

# Day 1 with Xello

Follow this guide to set yourself up for a successful first day using Xello with your students. From a few simple steps to take before the first class to how to dive in with them on day one, you'll be prepared to start your students off on the right foot in Xello!

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## Before class

Schedule some time in advance of your first class to complete a few simple tasks. Give yourself some time to get familiar with Xello or reoriented if you've used Xello before.

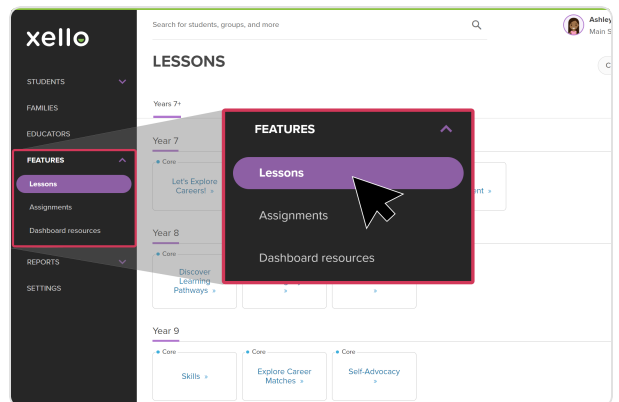
### Review your lesson sequence

Learn how to get the most out of Xello's lessons by checking out the lesson sequence set up by your Administrators to meet your region's goals and objectives. You'll know exactly what your students will do in Xello and ensure relevant activities are completed.

You can see which lessons are available in each year for your students in the **Lessons** section of your educator account in Xello.

To view the lesson sequence:

- From your educator account, click **Features** and select **Lessons**.
  - View which lessons are marked **Core** and will be given prominence on the student's dashboard.
  - Check out the lessons that have been assigned to multiple year groups.
  - Lessons marked **Inactive** have been deactivated and are not visible to students.



- Click on the first **Core lesson** to see details, such as learning objectives and estimated time to complete the activities in each lesson.



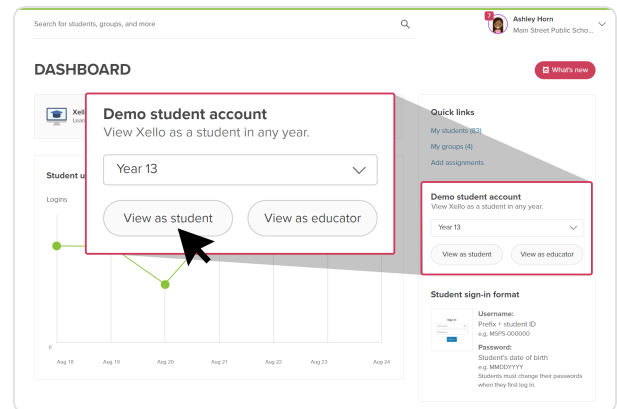
Check out the entire [List of Lessons](#) for a quick summary of all the built-in Xello **Lessons**! To support your students even further, check out the [Lesson resources for England](#) or [Lesson resources for Northern Ireland](#). These resources come with discussion prompts, vocabulary, and activities to support each Xello **Lesson**.

## Put yourself in the shoes of your students

Walk in your students' shoes by exploring a Xello **Lesson** from their perspective. Every educator account includes a demo student account that lets you freely explore the student side of the program. Complete a Xello **Lesson**, including any prerequisites required to “unlock” it. See what your students will see and feel more prepared and better equipped to support them in the classroom.

To explore your demo account as a student:

- 1 Log into Xello. If you don't know how to sign in, reach out to your Xello Administrator at your district.
- 2 The first page when you log in to Xello is your **Dashboard**.
- 3 Locate the **Demo student account** section and select the year you'd like to view.
  - If your account is associated with a region, you'll need to select a school first.
- 4 Click **View as student** to open the student experience in another tab.



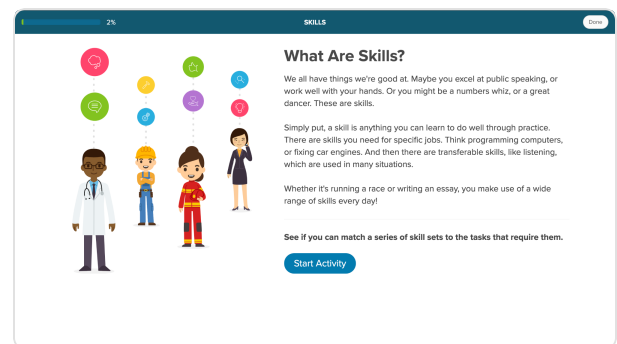
Your demo account does not affect your reports and is not accessible to other educators. So have fun!

Once in your student demo account, to access Xello **Lessons**:

- 1 From the student dashboard, click on the first lesson to get started.
- 2 Start experiencing the **Lesson** as one of your students would: make selections, learn about careers, provide reflection answers, but make sure you have the prerequisites done first!



