

Quick checklist for EdTech Decisions

Now you have been through this process, you may find it helpful to keep this checklist to hand whenever you are considering a new EdTech solution.

Step 1: Identify your needs

Make sure you have asked yourself these questions before you look at potential EdTech solutions:

- ☐ What is the problem I am trying to address (and how have I identified this)?
- ☐ Who will be using the product (and what are their needs)?
- ☐ What factors do I need to consider around implementation?
- ☐ What would stop me from committing to an EdTech product?
- ☐ How will I know if a product has been successful?
- ☐ What are the technical / safety / data or other requirements I need to be aware of?

Step 2: Find out about potential products

Pose these questions to EdTech companies to help determine product suitability:

What educational need or problem does your product address and how does it do this?	How long will it take to implement the product and how easy it is to use?	What evidence do you have to support your claims and how strong is this evidence?
Do you have evidence to show your product working in settings like mine?	How does your product support accessibility and users with SEND?	How safe is your product to use? Does it use AI and what data does it collect from users?

Or if you only have time to ask one question, try this....

If I was only using your product in my classroom - for 15 minutes a day - what outcome would I expect to see and what evidence do you have to support this?

Step 3: Critically evaluate the evidence

Before you make a decision about a specific product, use our critical evaluation tool to appraise the evidence-base and consider implications for your setting.



Scan the QR code to download a printable version of the EdTech Evidence Critical Evaluation Template and other resources linked to this evaluation tool.