

DOCS & SPREADSHEETS

IN THE CLASSROOM

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Where it is being used now:

Journalism classes

ESL classes

English classes

Social studies classes

Journalism programs are using Docs and Spreadsheets.

- ✓ CAMPANILE (newspaper) 70 students
- ✓ VERDE (magazine) 35 students
- ✓ BEGINNING JOURNALISM: 160 students
- ✓ <http://voice.paly.net> (website) 30 students

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International Festival survives cancellation scare thanks to increased volunteer efforts

The Campanile, News, Feb. 12
Though a shortage of volunteers threatened to cancel Palo Alto High School's International Festival, parents and students have stepped up to push the event forward.

1 in 1700: Rahul Ramakrishnan

The Campanile, Entertainment, Feb. 12
The Campanile: So Rahul, this is 1 in 1700. So what is it like to be a junior at Palo Alto High School?

Online classes increase schedule flexibility, reduce stress

The Campanile, Features, Feb. 12
With pressure and stress mounting from SATs, homework and college applications, some students at Palo Alto High School have turned to receiving their education through online classes. Students take courses online in order to avoid taking traditional classes they find tedious and to reduce their homework load.



Adam Heeger

One-sided rivalry: Vikings topple Titans again

Voice, Sports, Feb. 9

It was sloppy, ugly and at times it was downright pathetic, but in the end, the result was the same -- The Vikings beat rival Gunn and the Vikings won at home, both extending streaks that date back to before any of the current Vikings were in high school.

- All-school rally: slam dunk, *News, Feb. 12*

News



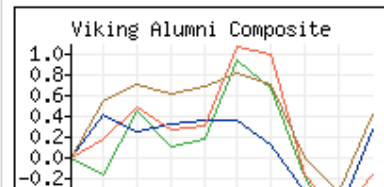
FEB. 12 Robotics

Quicktime 6.0 or higher required. Off-campus loading may be slow.

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- FEB. 9 Soccer vs. Gunn
- FEB. 6 News only
- FEB. 5 News only
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CAMPANILE: newspaper



Columbia Crown winner, National Scholastic Press Hall of Fame



It's Alive!
Mr. Hanmer marches to the beat of his own rock band, Jello Hat. Page B2

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Vikings conquer CCS

Palo Alto defeats Oak Grove 23-21, with chance at State Championship



Palo Alto Vikings players, from left to right, WR Kwanon Hill, RB David Brown, QB Steve Preece, and WR Kwanon Hill, celebrate after a game against Oak Grove.

By Tom Brown
The Vikings' victory over Oak Grove on Saturday night was a significant win for the team, as they advanced to the CCS Finals. The game was a hard-fought battle, with Palo Alto leading 23-21 at the end of the game.

The Vikings' offense was led by quarterback Steve Preece, who threw for 200 yards and two touchdowns. Running back David Brown also had a strong performance, rushing for 100 yards and a touchdown. The defense was led by linebacker Kwanon Hill, who had a game-high 100 yards and a touchdown.

Mixed community reaction to superintendent's retirement

By Tom Brown
The retirement of Superintendent Dr. [Name] has caused a mixed reaction in the community. Some people are happy to see him go, while others are sad to see him leave.

Student Council updates, amends flaws in constitution

By Tom Brown
The Student Council has updated its constitution and amended some of the flaws. The new constitution will be in effect starting next year.

Journalism and English programs get donations for computers and programs

By Tom Brown
The Journalism and English programs have received donations for computers and software. The donations will help the students with their assignments and projects.

County brings alcohol suit against state

By Tom Brown
The County has filed a lawsuit against the state regarding alcohol. The lawsuit is about the state's policies on alcohol and how they affect the county.

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NEWS

The Campanile

NEWSBRIEFS

Revised PFAUSD calendar features an earlier start and eliminates Ski Week
The Palo Alto Unified School District Board of Education has approved its 2007-2008 school calendar, which moves the starting day of school one week earlier and also eliminates the annual week of school. The calendar also features other minor changes and remains the same.

Ski and Snowboard Club to take to the slopes

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Students turn out in high numbers for Fall Drive to benefit patients

The Palo Alto High School community turned out in high numbers for the Fall Drive to benefit patients. The drive was a success, with many students and staff participating.

Freeman Eric Wilton enters air during snowboarding trip in preparation for the January Ski and Snowboard Club trip to Lake Tahoe. Early skiers and other members have expressed interest in going on the trip, organized by President and member Nanaia Wilton.

Freeman Eric Wilton is a member of the Palo Alto Ski and Snowboard Club. He is preparing for the January trip to Lake Tahoe. The trip is organized by President and member Nanaia Wilton. The trip is a great opportunity for students to enjoy winter sports and have fun.

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Administration works to curb whooping cough outbreak

The Administration is working to curb a whooping cough outbreak. The outbreak is a concern for the school and the community.

UPCOMING Events

- December 15: Play in a Day
- December 16-18: Winter Break
- January 16-18: Finals

National Scholastic Press PaceMaker



news

PAUSD superintendent retiring, search begins



The Palo Alto Unified School District Board of Education has begun searching for a replacement for Superintendent Mary Callan, who announced her resignation earlier this month.

The search for a replacement can take anywhere from four months to about nine months, according to Kathleen Ruessgeger, the assistant to the superintendent.

In a letter to the school board, Callan expressed her desire for a "smooth transition" for her successor. "I would need to let you [the board] know of my plans prior to 2007 so that the board would have sufficient time to find my replacement," she wrote.

Ruessgeger shares Callan's desire for a seamless change. "Hopefully, the board will be able to choose a replacement before the superintendent leaves so they won't need an interim," Ruessgeger says.

One possible way to find a replacement is to go through a consulting firm, which would recruit potential candidates, review all résumés, and narrow them down based on the district and community's criteria. The board will most likely choose this course, as it saves time and effort, Ruessgeger says.

The change could have a large impact on Paly students. "A superintendent can change an entire district," Antink says. "Paly could be in for a huge change."

The process will be long and difficult, according to math instructional supervisor Susanne Antink. "I think it's very challenging for this district to find a superintendent of the level we need for such a small district," Antink says. "We have talented kids and a bright community."

Ruessgeger stresses that the district welcomes community input about search criteria. The board may appoint an additional committee made up of teachers, staff, and other community members to prescreen applicants.

"This [Palo Alto] is a very involved community," Ruessgeger says. "If the board feels the community and staff members want a voice in who is hired, they [the board] will have a committee."

Community input is important in making the right choice, according to Ruessgeger. "It's their [the community's] children," Ruessgeger says. **W**

— Amanda Hall

Numbers

5	Paly average score on AP Physics C (Electricity & Magnetism) test
3.5	national average score on the AP Physics C (Electricity & Magnetism) test <i>(more on p. 13)</i>
5.5	thousand children who die every day in Eastern and Southern Africa, according to UNICEF
450	thousand people have died in the Darfur region genocide, according to Genocide Intervention <i>(more on p. 36)</i>
371	amount, in dollars, of the cheapest room available for monthly rent at the Opportunity Center <i>(more on p. 20)</i>

Library establishes teen section

Through the creation of a newly-opened teen section, the Palo Alto Main Library hopes to make the library more teen-friendly.

The new area was designed to appeal to teens and has new furniture, a pop-board acknowledging "Remarkable Teen Readers," and shelf space for teen movies, music and recorded books.

