

# Developing Web-Based Testing Software for LSP. The Pustulka Project.

Aleksandra Łuczak















## Developing software

- automatizing work (creating and checking tests)
- saving time
- creating teaching materials
- creating database
- giving teachers flexibility
- developing media competence
- building a community of practice (collaboration)



# IN QUEST OF IDEAL WEB ASSESSMENT SOFTWARE FOR LANGUAGES

Moodle
Hot Potatoes
Class Marker
Edmodo
Google Forms
Catalytics



"To produce good CALT programs a test developer must have the following areas of expertise:

- a) knowledge of language and language proficiency
- b) expertise in testing
- c) insight into testing programs, existing programs and programs that are to be developed."

Noijons (2001: 42)

Noijons J., 2001, Testing computer assisted language testing: towards a checklist for CALT, [in:] CALICO Journal, [Online] Vol. 12, No. 1, pp.37-58.

https://journals.equinoxpub.com/index.php/CALICO/article/view/23424/19429



## **PUSTULKA**

- uses MySQL database,
- is hosted on Linux server (Debian), and
- has been written in .NET Core





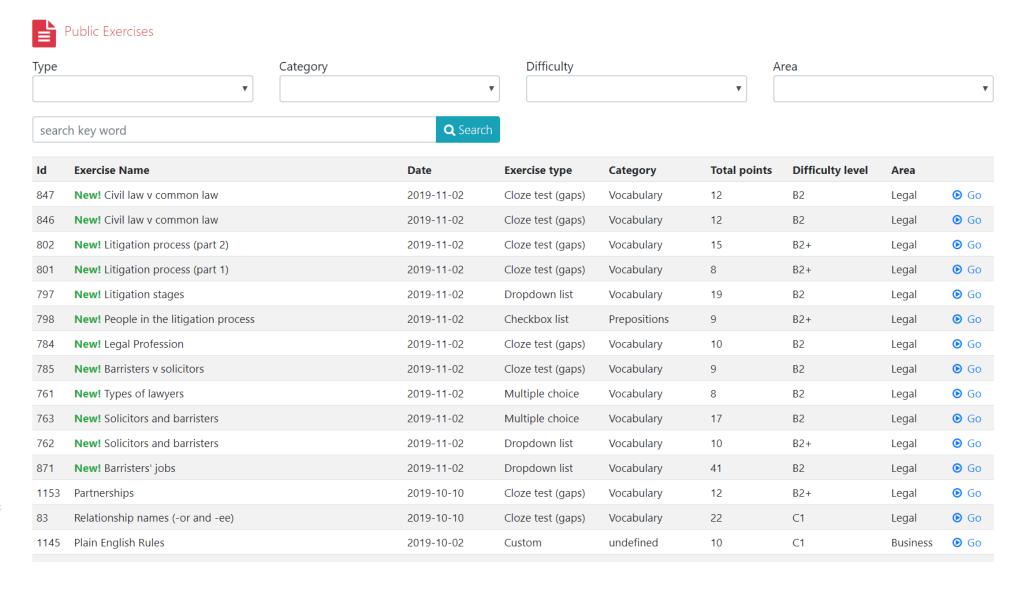


pustulka.edu.pl

#### **E-learning component of PUSTULKA**

PUSTULKA has a wide collection of over 250 **public exercises** for students to e-learn with them.

#### pustulka.edu.pl/PublicExercise/PublicExercisesList





To see (and do) a sample test, go to pustulka.edu.pl and use the test code you can see below.

