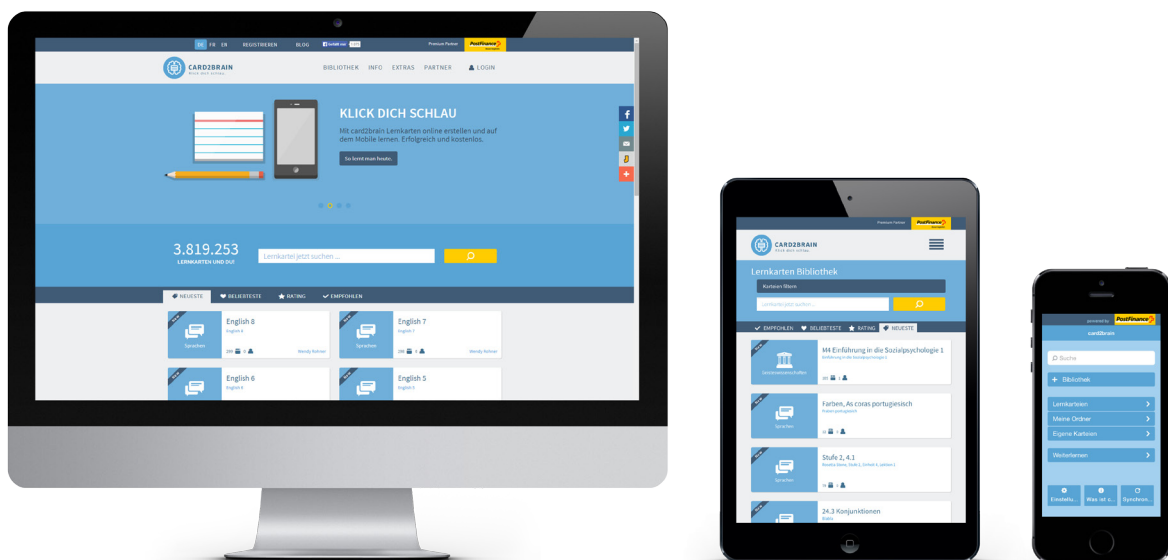




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Guidelines for teachers

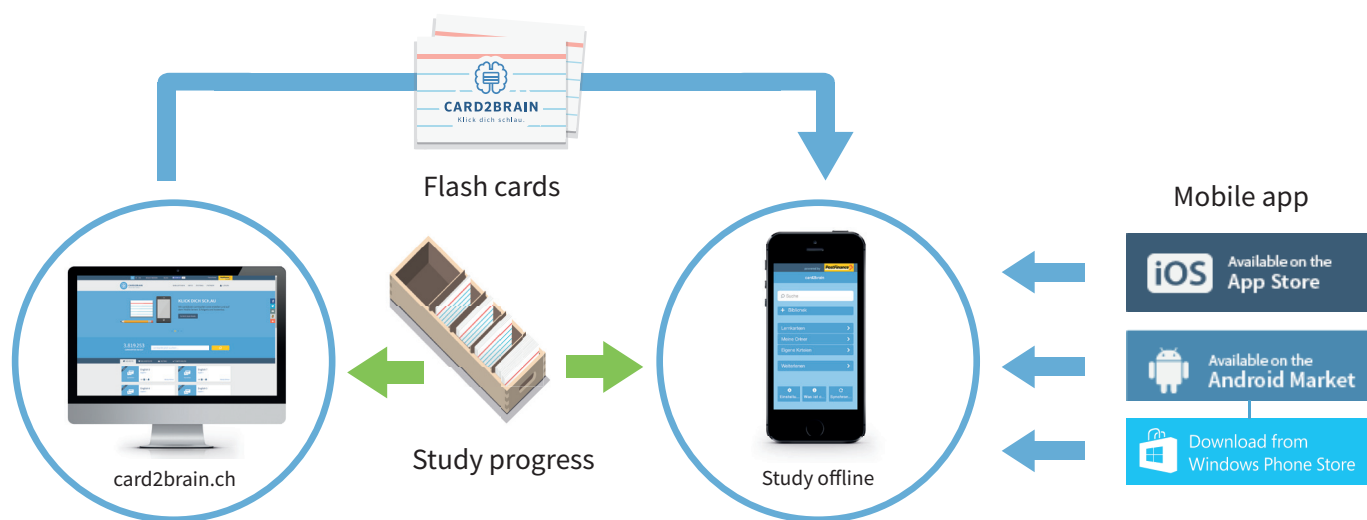


Tips and introduction to using card2brain in schools

Simple ideas for lessons and suggestions for creating useful, educational flashcards

