

What is Slido?

Slido is a tool you can use during live talks to ask the audience questions and let them ask you questions. We use it in Education Speaker (“Boobette”) talks to:

- Run polls (quick questions for the audience).
- Let the audience ask questions anonymously (great for shy young people).
- (Optional) Get the audience involved on interactive slides.

Slido polls and the Q&A function help us learn how impactful our sessions are, and what questions young people ask, helping us improve our talks.

👉 Some places, like schools, might not allow phones. If that’s the case, use the ‘No Slido’ version of the presentation. You’ll find this information in the event details on Timecounts.

What’s in this guide?

- Before your practice talk: setting up your presentation for Slido
- Before every talk: joining a Slido event
- During every talk: using Slido polls
- After every talk: using Slido Q&A

Before your **practice** talk

How to set up your presentation for Slido

Each volunteer has **their own code** for Slido (e.g. **#BOOBETTELAURA**) which your audience will use to join your Slido poll. You’ll get your code when your practice talk is booked.

Add your code to **slides 7, 41, and 43** in the Slido version of the presentation. During the talk, you’ll guide the audience to join the polls using the script.

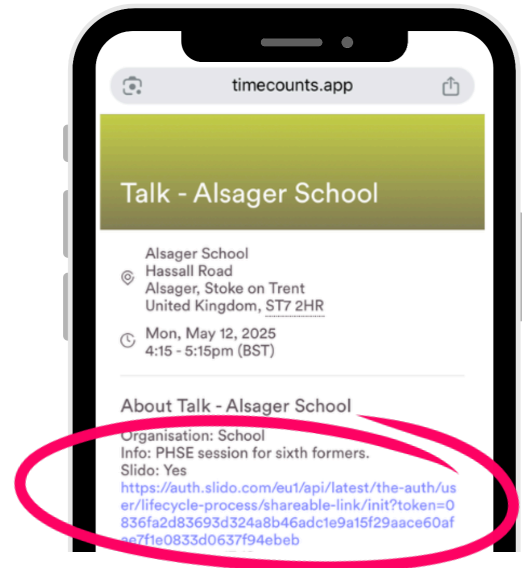
Using a handheld device (like your **phone or tablet**) to control Slido and run the polls works best.



Before every talk

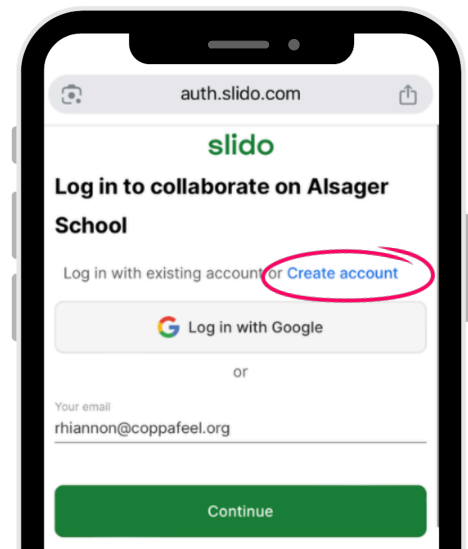
How to set up Slido

1. Log into Timecounts on your phone.
2. Go to **'My schedule'**, then tap the talk you're giving.
3. Tap **'Show details'**, then **'View event page'**.
4. If the venue allows Slido, it will say **'Slido: Yes'** and show a link.
5. Tap the link to open Slido.



If it's your first time using Slido...

