**Plug-ins and Widgets Review (2018)**

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| **What Widgets and Plug-ins did you chose?** | Scheduled Content Plug-in | Forums Plugin | Polldaddy Polls & Ratings Plug-in |
| **What are there strengths?** | -Set-up the date, time and how long would the post stay open (can be minutes - years).  -When content is unavailable, choose to display a custom message in its place.  -Make it repeat monthly, weekly, or one specific time. | -Set-up forums on blogs for discussing topics.  -Make comments and reply to each other.  -After discussion, set the forum for view only, so people can look back without making anymore comments.  -Place under categories and pages.  -Place multiple topics in one forum and set them to pin them to the top even when a new topic is added. | -Set-up polls in posts, blog and pages to show live ratings in the blog.  -Customize the look with different themes from Polldaddy or make your own.  - Place them in the sidebar of the blog |
| **Extension installed after plug-in activation?** | Yes (in the post tool bar, the clock icon) | Yes, (in the dashboard – “Forum”) | Yes, (a button beside “add media” |
| **What are there Weakness?** | Can’t set for different dates, only repeated dates. | Need to create the forum first than add topics for discussion, and paste a “short code” to embed into pages. | -Need to set-up account on Polldaddy first to view results of polls. |
| **Can these programs be used in a classroom setting to enhance student learning? Would you use it and/or recommend it?** | Yes  -Set-up a limited time for how long a post can remain open.  - It can be used as a security feature for specific content.  -Could be used as a contest or race of some sort.  -Or make sure that everyone done the assignment. (Maybe combination with polls). | Yes  - Its great for class room discussions, either done in class or at home, then view the next day.  - Forums can be set to view only and can be used as discussion notes to look back on.  -Use for whoever visits the blog. | Yes  -Use polls to gather different opinions about topics.  -Use to gather opinions for assignments or for other work. |

A close up of a sign

Description generated with very high confidence Scheduled Content Forums Polldaddy Polls & Ratings