## Your test code:

5773



With PUSTULKA
you can create a
range of exercises:

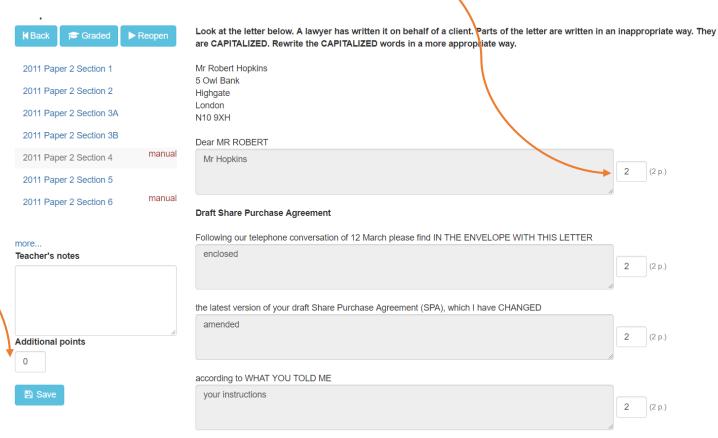
multiple choice drop-down list cloze/gapped text gapped text with hints short answer checkbox list long answer true/false listening



Short and long answer exercises require manual grading.

You just type points in the boxes on the right.

Teachers can award additional points for minor spelling mistakes or correct answers not included in the key.





pustulka.edu.pl

# Creating your exercises with PUSTULKA is technophobe/teacher friendly

The next three slides show what your exercise and answers must look like before you transfer them to PUSTULKA with just a few clicks.

Watch the YT videos to see how to create exercises.

For more detailed instructions go to our Manual: <a href="mailto:pustulka.edu.pl/Help.pdf">pustulka.edu.pl/Help.pdf</a>



# 1. Drop-down list or multiple choice

youtu.be/MJoFU-zjjhs

Complete the sentences with the missing words. Choose the correct word for each space.

#### FROM THE ARBITRATION CLAUSE OF A COMMERCIAL CONTRACT

If at any time any question, dispute or difference whatsoever shall arise between the Purchaser and the Company in relation to or in connection with the Contract, either party may give the other notice [\*in;of;by;under;to] writing of the existence of such question, dispute or difference, and the same shall be referred [in;of;by;under;\*to] the arbitration of a person to be mutually agreed upon, or failing agreement within 30 days [in;\*of;by;under;to] receipt of such notice, some person appointed [in;of;\*by;under;to] the President for the time being of the Institute of Electrical Engineers of Great Britain. Any arbitration [in;of;by;\*under;to] this Clause shall be held in London, England.



# 2. Cloze text (gaps)

youtu.be/U7mFZZnf5S4

Fill in the gaps in the text below. Use only one word in each space.

#### OCCUPIER'S LIABILITY AND FORESEEABLE RISK

Occupier's liability in tort refers to the duty of care (1) **[OWed]** by a landowner to anyone who enters onto his or her land. The definition of 'land' includes a person's home, with the result that householders may be held [liable] for any harm that comes to lawful or even unlawful visitors to their property. An unlawful visitor onto land is uninvited and is therefore himself or herself guilty of a breach of the law of tort in that they are on someone else's land without permission. This is known as the tort of (2) **[trespass]**. Despite this, the landowner's duty of care will still apply.

The legal principles which apply in occupier's liability have developed under the common law rather than statute, meaning

that the law in this area is largely found in several key (3) [COURT; precedent] cases through which new

principles of law are established and wherein judges have set (4) **[forth;Out]** the legal reasoning behind their decisions in creating the new law.

pustulka.edu.pl

## 3. Short and long answers

youtu.be/y7crGzCMtoA

Read the following extract. Some of the words or phrases are CAPITALIZED. Explain the meaning of these CAPITALIZED words or phrases. You can write one word in plain English or a short explanation.

#### From a contract for the sale of goods

- 6. Modifications
- (a) The cost of any modification in the design of the Goods requested by the Customer after the date of the Company's acceptance of an Order shall, (\*) IN THE EVENT THAT
- such modification is accepted by the Company, be (1) BORNE [2] by the Customer.



Since December 2017
we have created
over 990 exercises
and over 178 tests
which have been assigned over 251 times
Students have been tested 1711 times.