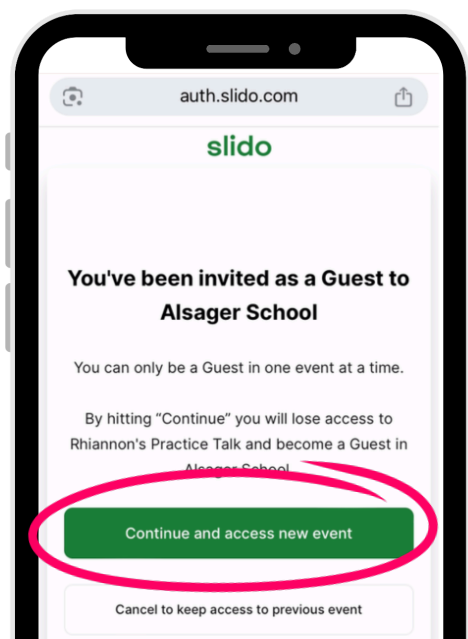
6. **Create a Slido account** using the blue link.
7. **Save your username and password**—you'll need them every time you use Slido.
8. After logging in, you'll land on the Slido event page.



If you've used Slido before...

9. **Log in** with your email and password.
10. You'll see: **'Continue and access new event'**.
11. Tap this to join your new event.

👉 You can only be linked to **one event at a time**, so you'll lose access to your old events (sorry!).



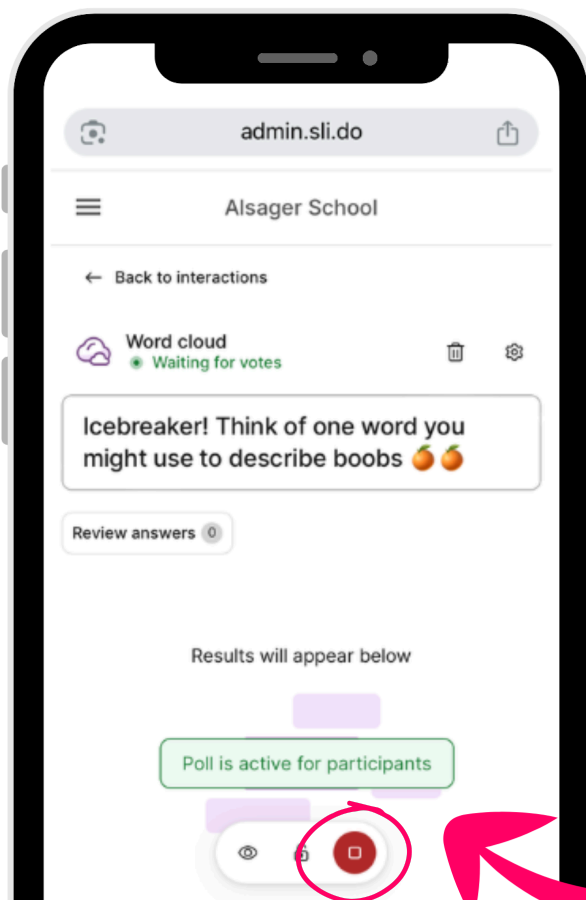
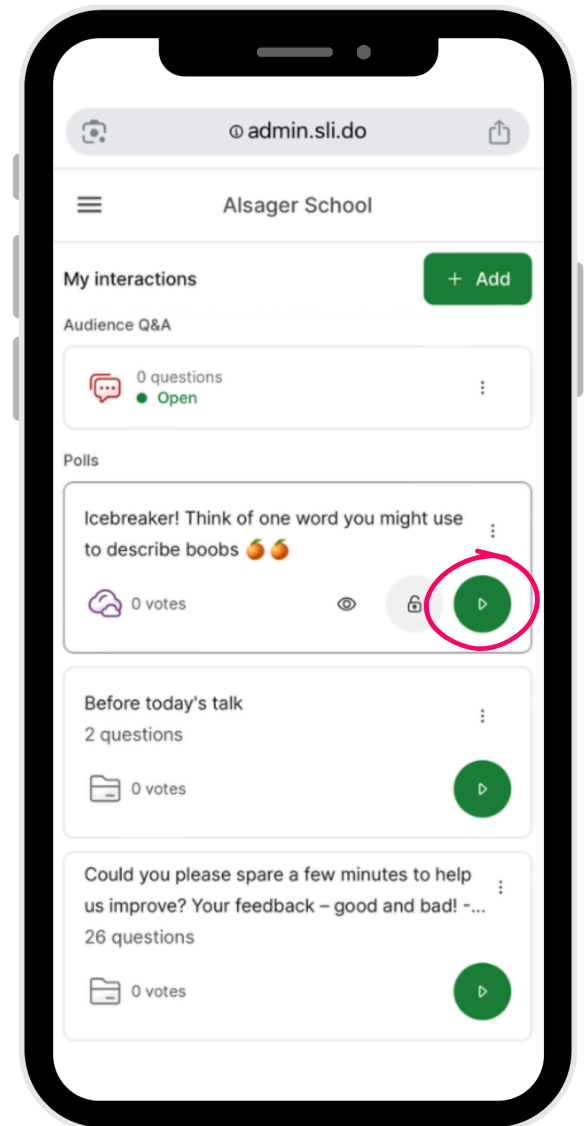
Once you're logged in:

- You'll land on the **event page**.
- At the top, you'll see the **Q&A section**, then a list of **three polls**.

1. Icebreaker
2. Before today's talk
3. Survey poll (*"Could you please spare a few minutes..."*)

To start the first poll (icebreaker):

12. Tap the **green play button** next to the first poll.
13. You'll go to that poll's page.
14. When people start answering, their responses will appear.
15. The **green button turns red**. This means the poll is live.



This is an active poll

During every talk

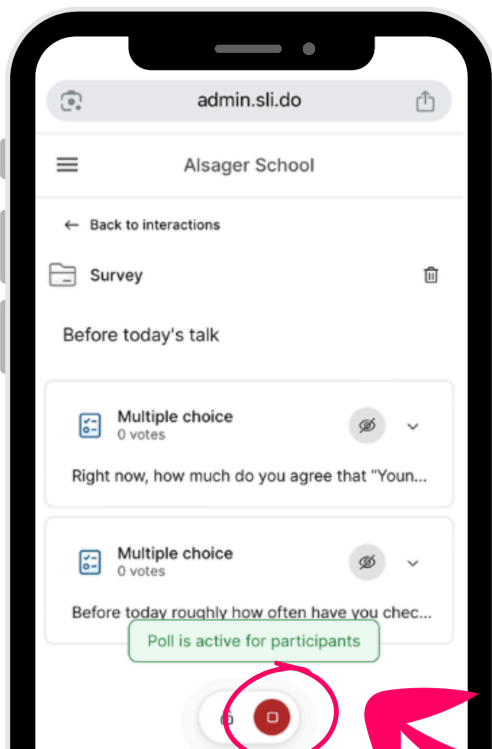
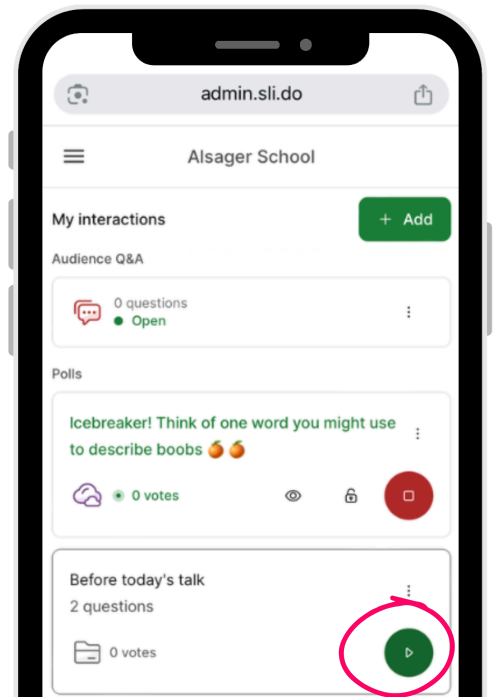
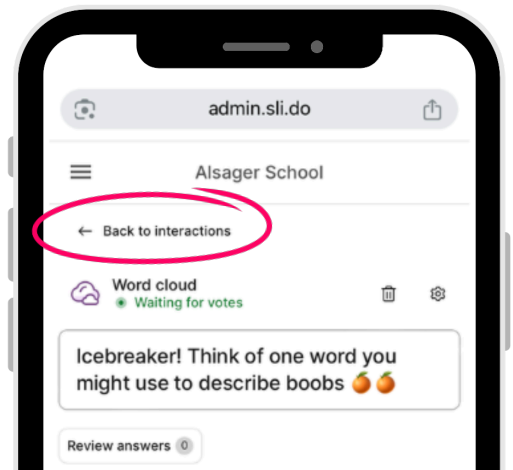
Using Slido polling

