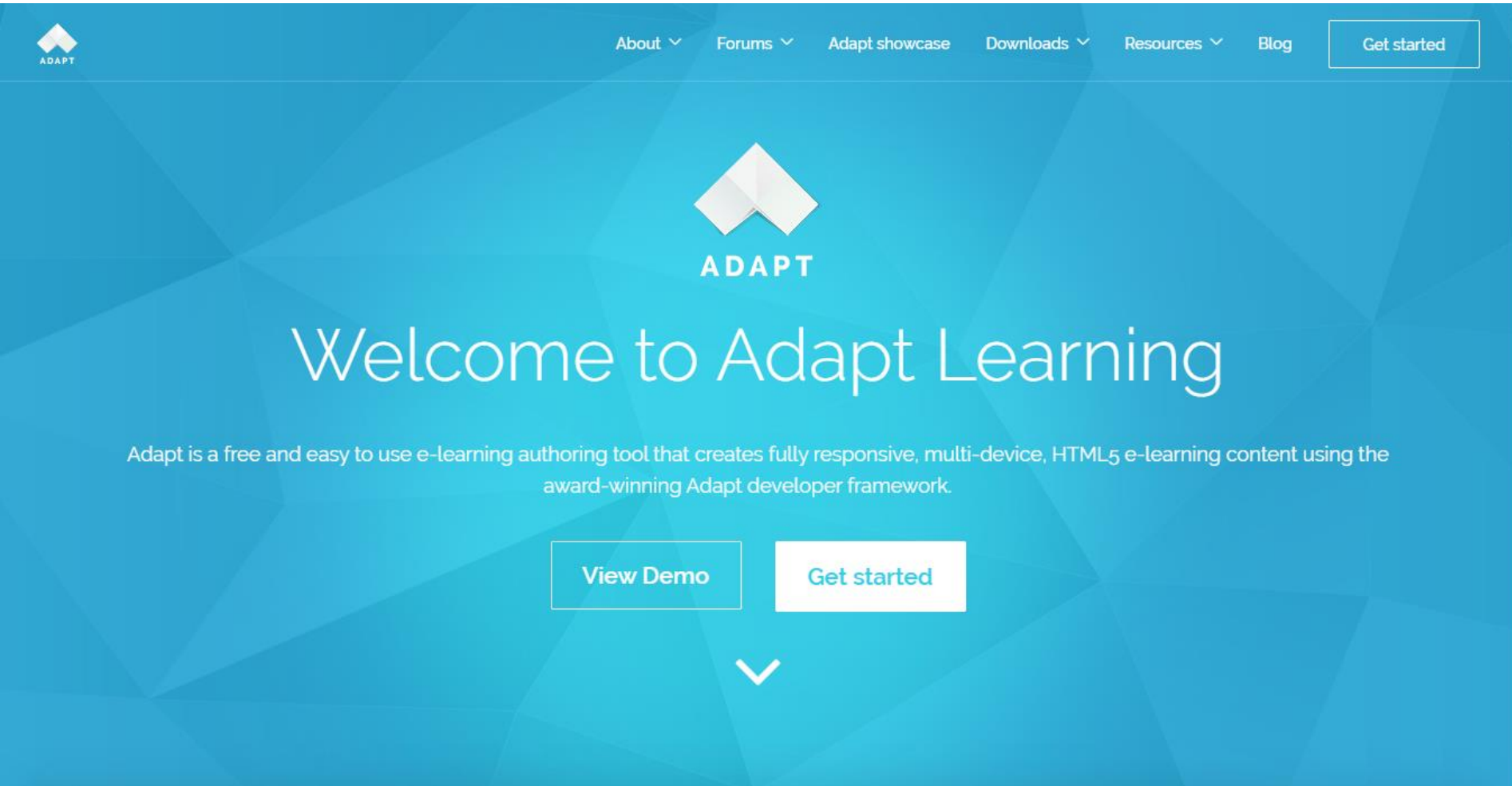
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# Content Management Systems

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- Moodle
  - [www.moodle.org](http://www.moodle.org)
- Joomla!
  - [www.joomla.org](http://www.joomla.org)
- WordPress
  - [www.wordpress.org](http://www.wordpress.org)



# Other CMS

- Weebly
  - [www.weebly.com](http://www.weebly.com)
- Wix
  - [www.wix.com](http://www.wix.com)
- B12
  - [www.b12.io](http://www.b12.io)



# Utility Programs

# Wayback Machine – Internet Archive

- <http://web.archive.org>
- The Wayback Machine is a digital archive of the World Wide Web and other information on the Internet. It was launched in 2001 by the Internet Archive
- Use it to find older website designs, files, date, etc.