Digital flashcards for teaching

card2brain.ch is the biggest online platform for electronic flashcards in Switzerland. It is designed in such a way that it can also be used perfectly on mobile devices. Pupils and teachers alike can create cross-channel flashcards, learn them and access other users' public flashcards.

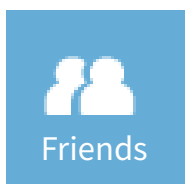


Systematic learning



card2brain is based on the famous five file system. This method guarantees lasting success by systematically repeating what you have learned. card2brain is accessible on mobile devices via the mobile app and phone browsers, supporting the concept of regular repetition.

Cooperative learning



Friends

Learning groups can be created easily on card2brain.ch. Several people can then work on the same flashcards and comment on other people's cards. The teacher can see who created, changed or commented on which flashcard.

Mobile learning



With the mobile app for iOS; Android and Windows Phone 8, you can easily download flashcards from the online platform onto your smartphone or tablet and learn even whilst offline. This means you can use travel and waiting times effectively with the efficient learning units, which can be resaved at any time.

Multi-faceted competency training



Students practise writing and phrasing when creating flashcards. They learn to ask questions which are relevant to a text and have to think about which of the three types of reply best fits with their question. Reading and spelling are promoted during learning.

Ideas for lessons

card2brain is perfectly suited to learning a foreign language as well as to memorizing definitions, names of plants or facts about countries. A card set can be designed to help you learn the meaning of words or practise your reading comprehension, but can also serve to expand your vocabulary or improve your grammar. The flashcards can be provided by the teacher as additional teaching aids or created in collaboration with the students.

Create a vocabulary card set together

1. The teacher sets up a card set with a title and description.
2. The teacher adds the students as co-authors.
3. The students receive a text containing unknown words.
4. The class is divided into groups and the text split up into sections.
5. Each group translates a section of the text using a dictionary.
6. Each group adds the new words to the card set given to the students by the teacher.
7. The card set with all the vocabulary gathered is discussed and corrected in the lesson.
8. The teacher locks the card set so that the students can no longer make any changes.
9. The students practise the new words with the finished card set and prepare to read the whole text through.
10. The students read the whole text through and then answer a series of comprehension questions which are prepared and distributed by the teacher as a card set.

Convert questions into flashcards

1. All students create an individual card set on a current lesson topic.
2. The students read a chapter in their teaching aid.
3. Instead of answering the questions on paper at the end of each chapter, the questions and answers are entered into the card set.
4. The teacher distributes and discusses the correct answers during the lesson.
5. The students make the necessary changes and use the finished file as exam preparation.

Develop questions together

1. The teacher creates a card set with a title and description.
2. The teacher adds the students as co-authors.
3. The students read a text and come up with a predetermined number of questions.
4. The students enter the questions with the corresponding answers in the card set shared by the teacher.
5. The students comment on one another's flashcards.
6. The teacher goes over the flashcards and comments in the lesson. Together with the students, the file is corrected, expanded upon and revised in such a way that the end product doesn't contain any identical or similar cards.
7. The teacher locks the card set so that the students can no longer make any changes.
8. The students use the finished file as exam preparation.

Make questions more visual by using images

The teacher creates a file for the students in which they have to recognize or sort images. For example pictures about...

- vocabulary and phrases
- the names of plants or animals
- historical events or figures, and many more

Turn questions into gap-fill exercises

The teacher creates a file for the students in which they have to fill the gaps with the right word. This method is best suited to practising...

- verb forms
- prepositions
- adjective endings
- comparatives
- foreign words, technical terminology and definitions

...or to follow-up exercises after watching a film together.

