

A top-down view of a desk with a laptop, keyboard, mouse, and a small plant. The background is a light, neutral color.

Google

Using Frog and Google together

Google's suite of tools offers a very useful resource to teachers and their students. Allowing students to receive work from teachers, adapt documents and hand them back.

Due to the nature of Google's system, each teacher is responsible for setting up their own classes of students. Adding students via invitation to the class's group. Your school IT administrators can use workarounds to do this or you could just let Frog manage all your groups for you.

Frog links to your MIS, so all your students and their classes exist ready to be assigned work. Any class changes are synced daily, so there's no need to update groups. You still get to use all of those powerful Google tools, but Frog handles the admin.

And because you'll be assigning using Frog's homework system, parents and pastoral staff can help support your students with their Google homework. Which also means that any home learning set on Frog sends the student and their parents a Push Notification direct to their phone.

If you do use Frog for all your home learning assignments, then you're not limited to just using documents, remember all of Frog's self-marking quizzes, custom mark schemes and media-rich interactive content.

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So, what does setting a Google homework in Frog look like?

As you can see here, I have my Google Drive as part of my FrogDrive. I can open the Drive from this link, or I can make new Google files directly from this New button.

I have a document here I'm ready to assign. I can preview it, to make sure it's the right one and if I need to I can make a change to it by opening it in its own tab.

When I return to Frog, notice that the preview has also updated. If I close the preview for now, the document is still selected, so I can:

- Click on the **Action Cog**
- Select the **Assign** submenu
- And now I get to choose how I assign this document
 - **View only** – shares this document with the students, although they can only view it, not interact with it
 - **Collaborate** – also shares the same document, but this time they can amend it.

or I can choose:

- **Individual copy** – this option duplicates the document for each student and shares them individually. This is probably the one you'll use the most.

When I select whichever option, the regular New Assignment Wizard pops up. Here I can fill out the usual information and assign it to the class. My students get the same experience as any homework.

You can also assign Google docs directly from the New Assignment Wizard as well:

- Click on the big **+** (**Plus**) sign in the FrogBar
- Select **Assignment**
- In the New Assignment pop-up, fill out the front page as usual, then click **Next**
- On the Activities screen, you can now select **Google Activity**
- Browse **FrogDrive** to select the document you wish to add.

You can add multiple activities of course and mark each one separately and of course you can add additional resources.

Hopefully you can see that we have done our best to make assigning Google Docs as simple and straight-forward as possible, while also benefitting everyone else in school through a single, unified homework system.

There is a more in-depth look at setting and marking Google documents, which you can find linked below and we have detailed guides for your school's Frog Admins to use when setting up initial integration. Our Service Desk can also help guide you through this.