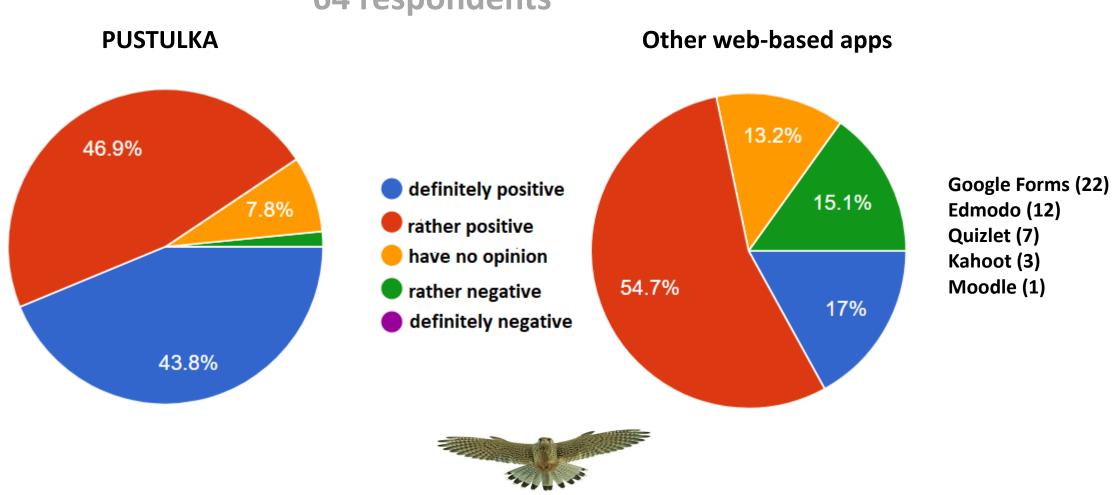


- 1. Developing software
  - automatizing work, saving time, creating teaching materials
- 2. Pursuing professional development
  - carrying out research, presenting at conferences, running trainings, publishing papers
- 3. Developing digital competence
  - my own, other teachers', students'
- 4. Developing community
  - learning to share expertise/materials, managing joint projects
- 5. Introducing innovations into your classroom



# Students' satisfaction questionnaire proved that PUSTULKA is a very user-friendly application

64 respondents



pustulka.edu.pl

#### what PUSTULKA users liked about it

- easy to use (83.6%)
- possibility of viewing one's answers after submitting the test (75.4%)
- partial test results were visible immediately after submission (76.6%)
- did not require registration (62.5%)
- clear user interface (56.3%)
- final result sent quickly by the teacher (43.8)
- exercises were public and could be used for individual learning (21.9%)
- ecological aspect (we don't use paper)
- answers were saved automatically
- the risk of losing their work when the internet or equipment fail practically does not exist.



### Analysis shows that the test mode does not influence the test result

PPT = pen & paper test

Test	Legal Profession		Banking		Contract Law		Business Law	
Commencement of studies	Test mode	Average score	Test mode	Average score	Test mode	Average score	Test mode	Average score
2014	$PPT^{1}(20)^{2}$	80%	PPT (17)	76%	PPT (16)	69%	Class Marker (15)	73%
2015	PPT (26)	75%	Class Marker (25)	66%	PPT (24)	60%	PPT (18)	69%
2016	PPT (20)	69%	PPT (17)	73%	PPT (16)	57%	Pustulka (9)	78%
2017	Google Forms (20)	69%	Pustulka (22)	69%	Pustulka (20)	68%	Pustulka (11)	71%
2018	Pustulka (23)	73%	Pustulka (16)	67%	Pustulka (19)	69%		



#### What teachers like about PUSTULKA

- the logo with a kestrel (the bird),
- simple layout,
- export to WORD that makes sense
- no case (or white space) sensitivity
- easy login and access for students (no account, passwords),
- possibility to create gapped/cloze exercises,
- time saved on checking tests, and
- having influence on PUSTULKA functionality



#### What I saw at the end of the road

enthusiasm about saving the time eagerness to draw from the existing pool of exercises limited digital competence fear of technology reluctance to share jealousy of their know-how no give, just take attitude no sharing, no caring



To set up a <u>free trial account</u> or for more information go to: <u>pustulka.edu.pl/Home/Help</u>

or contact us

Aleksandra Łuczak info@pustulka.edu.pl +48 600 330 139



# I share because I care...

# bit.ly/luczak-lessons