To move to the next poll:

16. Tap '**Back to interactions**'.
17. You'll return to the poll list.
18. Tap the **green play button** on the **next poll** to start it.
19. You'll go to that poll's page. The green button turns red to show the poll is live.

Repeat this for the **final survey poll** on Slide 43.

💡 You can keep the survey open after your talk so people have more time to complete it.



The second poll is now active 🙌

After every talk

Using Slido Q&A

Slido has a **Q&A (question and answer) feature** where audience members can send in **anonymous questions**. This is great for anyone who might feel shy or uncomfortable speaking out loud.

When to use Slido Q&A

Using Q&A is optional. In schools and colleges, you can also ask students to raise their hands or chat to you afterwards. But Q&A is especially helpful for:

- **Shy audiences** – anonymity makes it easier for them to ask questions and interact with you.
- **Online talks** – classrooms often join from one device, and audio can be tricky. Q&A helps students ask questions directly and works well for interactive bits (like sending in myths about breast cancer).

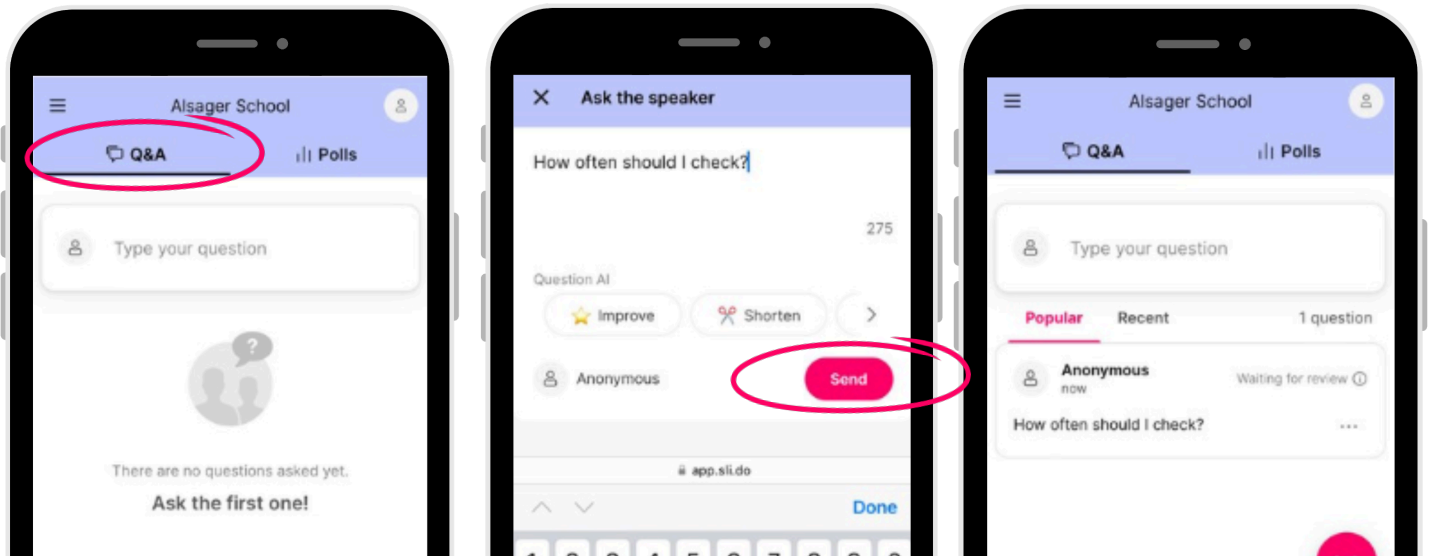
Things to remember

- **You don't have to answer every question.** Just pick the ones you're confident with and that suit CoppaFeel!'s health messaging.
- Ignore anything silly or off-topic.
- Ask students to send in questions during the talk, then use the 2-minute timer on Slide 43 to look through what they've sent in, and answer them at the end.