**WayBack Machine**

# 7-Zip

- Allows you to compress files & folders into “zip files” as well as open zip files.
- Works on Windows, Mac & Unix
- <http://www.7-zip.org/>





# SimpleOCR

- SimpleOCR (Optical Character Recognition)
- If you have a scanner and want to avoid retyping your documents, SimpleOCR is the fast, free way to do it.
- Works with Windows PC.
- <http://www.simpleocr.com/>



# Speakonia

- Text to Speech Software
- Plan and simple, this program takes your text and reads it aloud.
- Can export spoken text as a WAV file.
- [https://download.cnet.com/Speakonia/3000-7239\\_4-10125328.html](https://download.cnet.com/Speakonia/3000-7239_4-10125328.html)



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FOR PROFESSIONALS



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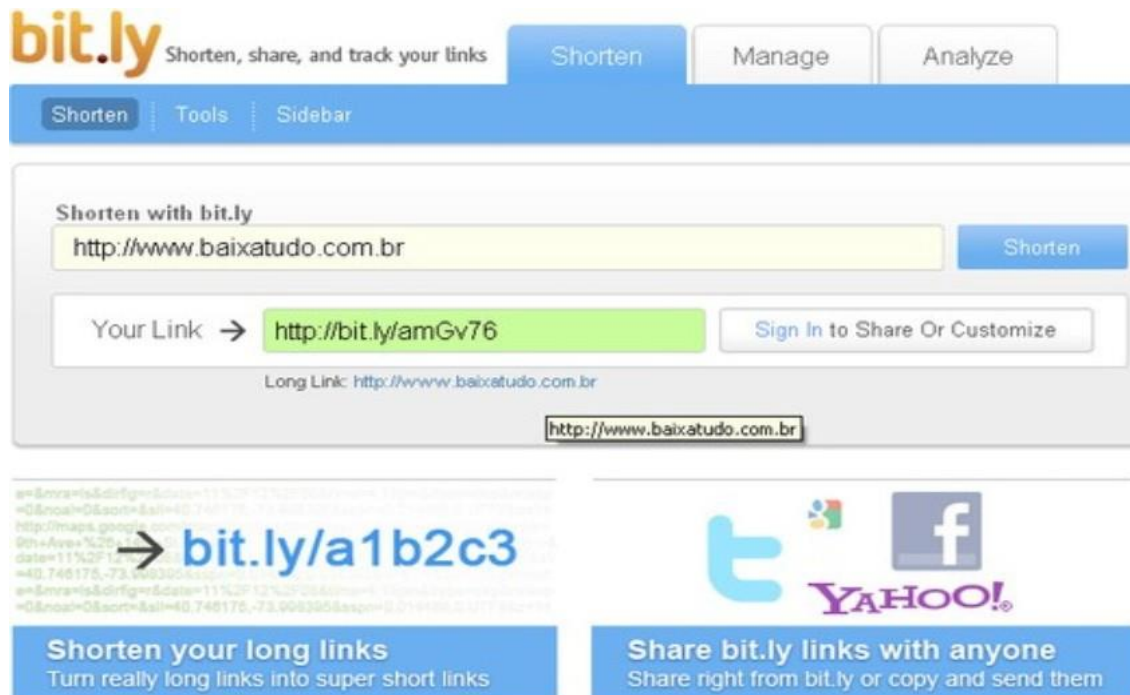
[libdvdpi](#)

[libVLC](#)

- <https://www.videolan.org>

# Bit.ly

- Allows users to shorten long URL addresses, share URLs with others and track the number of views of a particular link
- <http://www.bit.ly>



The screenshot shows the bit.ly website interface. At the top left is the bit.ly logo with the tagline "Shorten, share, and track your links". Navigation tabs include "Shorten", "Manage", and "Analyze". Below this is a sub-navigation bar with "Shorten", "Tools", and "Sidebar". The main content area is titled "Shorten with bit.ly" and features a text input field containing "http://www.baixatudo.com.br" and a "Shorten" button. Below the input field, it displays "Your Link → http://bit.ly/amGv76" and a "Sign In to Share Or Customize" button. The "Long Link" is shown as "http://www.baixatudo.com.br". At the bottom, there are two promotional banners: one for "Shorten your long links" and another for "Share bit.ly links with anyone".