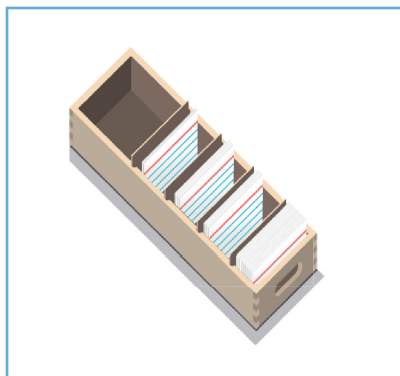
Tips

Students particularly like...

- card sets with simple mental arithmetic exercises
- card sets based on the “Recognize flags” example
- Geo-quizzes (questions about countries, capital cities, rivers, etc.)
- card sets based on the “Adjectives and their opposites” example

When editing and developing control questions, reading the text can be replaced, for example, by visiting a museum or by using film transcripts. This makes a change and creates new challenges for the students.

The five file system

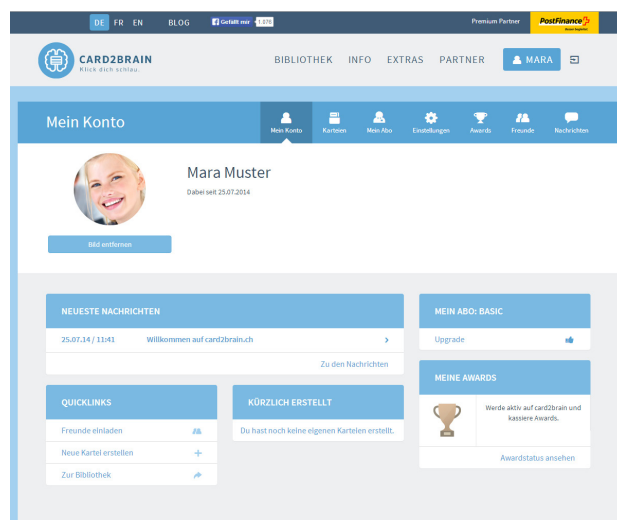


The students start with all their flashcards in the first file. Questions answered correctly always move along one file. Questions answered incorrectly are always returned to the first file.

In the first round, you learn all the flashcards in the first file. All the flashcards in files further back are retrieved less frequently. The flashcards in the second file are asked every second round, those in the third file are asked every third round and so on. If all the cards are in the fifth file, the students have learned the material.

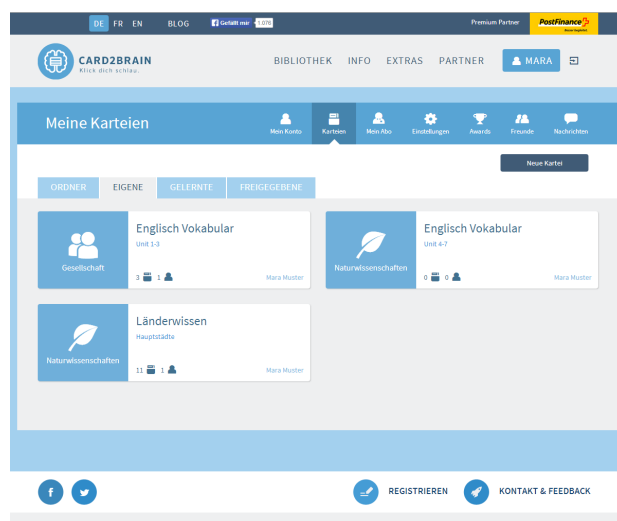
Register and create a card set

1. Go to card2brain.ch, click on “Register” at the top of the list, select “Register for free” and fill in all the fields.



2. card2brain sends a confirmation e-mail to the given e-mail address. Registration is completed by clicking on the link. You are then taken to your personal profile page.

3. In order to create a card set, select the menu heading “Sets of flashcards”, click “New set”, fill in all the fields and finish by clicking on “Save”. After saving a form will appear where you can create questions and answers. There are three different types of answer to choose from.



4. All the card sets that you have created yourself are listed under “My own”. If you want to add a card to an existing set, simply click on the desired card set and select “Card editor” from the menu on the left.