Palo Alto Mayor Judy Kleinsberg expressed interest in providing a space for teens in the city during a speech in the Dec. 5 opening ceremony. "We have struggled to make the library more appropriate for our youth," she said.

During the ceremony, Kleinsberg along with Paly freshman William Kern cut the symbolic ribbon.

Kern also has high hopes for the new teen section of the library.

"It's really a cool way to open up the library," Kern said. "I will definitely use it. I did not know about it [the teen section] until two days ago, but when I found out I was excited."

School Liaison Maya Spector worked with teens to bring about changes in the library and attributed the libraries' focus on teens to a shift within the community. "There was more of a focus on teens city-wide," she said.

This is also apparent in the creation of a second Teen Library Advisory Board which will begin in January. A T-LAB focused on the Main Library will hopefully help improve the area. **W**

— Jenny McElaney
This story originally appeared on Voice

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Suggested use of Docs in the classroom:

- ESSAYS
- VOCABULARY WORK
- CREATIVE WRITING
- POETRY PORTFOLIOS
- ESSAY TESTS
- CLASSWORK

Of Mice and Men essay

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Of Mice and Men Essay edited on October 15, 2006 4:30 PM by Jmann

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Jessica Mann
Critical Thinking
Woj
October 10, 2006

Of Mice and Men

In the book *Of Mice and Men*, by John Steinback, Lennie and George and two other migrant workers rely on dreams to improve their life. Lennie and George are two best friends who have stuck to each other for a long time. When they reach the new ranch they have to work on, they find many problems awaiting them. They have to learn how to deal with 'difficult' characters like Curley, the troublesome and bossy character and Curley's wife, the big flirt. Lennie and George also meet Slim, the skinner, Candy, the swamper, Crooks, the stable buck, and Carlson, another person who bucks barley. They are working so they can earn enough money so they can fulfill their plan, or dream. In the end, though, everything falls apart and goes astray. Three examples of characters who have dreams that never come true are Lennie, George,

STUDENTS CAN TAKE TESTS



Google Docs & Spreadsheets

Dulik, Gracie: Romeo and Juliet edited on February 8, 2007 2:16 PM by Grdulik10

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Romeo and Juliet: Self-Test

Act I

1. *"Your lives shall pay the forfeit of the peace."* (I.i.99)
The prince is saying that the Montagues and Capulets will be killed if any more fights between them occur.
2. *"Let two more summers wither in their pride/Ere we think her ripe to be a bride."* (I.ii.10-11)
Capulet tells Paris that Juliet will be ready to marry in two years.
3. *"Sups the fair Rosaline whom thou so loves."* (I.ii.90)
Romeo is in love with Rosaline at the beginning of the play.
4. *"Well, think of marriage now..."* (I.iii.75)
Lady Capulet encourages Juliet to marry early.
5. *"I'll look to like, if looking liking move."* (I.iii.103)
Juliet agrees to try with Paris.
6. *"Content thee, gentle coz. Let him alone."* (I.v.74)
Juliet tells her cousin Tybalt to leave Romeo alone.

ADVANTAGES OF DOCS & SPREADSHEETS

WHY WOULD AN ENGLISH/JOURNALISM TEACHER USE IT?

1. Makes peer collaborating and editing exciting and fun.
2. Saves automatically (no more complaints about I lost my work)
3. Easy access from any Internet computer (eliminates “my computer crashed” because it is always online)
4. Teacher can monitor student work easily & offer comments & suggestions at any point in the assignment. Hard for students to tell those big fibs when you can see their revision history online.

Students love it, no more coaxing kids to do their writing assignments. They beg to go to the computer lab to work on a collaborative assignment with their partner.

Easy to see which student contributed what because there is a “Revisions History” and you can see who contributed.

Easy for students to publish their work online using Blogger.
Just click!

Gives students an authentic audience for their work: parents, peers, friends and blogs.

Teachers can see exactly what was revised, by whom, and when

Revision	Last Edited	Changes
Revision 175	4 days ago by Kelley Shin	<i>no text added</i>
Revision 174	8 weeks ago by Kelley Shin	and pistachios line the middle layer. The bottom layers of pastry are dipped in caramel, balancing the flavor of
Revision 173	8 weeks ago by Kelley Shin	The Lentil soup (\$4.99) is another house specialty and was different from any Lentil soup I had ever tasted, an
Revision 172	8 weeks ago by Kelley Shin	with the diced cucumbers, tomatoes, spices and Falafel. These ingredients are all wrapped up into a tortilla-like
Revision 171	8 weeks ago by Kelley Shin	therefore, adults may enjoy it more than younger children. Kan Zeman is also affordable, prices range from \$4. Revisions 168-171
Revision 168	2 months ago by Kelley Shin	friendly chatter in the background. The tables are well spaced apart, but close enough that one table does not :
Revision 167	2 months ago by Kelley Shin	Delicious, authentic Mediterranean food is what you get at Kan Zeman, a small Mediterranean restaurant in do Revisions 164-167
Revision 164	2 months ago by Gloria Yu	this is so cute :) Delicious, authentic Mediterranean food is what you get at Kan Zeman, a small Mediterranean Revisions 158-164
Revision 158	2 months ago by Kelley Shin	A Night of Authentic Mediterranean Cuisine Delicious, authentic Mediterranean food is what you get at Kan Zer Revisions 153-158
Revision 153	2 months ago by Kelley Shin	<i>no text added</i>
Revision 152	2 months ago by Kelley Shin	a mint leaf and unlimited refills. The tea is hot and soothing, with a sweet taste balanced by a hint of mint. The Revisions 150-152
Revision 150	2 months ago by Kelley Shin	n acquired taste (do you mean "an aquired taste?"), so adults may enjoy it more than younger children. When y
Revision 149	2 months ago by Kelley Shin	A Night of Authentic Mediterranean Cuisine Kan Zeman is a small Mediterranean restaurant in downtown Palo .
Revision 148	2 months ago by Gloria Yu	(do you mean "an aquired taste?"), so adults may enjoy it more than younger children. When you walk into the r Revisions 144-148
Revision 144	2 months ago by Scott, Elizabeth	with mint leaf and unlimited refills. The tea was is hot and soothing, with a sweet taste balanced by a hint of m Revisions 136-144
Revision 136	2 months ago by Scott, Elizabeth	TITLE!!!! -Scott, Elizabeth 3/5/07 6:26 AM Kan Zeman is a small Mediterranean restaurant in downtown Palo / Revisions 134-136
Revision 134	2 months ago by Gloria Yu	<i>no text added</i>

Have students set up a **Google Account** using any email address

OR

Have them sign up for a **Gmail Account**

If district blocks email accounts, sign up for as many dummy email accounts as you need and let students use them in class.

Easiest way to get started is to take students into a computer lab and guide them through the process.

