

#### **Lesson 4: Technologies of Distance Education**

Distance Education uses different technologies. Print Based Corresponding Studying, Prerecorded Media, One-Way Live Video, Two-Way Audio-One -Way Video, and Two-Way Audio-Video are all forms of distance education used by institutions. As new technologies as emerged new ways of distributing learning materials have been created. Blackboard, Canvas, Moodle, Google Classroom, Edmodo, and Moodle offer good platforms for the distribution of instructional and learning materials. The video did not mention Google Classroom and Edmodo, but I thought it was important to bring up the two most used platforms by K-12 educators. I have used Google Classroom for the last three years and I consider it an excellent platform. Teachers can create assignments and make announcements. And students can communicate easily with their teachers. In addition, several e-textbooks and educational websites are linked to Google Classroom. Teachers import their classes from it to the website or e-textbook and when the assignment is created it is automatically posted in Google Classroom.

#### **Lesson 5: Creating and Posting Your Web Site**

This lesson is about how to create our website. The main page should include my name, a title, a picture of myself, an email address I frequently use, my employer website, and a paragraph to welcome visitors and give a brief description of the purpose of the website. The second page is a link to completed assignments for this course. Examples of students' work are shown in the video. The professor recommends two websites that help finding the domain name and hosting the website. They are The Best Web Hosting and GoDaddy. In his opinion, both are easy to work with, and affordable. To create the website, we should consider [wordpress.org](https://wordpress.org); it is free and easy to use. After watching the video, I have a better understanding on what are the steps I should follow to begin creating my website.