The three types of answer

Frage Text

B I U [List Icons] [Link Icon] [Image Icon] [Table Icon] [Quote Icon] [Code Icon] [Undo Icon] [Redo Icon]

lernen (Infinitiv)

Bild hinzufügen Keine Angabe > Lizenzauswahl

Antworttyp Exakt Text Multiple Choice

apprendre

Bild hinzufügen Keine Angabe > Lizenzauswahl

Exact answer: The student has to enter the answer exactly as you created it.
Use: Learning vocabulary (spelling), foreign words and historical facts, mental arithmetic.

Frage Text

B I U [List Icons] [Link Icon] [Image Icon] [Table Icon] [Quote Icon] [Code Icon] [Undo Icon] [Redo Icon]

Beschreibe in einem Satz das Proporzwahlverfahren.

Bild hinzufügen Keine Angabe > Lizenzauswahl

Antworttyp Exakt Text Multiple Choice

In einem Proporzwahlverfahren werden die Sitze im Verhältnis zu den erzielten Parteistimmen verteilt.

Speichern mit: <Ctrl> + <Shift> + <Enter>

Text answer: When learning, students must compare their answers with a sample answer and then decide themselves if the answer is correct or wrong.
Use: Open questions, definitions.

Frage Text

B I U [List Icons] [Link Icon] [Image Icon] [Table Icon] [Quote Icon] [Code Icon] [Undo Icon] [Redo Icon]

Murten liegt im Kanton...

Bild hinzufügen Keine Angabe > Lizenzauswahl

Antworttyp Exakt Text Multiple Choice

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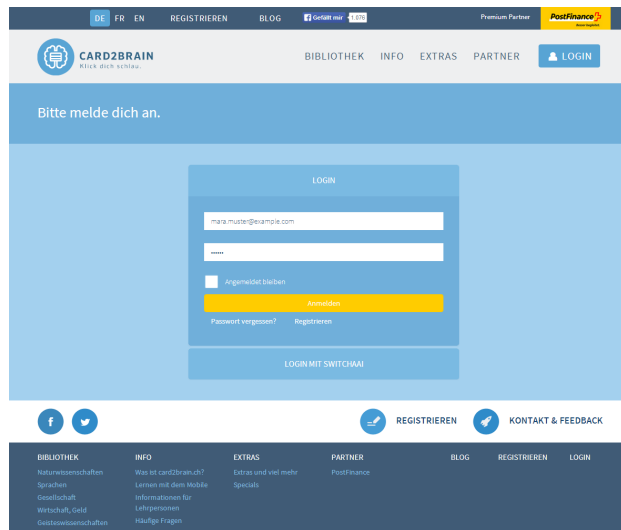
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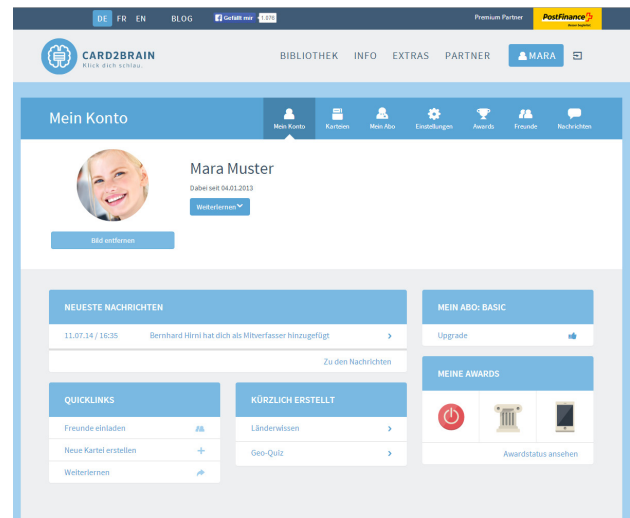
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Multiple choice: Up to five different possible answers can be entered.
Use: Determine whether answers are “true” or “false”, suitable for all scenarios.