- Collaborative book reports
- Co-editing essays
- Collaborative research papers
- Group discussions about literary topics (4 students to a group)
- Vocabulary work either individual or in pairs
- Creative writing
- Poetry or writing portfolios (all saved on Docs & Spreadsheets)
- Class Blog: upload work to class blog (controlled viewers who are invited)

- ✓ Personality profiles
- ✓ Movie reviews
- ✓ Restaurant reviews
- ✓ Books reviews
- ✓ Product reviews
- ✓ Peer editing built into program
- ✓ Collaborative work on investigative stories
- ✓ Easy to publish work to webpage
- ✓ News stories: students can check each other for accuracy
- ✓ Sports: peer edit and upload stories to a Sports Blog
- ✓ Opinion: designate topic and have students collaborate
- ✓ Publish student opinion on class blog or school blog

- ✓ Editors can easily make comments online to reporters
- ✓ All students submit articles on D & S; easy to revise.
- ✓ Students also submit them in hard copy
- ✓ Editors also edit on paper as a backup
- ✓ D & S helps develop online peer editing groups
- ✓ Easy to spot errors in structure early and give immediate feedback
- ✓ Easy to save in a variety of formats
- ✓ Easy to find a student's work---just use search engine in Docs
- ✓ Easy to rename any article

Joe Bellino and Ailish Zompa,
ESL teachers at Montgomery Blair High School
are using **Google Docs**
to help English language learners
become critical readers and writers

Montgomery Blair High School

Rockville, Maryland

ESLGoogle Docs Project

The teachers found that Google Docs had a number of advantages over NiceNet.

- **Students could insert comments into documents.**
- **Teachers could watch documents develop.**

Teachers found peer conferencing more effective when done with Google Docs.

Why the ESL teachers used Docs

- **They wanted students to have the opportunity to easily read the writing of their classmates**
- **They wanted students to practice using language that would help their classmates improve ideas and development**
- **They wanted to encourage students to improve their own ideas and development.**



Get students to change their display name so teachers can recognize the name.



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar containing `http://docs.google.com/?action=settings#`. The browser tabs include 'Gmail - Inbox (447)', 'Google Docs & Spreadsheets', and 'Settings'. The page header features the Google logo, a search bar, and navigation links for 'Gmail', 'Calendar', 'Photos', 'Docs & Spreadsheets', and 'all my services'. The user's email address, 'heywoj@gmail.com', is displayed in the top right corner. The main content area is titled 'Settings' and has four tabs: 'General', 'Documents', 'Spreadsheets', and 'RSS Feeds'. The 'Spreadsheets' tab is selected. Under the 'Display name' section, the text reads 'Your display name identifies you to others when collaborating.' and the input field contains 'Heywoj'. Below this are sections for 'Blog settings' with an 'edit info...' link and 'Old Writely Documents' with a 'move old documents' link. At the bottom of the settings area, there are three buttons: '« Back to Docs & Spreadsheets', 'Save', and 'Cancel'. An arrow points from the 'Heywoj' text in the input field to the top right of the browser window.

IF YOU DON'T CHANGE THE USER NAME



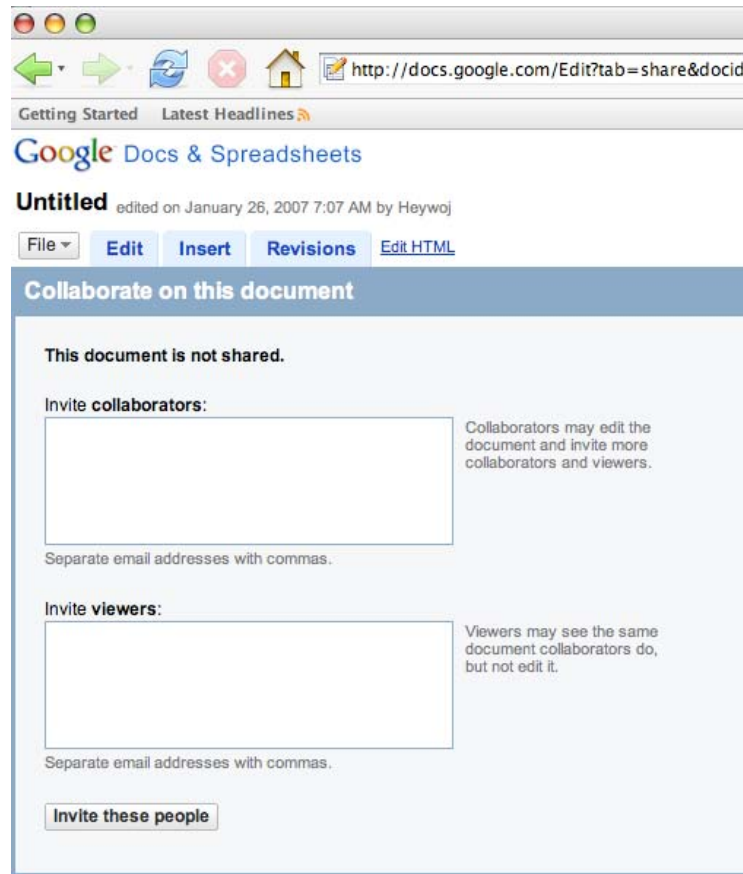
This is what your inbox will look like--

The screenshot shows a Gmail inbox interface. On the left, there is a sidebar with navigation options: 'New', 'Upload', 'Add to folder', 'Delete', and 'More actions'. Below these are folders for 'sports news (16 items)' and 'webquest (53 items)'. A section titled 'Items by type' is expanded to show 'Shared with...' with a list of users and their item counts: Aeb1991 (25 items), Ally (19 items), Bakakawaisa (18 items), Beckybyler (17 items), Boogliwoogliebear (17 items), C_gallagher1190 (21 items), Chitah17 (24 items), Clairiethefairy (17 items), Climmey12 (19 items), Corymccroskey (21 items), Crheising (18 items), Crzyascudb11 (17 items), Dannnaa (27 items), and Dikoub (21 items). The main inbox area displays a list of emails. The top email is from '2, Mitchell, Megan: Feature' with folders 'Feature' and 'Mmmitchell, Heywoj'. Below it is a section 'EARLIER THIS MONTH' containing several emails, including '4Ebert, Aaron: Animal Farm presentation' with folders 'final exam' and 'Tennismenace1392, T...', 'starchartexercise' with folders 'NECC' and 'me', '6-4-07' with folders 'NECC' and 'Jdboy8, Heywoj', '6-8-07' with folders 'NECC' and 'Jdboy8, Heywoj', 'GTA NorCal 2006 contact info' with folders 'NECC, Published' and 'Dianemain, 21dr', 'ssgradea' with folders 'NECC' and 'me', and 'checkbook' with folders 'NECC' and 'me'. The bottom email is from '6Gallagher, Chris: final story' with folders 'final exam' and 'C_gallagher1190, Heywoj'. Other visible email titles include 'After a', 'resume 2006', '2Haydock, Sarah; CD Review', '2Haydock, Sarah; Final Exam', and 'Sports mag story list'.

