

Show Us Where You Membean

Take Membean with you while
you're on the go!



Activity Introduction

Did you know you can use Membean nearly anywhere?

We want to see where you're Membeaning! Here are the basic steps:

1. Start a Membean training session or pull up a specific word page on your phone, laptop, tablet, or other device.
2. Take a photo (*or have someone take a photo*) of your device as well as whatever is in the background.
 - a. The photo should look like we're seeing over your shoulder.
 - b. Make sure it's an actual training session or word page (*not just your dashboard or membean.com's homepage.*)
 - c. Make sure we can see what's on the device's screen as well as what's in your view!
3. Turn it in!

Purpose: Why are we doing this?

Practice Membean while also demonstrating your understanding of Audience, Purpose, Mood, and Tone. We want to see you play with perspective to create mood/tone and to achieve your purpose through elements like:

- Camera angle
- Subject(s) (*What is pictured?*)
- Lighting
- Proximity (*How near or far from the subject(s) are you?*)
- Image clarity (*What is intentionally in or out of focus?*)

Useful terminology:

Audience: Who the creator/author intends to see the photo.

Purpose: What the creator is trying to get the audience to do after interacting with the photo. They may be trying simply to entertain, influence thoughts about a topic, or motivate the audience to do something.

Mood and Tone: Feelings associated with the photo by the creator and the viewer. Mood is the way the photo makes the audience feel, while Tone is the way the creator feels about the subject. The photo may intend to make us laugh or feel serious and contemplative. Both are achieved by the creator's specific choices in details.

Step 1: What's in your Membean view?

- 1.) Think ahead about what you'll be doing and where you'll be going in the near future. Brainstorm some photos you might be able to capture.
 - a.) What photo might capture your superb sadness about being away from your awesome teachers?
 - b.) What photo might sum up what you spent the most time doing, your favorite moment, or your least favorite moment while being away from school?
 - c.) What photo might show what is most important to you or something special that happened?
 - d.) What photo would you most want to remember?
- 2.) Remember: Be safe and keep it appropriate.
 - a.) Make sure wherever you decide to take your photo, you're in a safe place and not risking harm.
 - b.) Your photo needs to be school appropriate.

Step 2: Consider your audience, purpose, mood, and tone

- 1.) What is your intended **audience**? What does your audience like/dislike, or find important, humorous, or sad?
- 2.) Consider **purpose** and **mood**. What do you want your audience to do, think, or feel after seeing your photo?
- 3.) What about **tone**? How do *you* feel about your subject? As the creator, what feelings of yours would you like to portray?
- 4.) What **meaning or feeling** do you want to convey with your photo? Will it match what's shown on your device, be ironic, or something else?

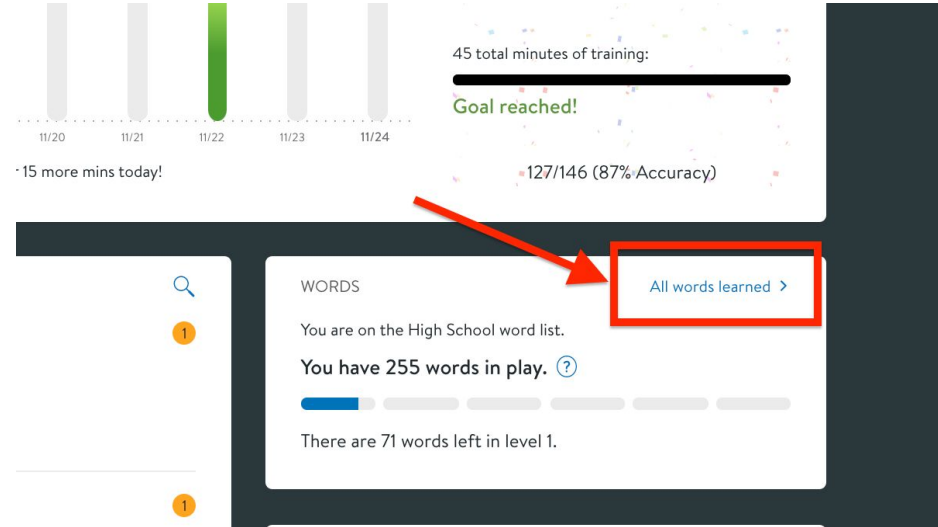
Step 3: Reflect and revise as needed

Consider before turning in:

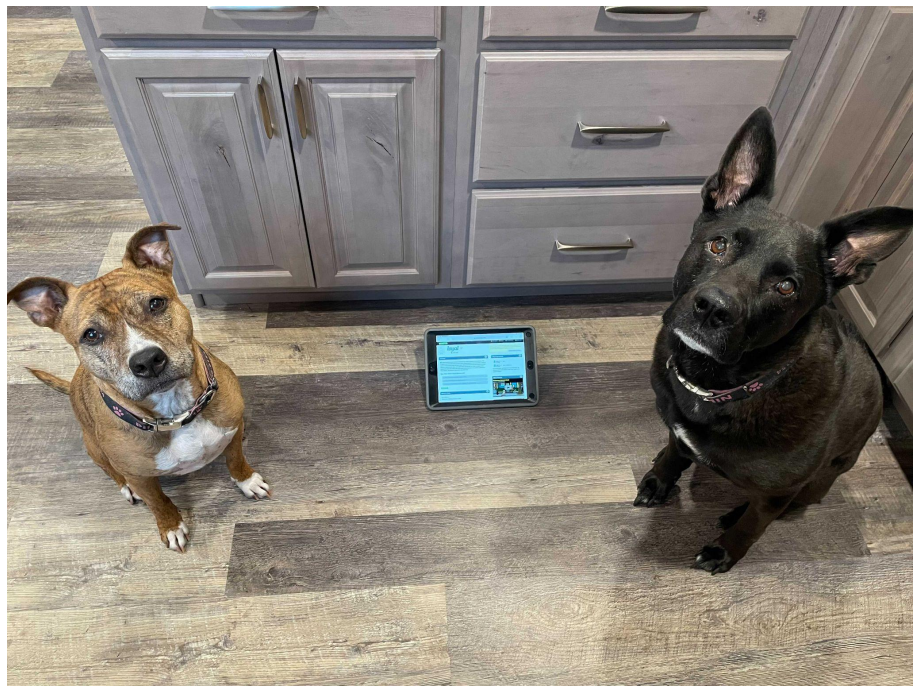
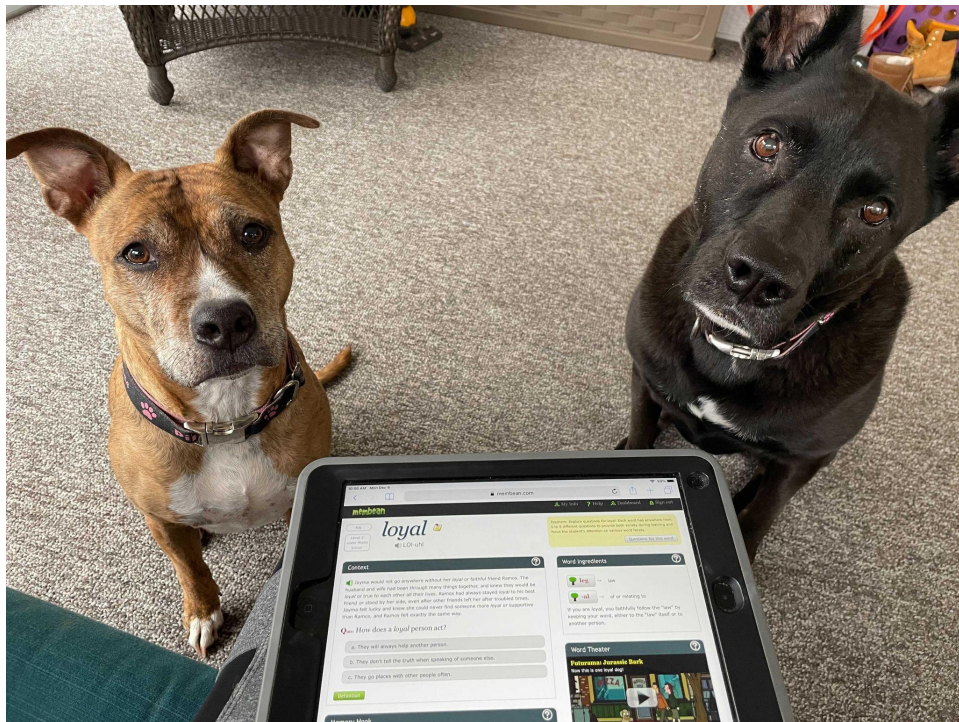
- Does your purpose and mood/tone come across clearly from the photo? How and why?
- Could a different angle, lighting, background, or word page improve your photo?

Want to make your screen match your image or play with mood/tone further?

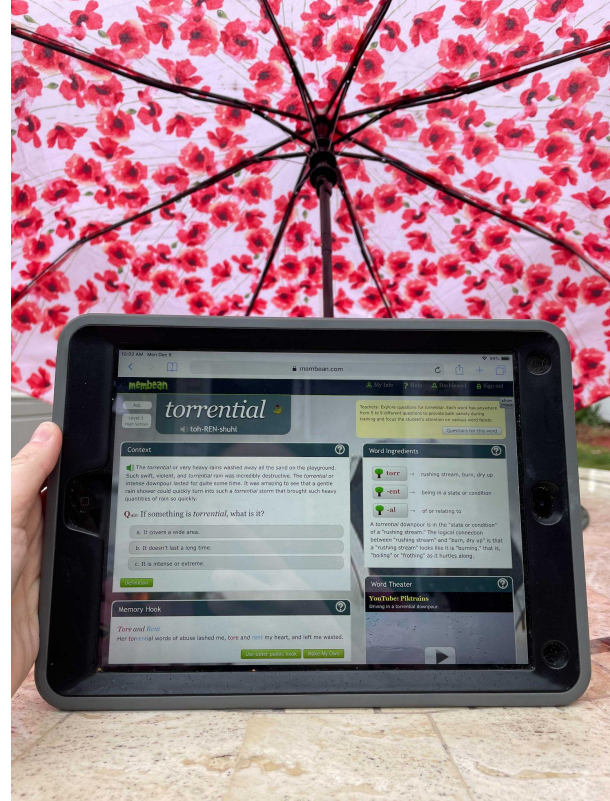
- You can use your own Membean words by looking at “All Words Learned” on your dashboard.



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Common Questions

- Does my device need to display a specific word page?
 - Nope! Anything that can come up in a training session (*question or word page*) is okay to have on your screen.
- What if I'm not going anywhere "cool"?
 - No problem! Whether you're leaving town or staying in, we know you'll find something great to share. We think wherever **you** are is plenty cool enough!
- Can my photo be in a public place?
 - Yes. Rock climbing wall, local park, subway station, Times Square, or Piccadilly Square... It's entirely up to you! Anywhere you can Membean, you can use. Just make sure you are safe wherever you are!
- Can I have more than one photo if I put them together in a single file?
 - Not this time. Work on selecting the **best**. Consider taking multiple photos from different angles, from close up or far away, with different lighting, etc. to make it perfect because you only have **one** shot when you turn it in.
- I'm great at selfies! Is this a selfie?
 - No, this is not a selfie. Your photo should feature your device in the foreground and a setting in the background.