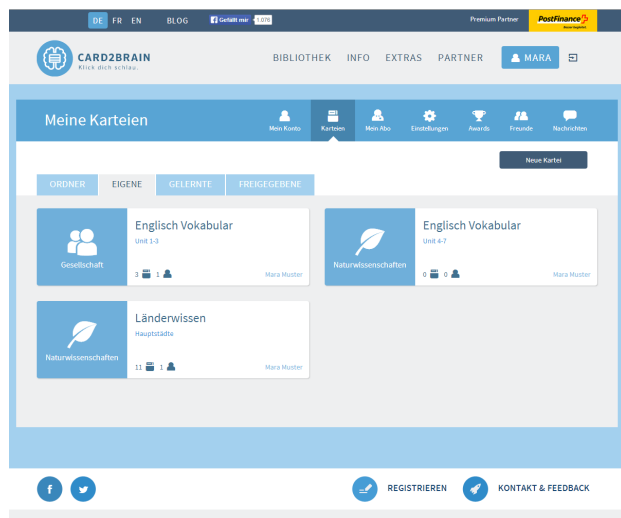
Provide a card set for learning purposes



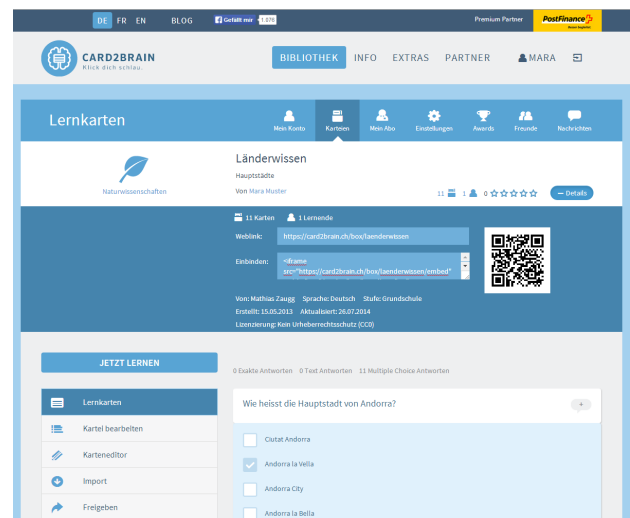
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2. After logging in, select “Set of flashcards” from the menu.

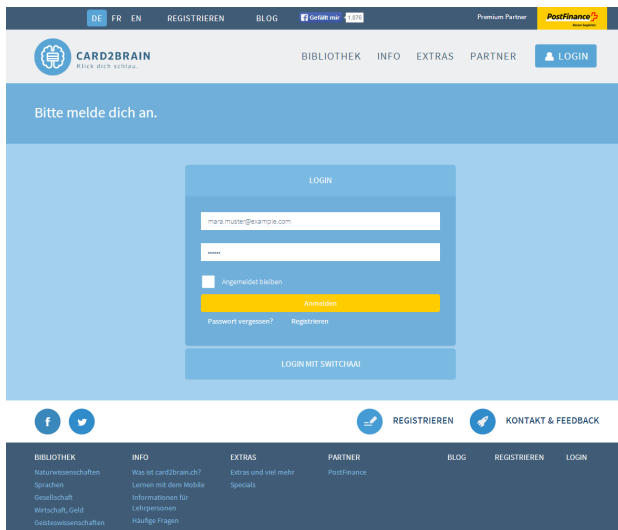


3. All the card sets that you have created yourself are listed under “My own”. If you want to make a card set accessible to several people or an entire class for learning purposes, simply click on the relevant card set.

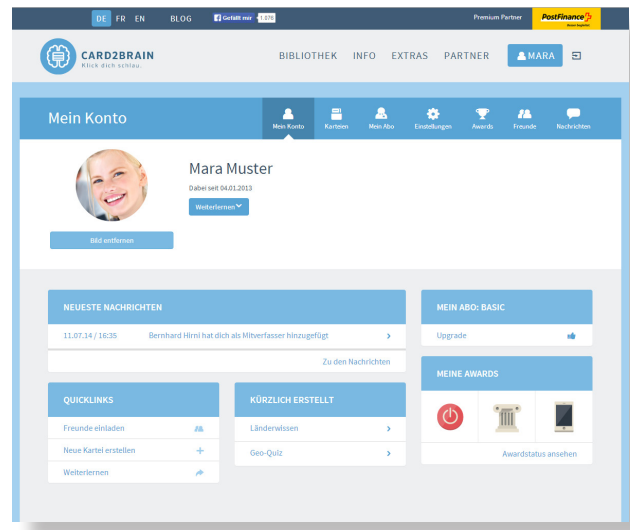


4. Click on “Details” and give out the link as described below:
 - as a URL,
 - as a QR code or
 - als iframe in einer Webseite eingebunden