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6-4-07	NECC Jdboy8, Heywoj
6-8-07	NECC Jdboy8, Heywoj
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Sports mag story list	Baseball6791, Heywoj

ADDING COLLABORATORS

Collaborators email address must be added to **each document**



Revisions and how they look

The screenshot shows a Google Docs interface for a document titled "Harris, Zach: Personality Featur...". The document is edited on February 4, 2007, at 11:53 AM by Zharris09. The "Revisions" menu is open, showing a list of revisions. The current revision is "6 hours ago - Zharris09". The dropdown menu lists the following revisions:

- Select a revision below
- 6 hours ago - Zharris09
- 6 hours ago - JoshLymen
- 6 hours ago - Zharris09
- 6 hours ago - Zharris09 (2)
- 6 hours ago - Zharris09 (3)
- 6 hours ago - Zharris09 (4)
- 6 hours ago - Zharris09 (5)
- 31 hours ago - Zharris09
- 32 hours ago - Zharris09
- 2 days ago - Zharris09
- 2 days ago - Zharris09 (2)
- 2 days ago - Zharris09 (3)
- 2 days ago - Zharris09 (4)

The document text is partially visible and includes the following paragraphs:

... down on a stage as four Palo Alto teenagers hear themselves and their brand new
instrument. This truly is nirvana.
"It was the first real major performance we've ever done," Harvey said
and his band, The Alex Eckstien Quartet, for lack of a better name, have been playing
together. While he spends most of his time at school and work,
Harvey and the band is his only real form of self expression.
"I pretty much dominates my life." Harvey exclaimed somewhat proudly
From Marsales to De La Soul and Tupac, Harvey's life is run by music. Starting piano at 7
and guitar, Harvey has been taking music lessons for the greater part of his life. His band, consisting of Harvey
(guitar), Alex Eckstein (saxophone), Dorcey Bass (Bass), and Ben Stillerman (Piano), have been playing small gigs at
private parties and recently a few Hurricane Katrina benefits. Their main focus is playing and mastering scales, but
Harvey says that the band does have a few original songs in the making.
After only playing real gigs for only a year and a half, the band was overwhelmed when they were invited to play
the Jazz Festival. They played a half hour set accompanied by fellow Palo Alto musicians Chris Hansen, Ken Elmore, and
Tim Churnicof.
"It was an experience of a lifetime. It was just so much fun." Harvey stated jovially about their performance.
Harvey plans to pursue music at least through college and someday hopes to create a name for himself as a
professional guitarist. For only Sophomores, Harvey and his band are not doing to bad, and shows like the Jazz Festival
sure don't hurt.

Google Docs Project

Each student's editing is a different color

- Select a revision below
- 2 days ago - karina
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 - 2 days ago - Djhakielafasolove
 - 3 days ago - Melbin
 - 4 days ago - Kazuka2domain
 - 4 days ago - Romeroi20
 - 4 days ago - karina
 - 4 days ago - karina (2)
 - 4 days ago - Filosofito12
 - 4 days ago - Alexguz
 - 4 days ago - RG
 - 4 days ago - karina
 - 7 weeks ago - Irfankhan19852000
 - 7 weeks ago - Melbin
 - 7 weeks ago - Renerodri
 - 7 weeks ago - Renerodri (2)
 - 7 weeks ago - Melbin
 - 7 weeks ago - Renerodri
 - 7 weeks ago - Hhh

The screenshot shows a Google Docs document titled 'karina' edited on March 23, 2007. The 'Revisions' menu is highlighted, and a list of authors is displayed with their names in colored boxes: karina (green), Djhakielafasolove (orange), Melbin (red), Kazuka2domain (yellow), Romeroi20 (blue), Filosofito12 (purple), Alexguz (pink), RG (grey), Irfankhan19852000 (magenta), Renerodri (light green), Hhh (dark grey), Suprechris (dark blue), and Ryromero (black). Below the list, the text 'Luck or Decisions...' is visible, followed by a paragraph discussing luck and decisions.

Our lives are made up of choices and luck. In my opinion a fifty percent of the people believe they are lucky, and the other fifty percent believe everything comes because of the choices they have made. In my opinion my life is made up by most of the choices that I have made and those that I haven't made yet. Luck also plays an important role in my life. Choices; we decide what to do, where, why or how. Luck; is when something happen without an explanation. In life I have to make decisions everyday but also sometimes I'm lucky to make the right decisions. Like Kahlil Gibran said once "We choose our joys and sorrows long before we experience them." What he meant was that we can make choices that might, and might not affect our future. So if we make choices that will affect our future, we are already choosing suffer in it. WE decide whether to have a good or bad future. Because luck also affects our future sometimes even if we decide to do certain things everything can change. In example if we decide to go to the park, the weather may change and everything will be ruined. In the book "The outsiders" Ponyboy was lucky to have two brothers who cared about him and also have a gang that was united. On the other hand Johnny was not that lucky because even though he had a family, his family did not care much about him.

TEACHERS can always see who revised the essay and at what time. It is listed under the “Revisions” Menu.

If **five** students work on the same project, each student’s name will be listed under revisions and you can see the work that student did on the project.

Each student’s revisions are in a different color--- automatically assigned by Docs

Students must list each other as ‘COLLABORATORS’ or they will not be able to work together on essays.

Two students collaborated on this essay

A bright light shines down on a stage as four Palo Alto teenagers hear themselves and their brand new instruments flow through a crisp sound system. **This truly is nirvana.**

—**"The San Jose Jazz festival was the first real major performance we've ever done," Harvey said**

—**Sophomore Kevin Harvey and his band, The Alex Eckstien Quartet, for lack of a better name, have been playing together since before they could play their respected instruments. While he spends most of his time at school and work, Harvey's real passion is guitar, and the band is his only real form of self-expression.**

—**"I would say that music pretty much dominates my life." Harvey exclaimed somewhat proudly**

—**From Miles Davis and Winton Marsales to De La Soul and Tupac, Harvey's life is run by music. Starting piano at 7 and guitar at 8, Harvey has been taking music lessons for the greater part of his life. His band, consisting of Harvey (guitar), Alex Eckstein (Saxophone), Dorcey Bass (Bass), and Ben Stillerman (Piano), have been playing small gigs at private parties and recently a few Hurricane Katrina benefits. Their main focus is playing and mastering scales, but Harvey says that the band does have a few original songs in the making.**

—**After only playing real gigs for only a year and a half, the band was overwhelmed when they were invited to play the Jazz Festival. They played a half hour set accompanied by fellow Palo Alto musicians Chris Hansen, Ken Elmore, and Jim Churnicof.**

—**"It was an experience of a lifetime. It was just so much fun." Harvey stated jovially about their performance.**

—**Harvey plans to pursue music at least through college and someday hopes to create a name for himself as a professional guitarist. For only Sophomores, Harvey and his band are not doing too bad, and shows like the Jazz Festival are don't hurt.**

—**"Music is what I want to do in life, I love playing." Harvey said contently**

"The San Jose Jazz festival was the first real major performance we have ever done," Harvey said

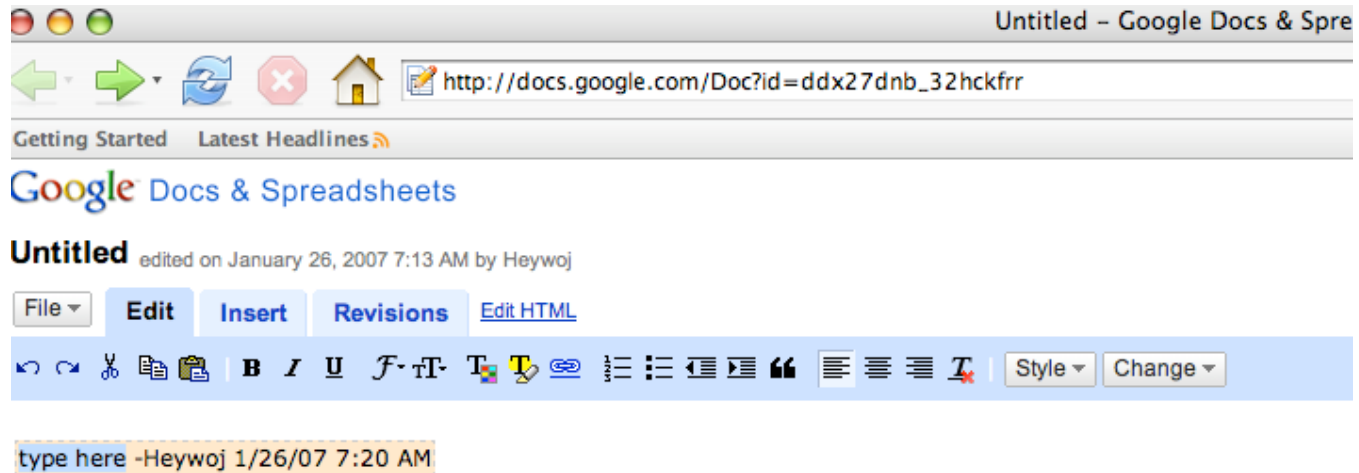
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Imagine moving across the world at the age of nine, leaving the world you knew behind and entering a new, unfamiliar place. Imagine the cultural shock, the language barrier, and the unfamiliar feeling of being away from home. Auster Chen came face-to-face with these challenges six years ago, when he moved from China to America. Fortunately Chen was able to adapt and he quickly began to exceed all expectations.

