Creating Flipcharts
Fun with Color!

Using Color to Hide Text

Using color can be an easy way to make your flipchart interactive. In the example below, the statements on the right only appear to be typed in black text. However, move the statements to the white area on the right, and you can see that there is also red text on each statement, except it was hidden by the red background.

![Before and After Images]

How do you do this?

1. Using the shapes icon, draw a red rectangle to contain your statements.
2. Use the text tool to create separate text boxes for each statement. Type the sentence in black. Type more information in red directly after the first sentence (such as “correct” or “try again”).
3. Position the text boxes over the red rectangle. The red text seems to disappear.
4. Move the text box off of the red rectangle to reveal the red text.

Using the Fill Tool to Color Text or Objects

1. After you type text on the page with the text tool , use the fill tool to change the color of each word quickly.
2. To do this, click the fill tool and make sure the tip of the paint drip is touching one of the letters in the word you want to change. Click the letter. It changes to the color you selected.
3. Educational applications: Have students color code a paragraph by parts of speech, main ideas, details, or keywords. This can also be used with numbers in math!

The cat ran up the tree.
4. The same concept can be applied to objects, like shapes, lines, or annotations that you add to the page.

**Educational applications:** Color all of the shapes that are not polygons red.