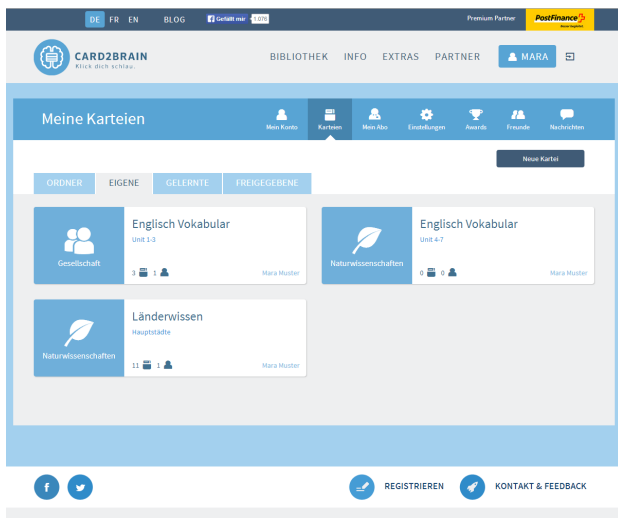
Approve a card set for co-authors



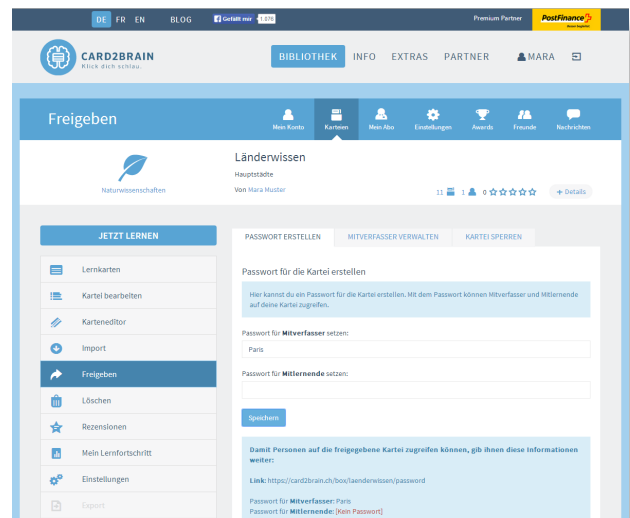
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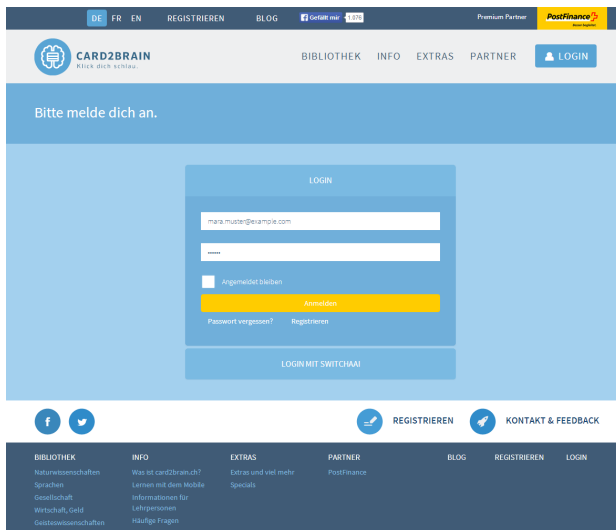