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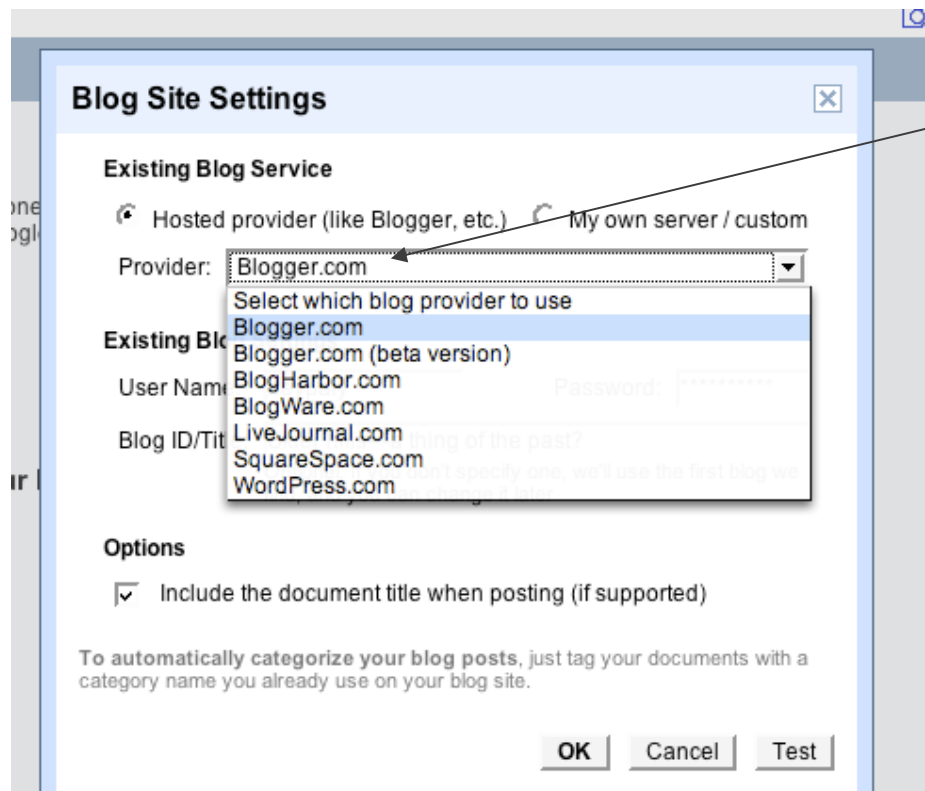
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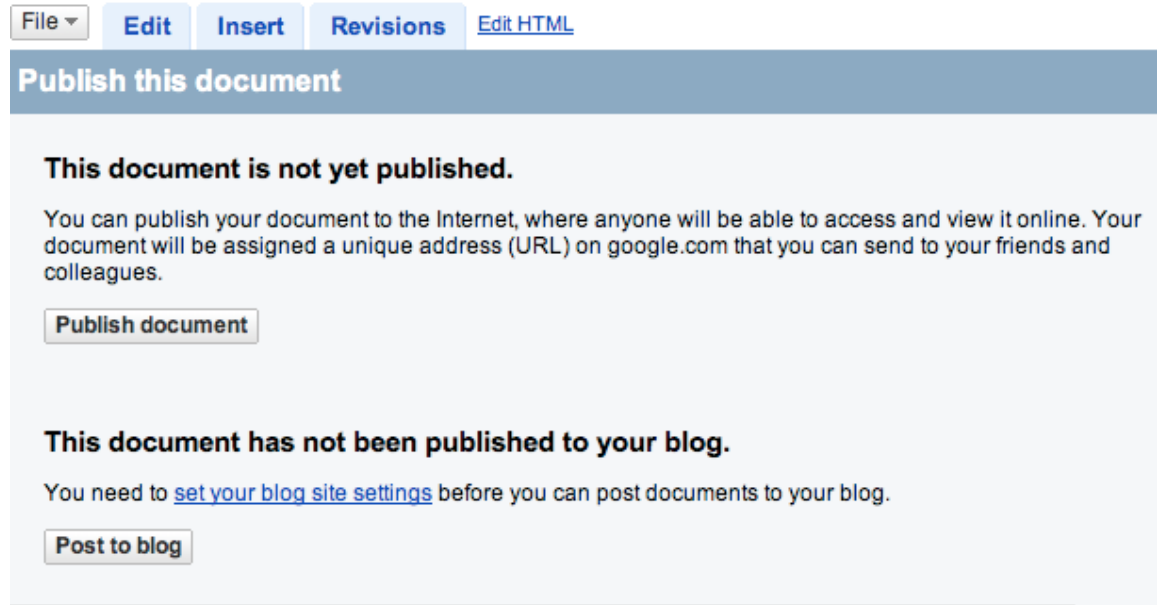
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People are rude.

Just as an example, today I got hit in the head with a locker door before PE , I got tripped by someone's foot in history class , I had the joy of overhearing one side of a fight over a cell phone, and I silently got stared down when I accidentally walked in someone's way (Sorry!). Either I am unusually klutzy today or it is obvious there are no manners anymore.

To try and counteract the heinous manners that seem embedded in all of us, I propose that Paly starts an etiquette class.

For years etiquette has been taught to young children before they become teenagers. These social skills were useful in 17th century society, and as far as I'm concerned, the same basics can apply to high school today.

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Perspective: Teen's tips for avoiding MySpace dorkiness

By Soumya Srinagesh
Published: August 1, 2006, 12:00 PM PDT
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Soumya Srinagesh
CNET intern

It's good to see that our congressmen have temporarily abandoned the grueling job of giving themselves raises in order to devote themselves wholeheartedly to Capitol Hill's true goal: making sure teenagers have as little fun as humanly possible.