- Slido has a spam filter that can require you to approve questions. **Any questions with the word 'boobs' are caught in that filter.** For those questions:
 - Only **you** can see flagged questions.
 - You can choose to **approve** a question to make it visible on your audience's phones.
- **Important: Do not use the 'reply' button in Slido.**
 - Replying in Slido can send a **private message** to the young person. This breaks our **safeguarding policy**.
 - Only answer questions **out loud**.

How your audience uses Q&A

The script guides you through helping your audience use the Q&A function. They:

20. Tap the **'Q&A'** tab
21. Type their question
22. Tap **'send'**. They can all see the questions they've submitted, even if they're flagged for review.

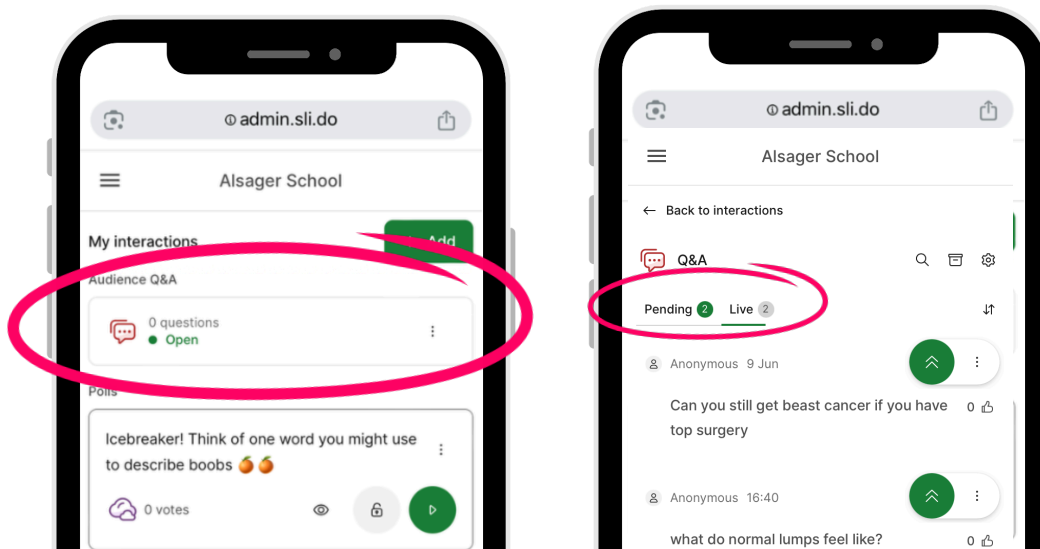


How you use Q&A

23. Tap **'Audience Q&A'**

You'll see a list of questions that your audience has submitted. There are two tabs:

- **Live** - This is where most questions appear. These are visible to everyone.
- **Pending** - This is where Slido puts questions it thinks might be spam (for example if they include words like "boobs"). These are only visible to you. If no questions have been flagged, there won't be a Pending tab.



24. Check the 'Pending' tab.

Some real questions might end up here by mistake.

- Tap the Pending tab.
- If a question looks OK, tap the **green tick** to approve it. It will move to the Live tab and become visible to your audience.

25. Choose which questions to answer

While the 2-minute timer runs on Slide 43, read through the Live tab. Pick the questions you want to answer.