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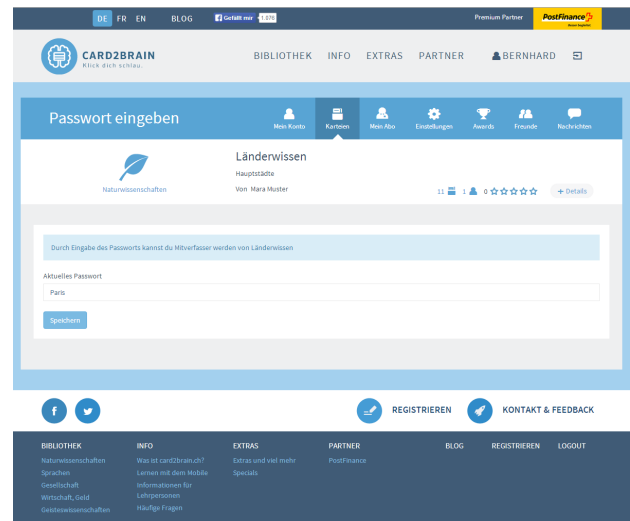


4. In the menu on the left click on “Share”, set a “Password for co-authors” and finish by clicking on “Save”. A direct link to the card set will appear in the blue box below. This can be passed on, along with the password, to the desired co-author.

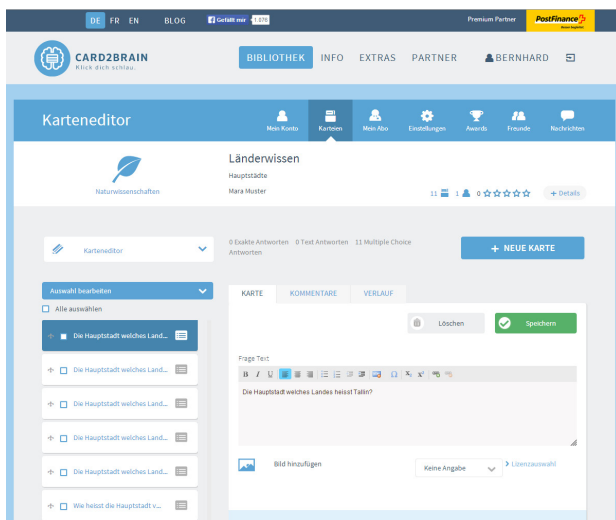
Work on a flashcard as a co-author



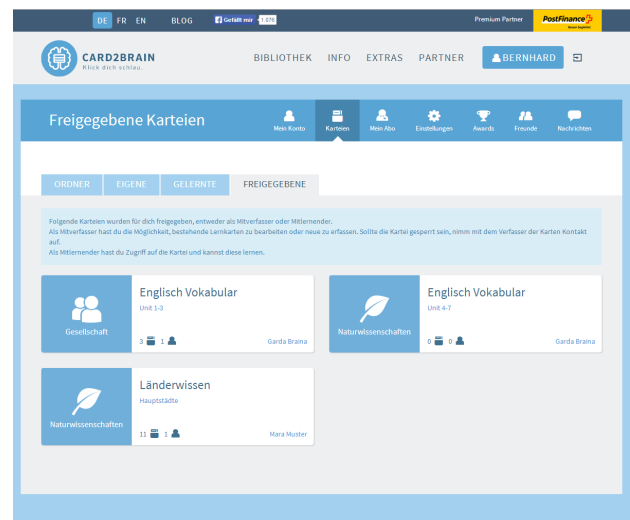
1. Go to card2brain.ch, click “Login” and sign in.



2. Enter the link you have received in your Internet browser, type in the password in the relevant field and click on “Save”.