During a House of Representatives hearing last week, politicians discussed the strengths and flaws of social-networking sites and are [now considering legislation that would restrict the use of these sites in public schools.](#)

As much as I love MySpace.com and would detest restrictions for its use, I will concede that social networks are only as strong as the people who

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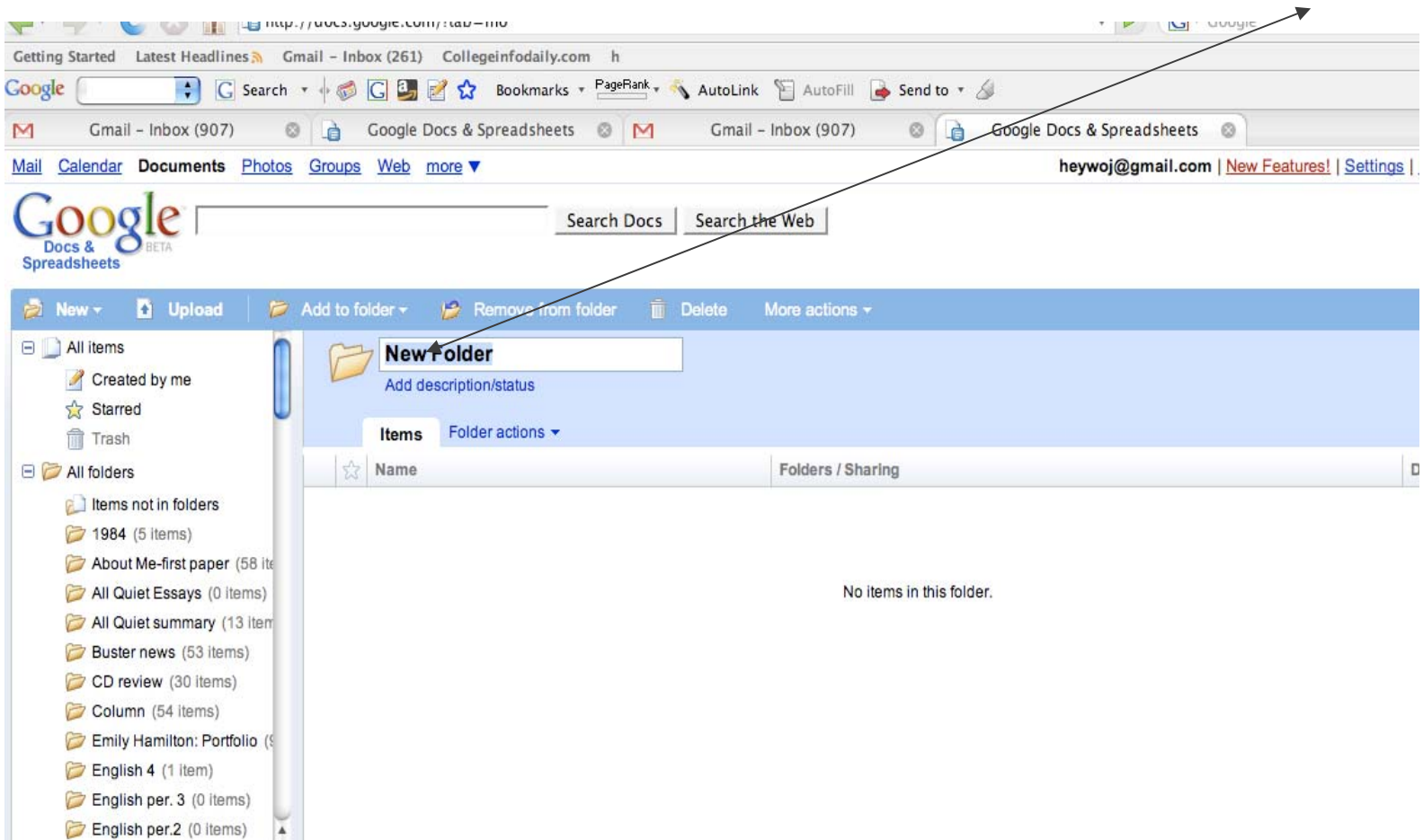
You can create a folder for each class

The screenshot shows the Google Docs interface. At the top, there are navigation links for Mail, Calendar, Documents, Photos, Groups, Web, and more. The user's email address, heywoj@gmail, is visible in the top right. Below the navigation is the Google logo and search bars for Docs and the Web. The main area shows a toolbar with options like New, Upload, Add to folder, Delete, and More actions. A dropdown menu is open under 'New', showing options for Document, Spreadsheet, and Folder. The 'Folder' option is highlighted. Below the toolbar is a list of documents and folders, organized by date (TODAY, YESTERDAY, EARLIER THIS MONTH). The list includes items like 'document 1', 'NECC', '2 Stewart, Greg CD Review', 'GCT Action Plan Tracker', '6Issakov, Igor:Product Review', '2, Mitchell, Megan: Feature', '4Ebert, Aaron: Animal Farm', 'presentation', 'statchartexercise', '6-4-07', '6-8-07', 'GTA NorCal 2006 contact info', 'ssgradea', and 'checkbook'. Each item has a checkbox, a star icon, and a document icon. The 'Folders / Sharing' column shows the folder name and the user who created it.