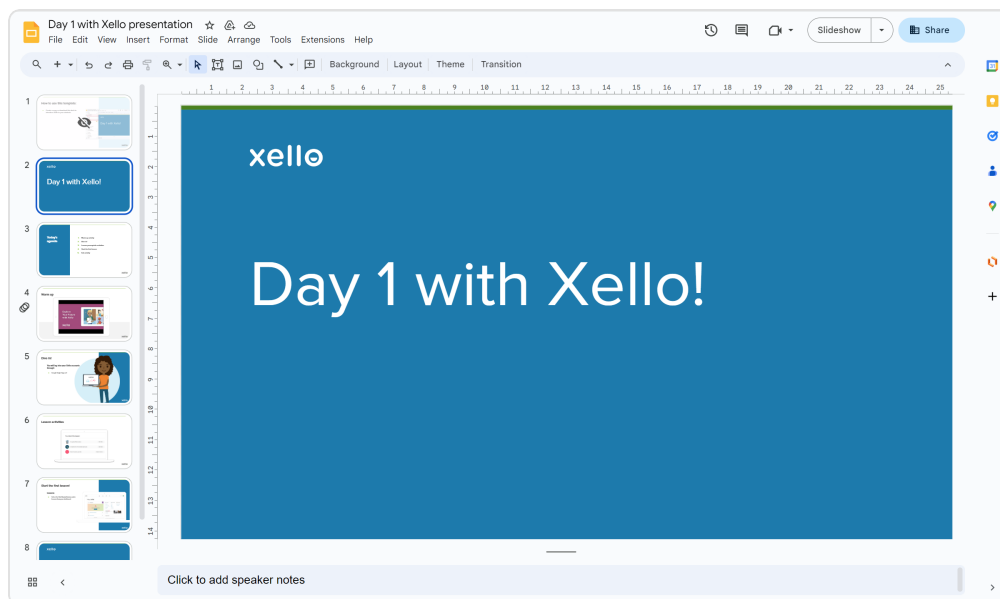
Don't know about the prerequisites for Lessons? Check out [Lesson prerequisites for students](#) to learn more.



## Customise the Day 1 with Xello presentation

Customise the **Day 1 with Xello** presentation template to use as a helpful teaching aid as you guide your students through their first day with Xello.

- Create a copy or download the [Day 1 with Xello](#) presentation to introduce Xello to your students.
- Refer to the speaker notes section of the presentation for things to keep in mind as you modify the template.



# Day 1

Follow the [Day 1 with Xello](#) presentation as you introduce or reacquaint your students with Xello. Get your students logged in and engaged in discussion and a video before diving into a lesson.

## Warm up activity

Using the [Day 1 with Xello](#) presentation, start with some reflection questions (see speaker notes for suggestions) and present the video.

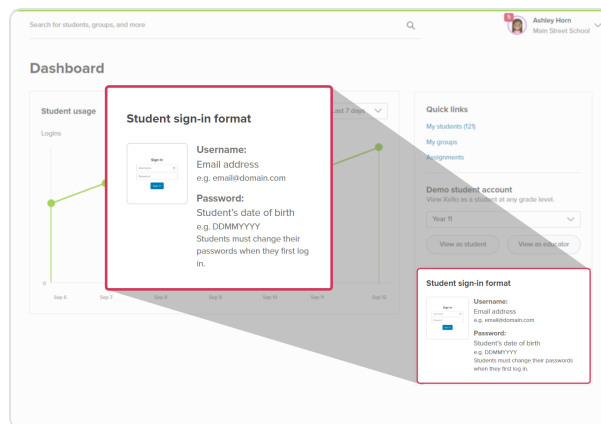
## Dive in with your students!

Help your students log into their Xello account. Then, project your screen as you model how to navigate to the first lesson (or prerequisite activities) using your demo student account.

### How to sign your students into their account

View what format your students use to sign in to Xello from your educator account. From your dashboard, the first page when you sign in to Xello, check the format under **Student sign-in format**.

If your school uses SSO, students securely sign in to Xello from the SSO platform. If your school doesn't use SSO, students sign in at <https://login.xello.co.uk/> using the format found on your educator dashboard.



## Students complete prerequisite activities

Remember, some Xello **Lessons** require certain activities to be completed before they “unlock”. Students should complete these activities, or reassess their selections (if completed previously) to ensure they still reflect their current preferences.

Follow the **Day 1 with Xello** presentation providing time for students to complete or update prerequisite activities if required.

## Students start their first lesson in Xello

While projecting your demo student account, model where students access lessons on their dashboard.

After logging on, students will be brought to their **Dashboard** where they'll select **Get started** on their first lesson.

The screenshot shows the Xello dashboard for a student named Ashley. The dashboard is titled "Hey Ashley!" and features a navigation bar with icons for Home, About Me, Explore, and Plans. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- All lessons:** A large card showing a progress indicator of 33% and a "Get started" button. Below this are two smaller cards: "Study Skills and Habits" (37%) and "Getting Experience" (100%).
- Year 10:** A purple badge indicating the student's current year level.
- About Me:** A section with a checklist of completed items: Matchmaker, Personality Style, Mission complete, Learning Style, and Skills Lab.
- Explore Options:** A section with a checklist of available options: Careers, Colleges & universities, Courses & apprenticeships, and Saved options.
- Portfolios:** A section with a "New" badge and a "View portfolios" button.
- Assignments:** A section with a "New" badge and an assignment titled "Optics Lab Assignment" by Ashley Horn.

## Exit activity

At the end of the lesson, return to the **Day 1 with Xello** presentation to have students revisit and share their answers to the discussion questions you posed at the beginning of class.