3. Click on “New flashcard” in the card editor and start entering the details.

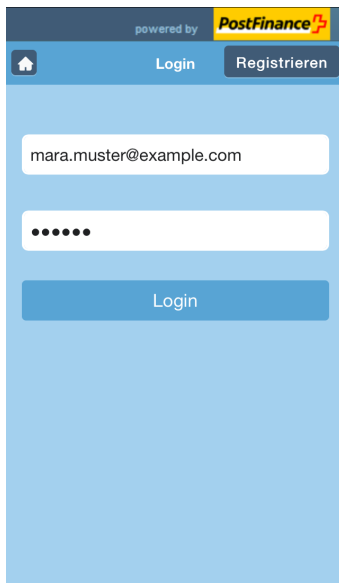


4. Card sets which you edit as a co-author are listed under “Shared”.

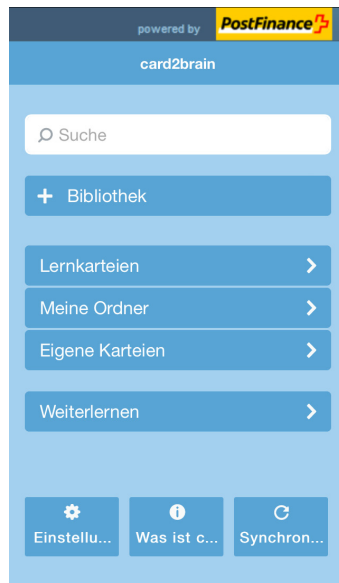
Everyone who has received a link and password to this card set from the creator can work on the card set at the same time. The creator (e.g. a teacher) can...

- see who added or edited which flashcards under “Progress”
- comment on the flashcards
- remove co-authors
- lock the card set upon completion so that the co-authors can no longer make any changes

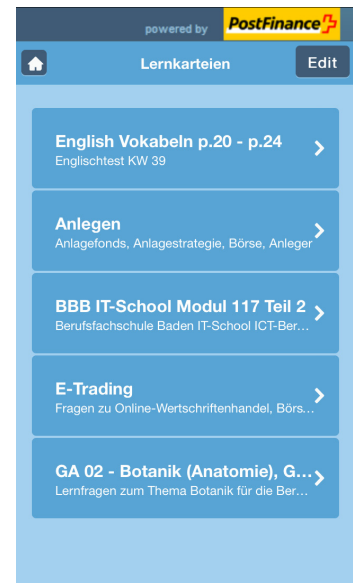
Learn with the mobile app



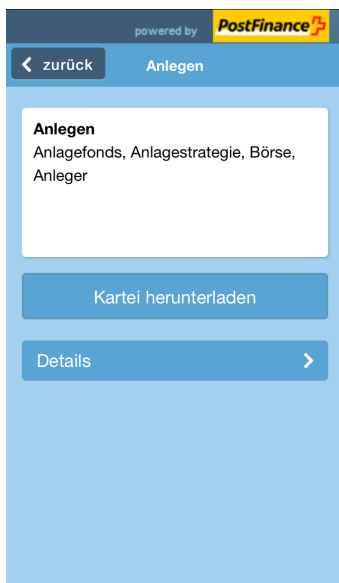
1. Download the app, log in and sync.



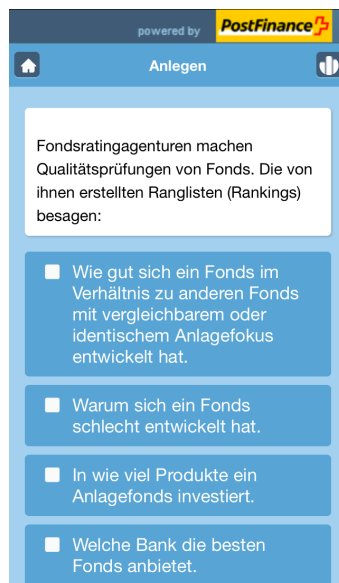
2. Search for card sets.



3. Select.



4. Download.



5. Learn.



6. Show your progress.

General tips and notes

- All public card sets with more than six flashcards are automatically visible in the library and can be used, commented on and rated by all users.
- A good card set will contain at least 30 flashcards.
- Card sets in the category “Languages” can also be learned in the opposite direction, i.e. from the foreign language into your mother tongue.
- The sets can be sorted into files by subject, learning material, classes etc. so that the teacher always has a good overview.
- With the copy and move functions you can merge entire card sets or copy parts of them.
- A card2brain premium version is available for CHF 66/year which is equipped with practical additional features for lessons.

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- The premium subscription contains a series of additional features and special services.
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 - Learn without any advertising
 - Receive support within 24 hours
- Private card sets offer...
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 - the option of hiding a card set from all other users until it is completely finished
 - the option of making sensitive content (e.g. old exam questions) available for only a limited time
 - effective protection against copyright infringements
- Thanks to the print function, students who aren't as comfortable with new technology or who don't possess the necessary devices can also benefit from the flashcards.

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