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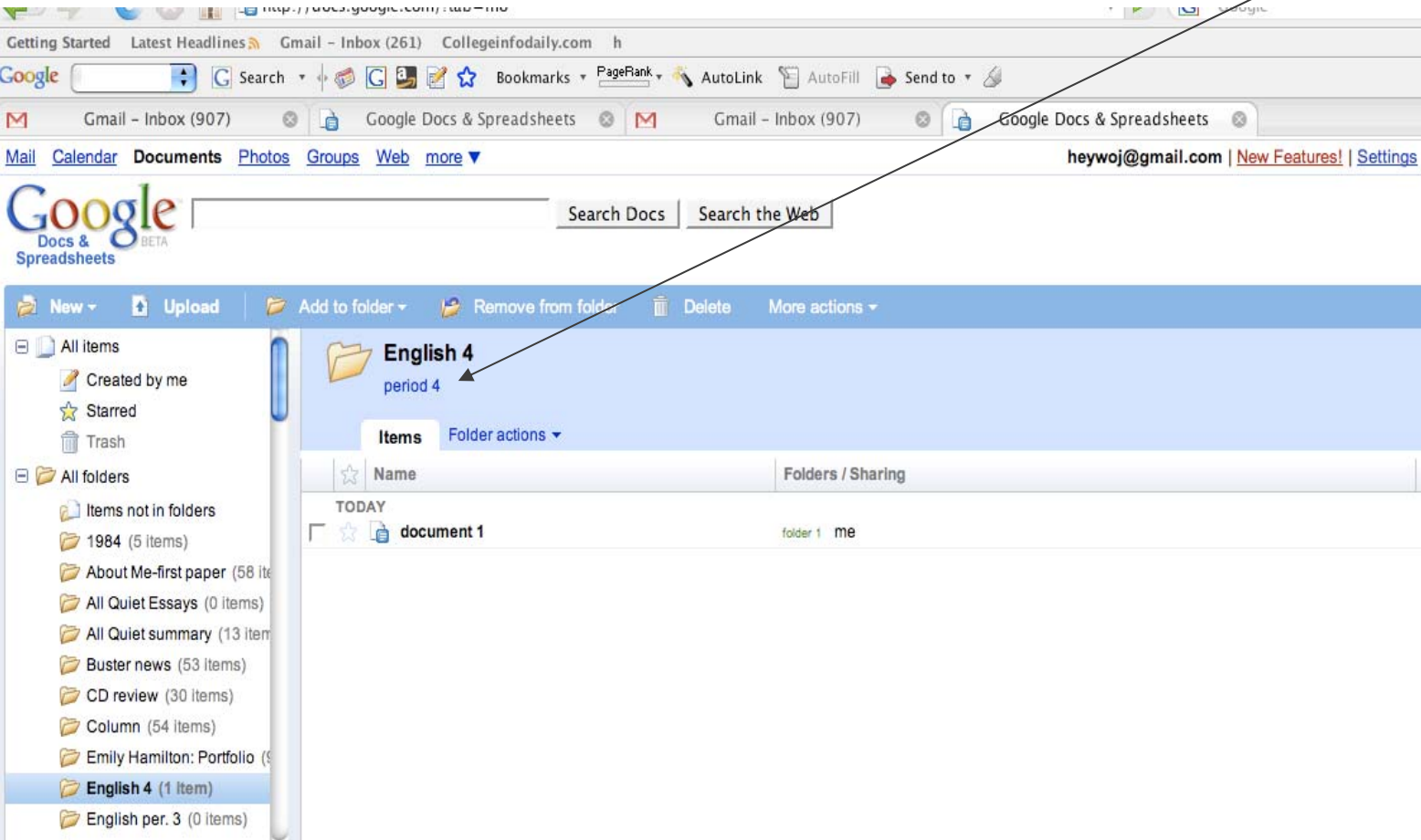
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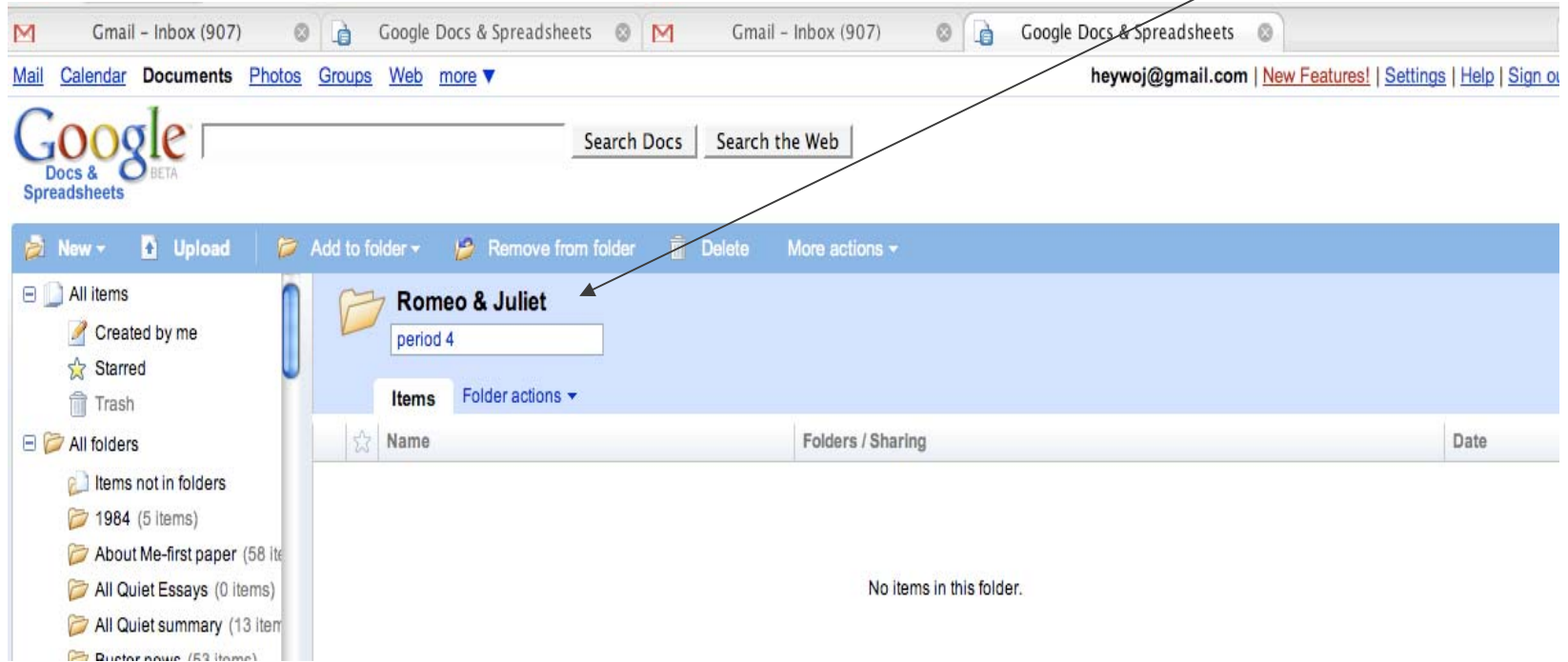


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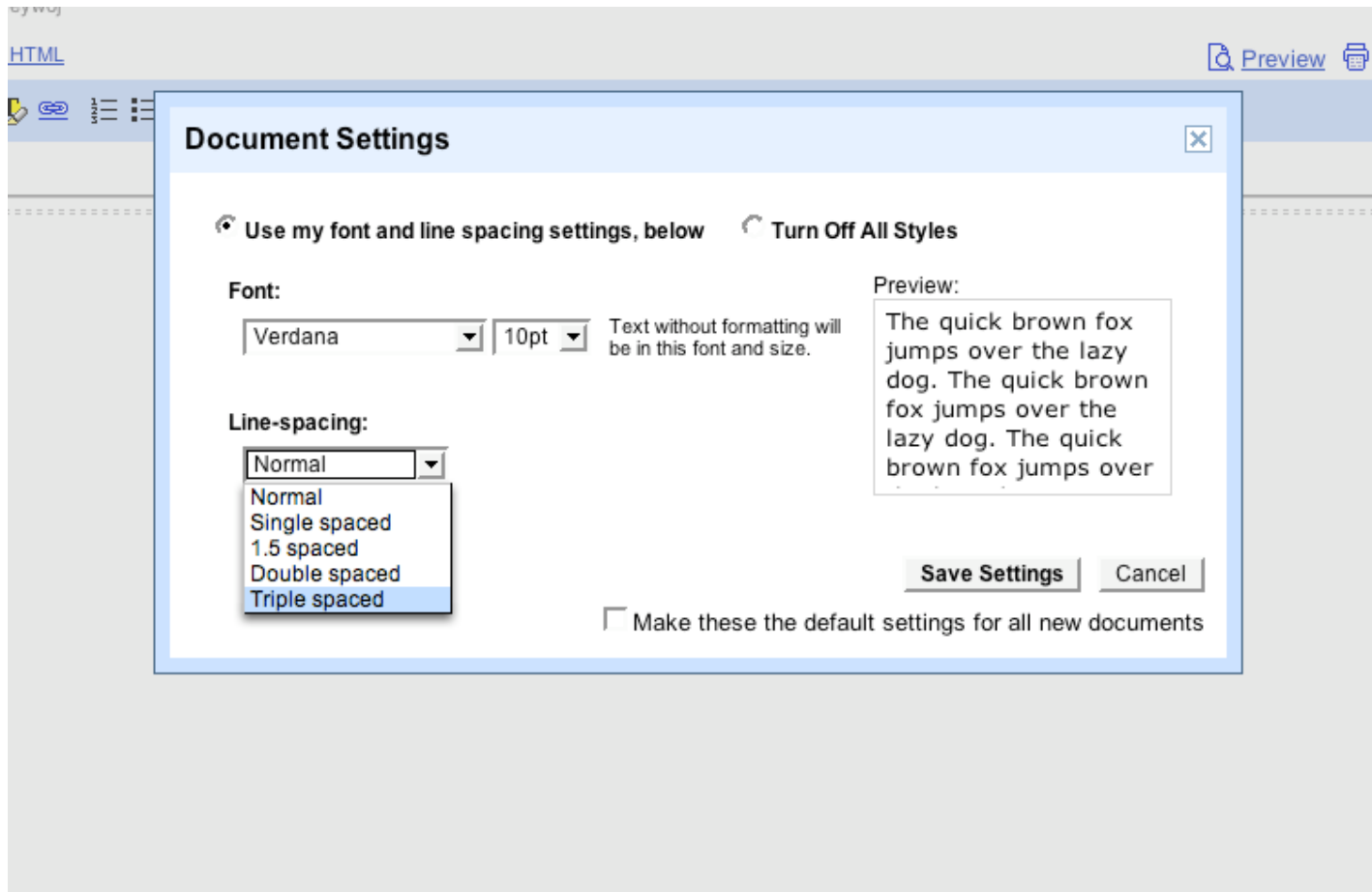
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You can save each essay folder within the class folder