# Norton Safe Web

- Allows users to verify if a website is safe or not.
- Analyze sites for
  - Computer Threats
  - Identity Threats
  - Annoyance factors
- <http://safeweb.norton.com/>



# Communication Tools

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# QR Generator

- Allows you to generate a QR-code for a URL, text, phone number, SMS, etc.
- <http://www.qrstuff.com/>



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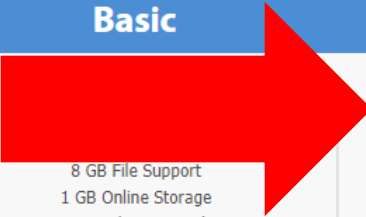
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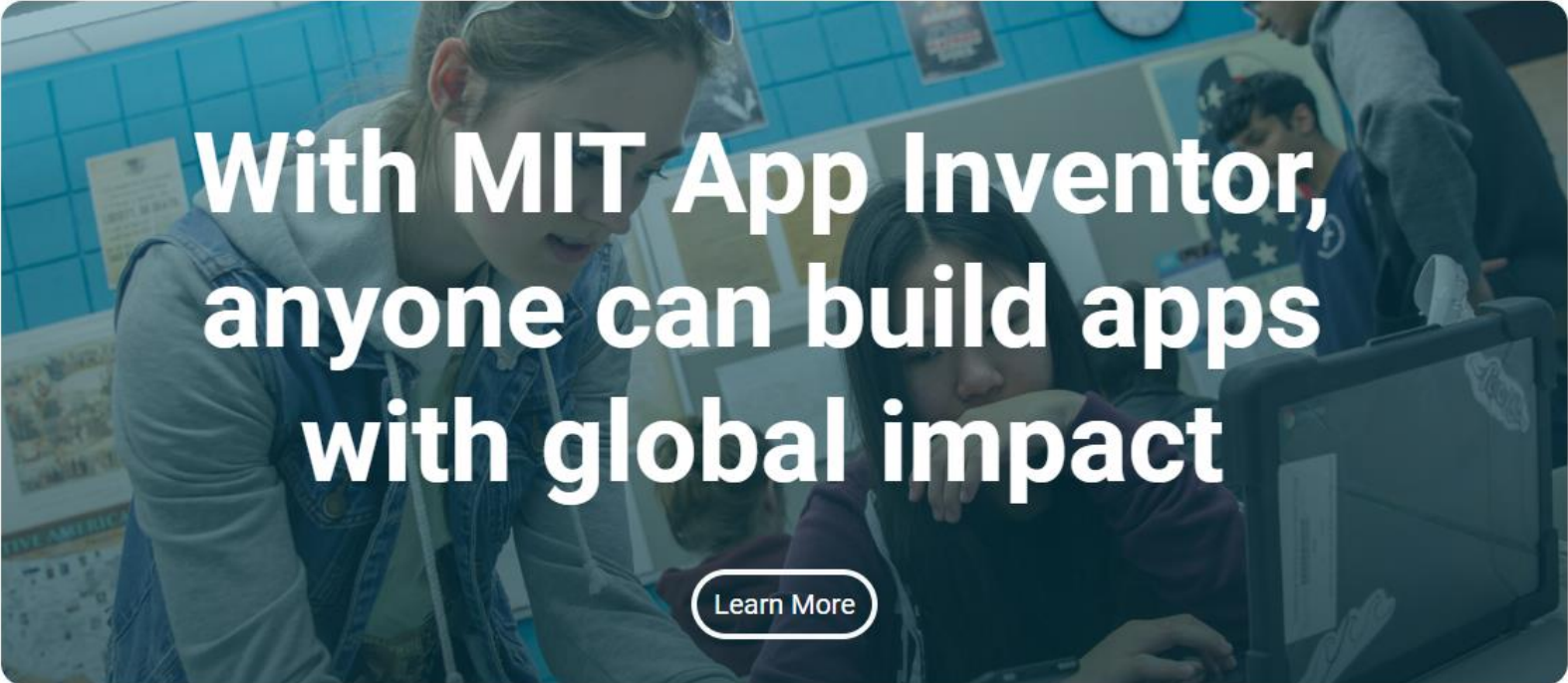
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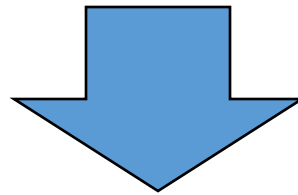
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