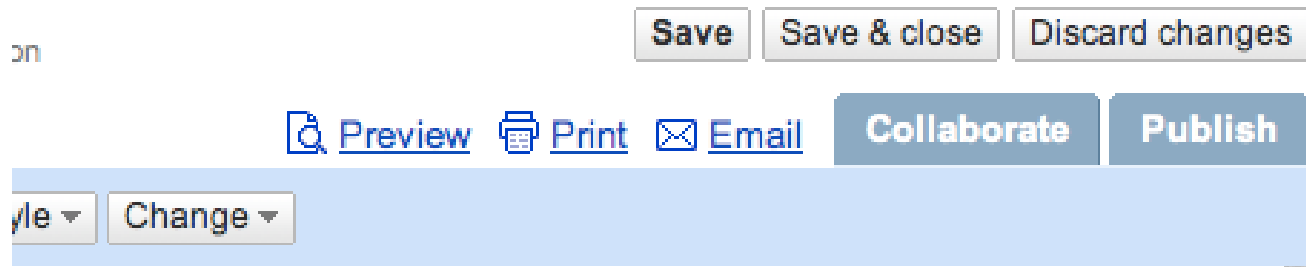


The previously available **sorting function** will return by the end of August. **Docs & Spreadsheets** team members are working hard to revise it and make it **more powerful and easier for teachers**


Students can change spacing and font



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Groups: the way to communicate with the class

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[Manage my memberships](#)
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Easy to set up a Group

Send students assignments, reminders, articles

heywoj@gmai



Create a group

- 1** Set up group **2** Add members

Name your group

Create a group email address

 @googlegroups.com

Group web address: <http://groups.google.com/group/>

Write a group description

Letters remaining: 300

This group may contain content which is only suitable for adults.

Choose an Access level

Public - Anyone can read the archives. Anyone can join, but only members can post



Example of Group Discussions

Any student in class can post

The screenshot shows a Google Groups interface for a group named "Campy 2006-7". At the top, there is a navigation bar with "Home" selected. Below this, a question is posed: "Do you want members of your group to be able to use the new Members List feature?". A "Discussions" section follows, indicating "10 of 214 messages" and a "view all" link. A list of discussion topics is shown, each with a link to the full thread and metadata about the author and replies. The topics include "stories and seeds", "InDesign teachers", "setting changed on theeds08...again", "theeds08 mailbox", "Resend stories", "InDesign Teachers", "Another problem---this one with baby", and "REMINDERS". The bottom of the screenshot shows a partial view of a table with the letter "ne" in the first column.

Campy 2006-7

Home

Do you want members of your group to be able to use the new Members List feature?

Discussions 10 of 214 messages [view all »](#)

- [stories and seeds](#)
By Danielle Kim - 3:45pm - 1 author - 0 replies
- [InDesign teachers](#)
By Esther Wojcicki - 8:37am - 1 author - 0 replies
- [setting changed on theeds08...again](#)
By Esther Wojcicki - May 17 - 1 author - 0 replies
- [theeds08 mailbox](#)
By Esther Wojcicki - May 16 - 1 author - 0 replies
- [Resend stories](#)
By daniellex...@gmail.com - May 15 - 1 author - 0 replies
- [InDesign Teachers](#)
By Esther Wojcicki - May 14 - 1 author - 0 replies
- [Another problem---this one with baby](#)
By Nina Gertsvolf - May 14 - 2 authors - 1 reply
- [REMINDERS](#)
By Peter Lee - May 14 - 1 author - 1 reply

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New Features for Gmail users

- ✓ Option to open the email attachment as a Google Document
- ✓ Option to open PowerPoint presentations as a slide show

Spreadsheet ideas

Ideas other than math

Grades

- Teachers keep track
- Students keep track

Expenses

- * on a trip
- * for a party
- * weekly expenses
- plan a trip including places to stay & prices
- plan for college expenses
- keep track of homework assignments
- keep track of class assignments
- writers: write down ideas
- friends' contact information
- colleagues contact information
- Track Group work info
- Mailing lists



AN EXAMPLE OF SPREADSHEETS

Checkbook exercise using Spreadsheets

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ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF SPREADSHEETS



A WAY TO KEEP GRADES

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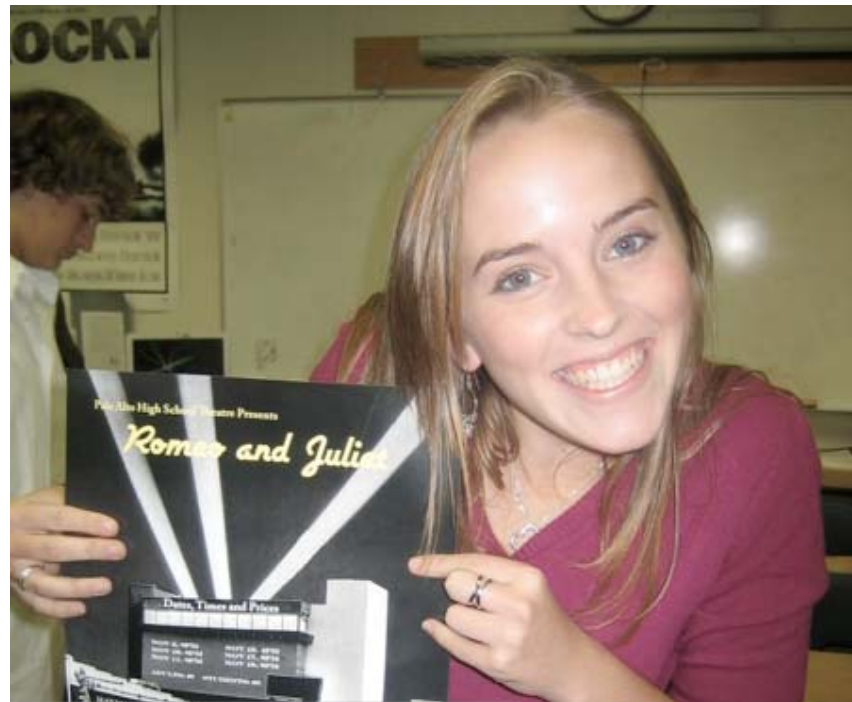
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Romeo and Juliet paper today.*

— Gracie and Maya, 9th graders

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It changes attitudes about writing!!



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