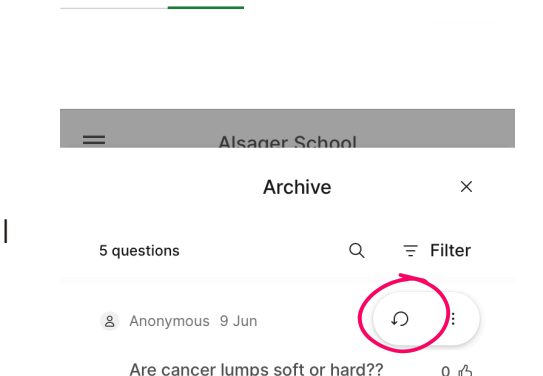
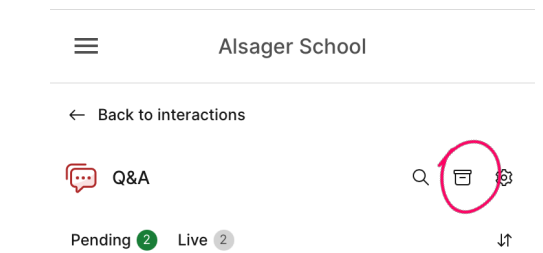
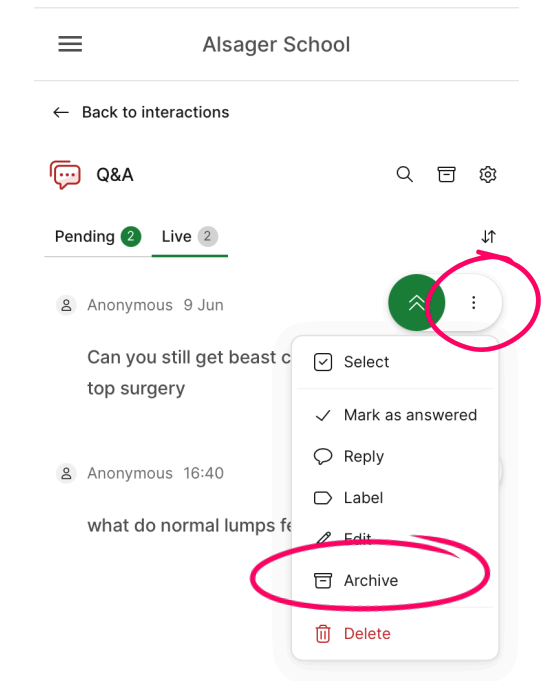
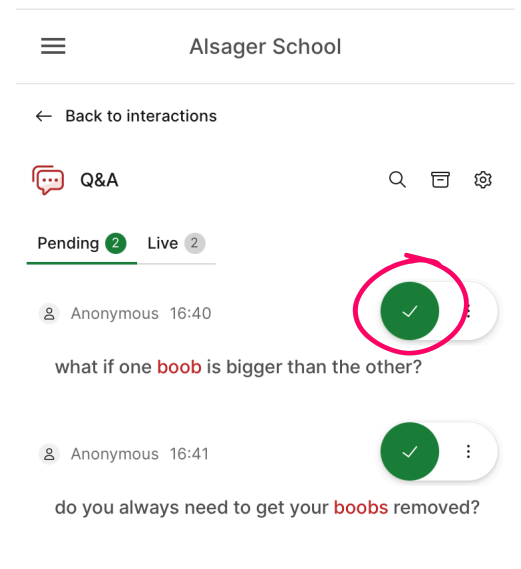
26. If there are too many questions

You can tidy the list by removing any you don't plan to answer.

- Tap the **three dots** on the right of a question.
- Select **'Archive'** to move it out of the way. Your audience won't see archived questions.

27. If you archive a question by mistake, you can tap the 'Archive' icon on the top of the question list. You'll see all archived questions there.

To un-archive a question, tap the 'restore' button (which looks like a 'refresh' arrow.) the question will move back to the live list and become visible to your audience again.



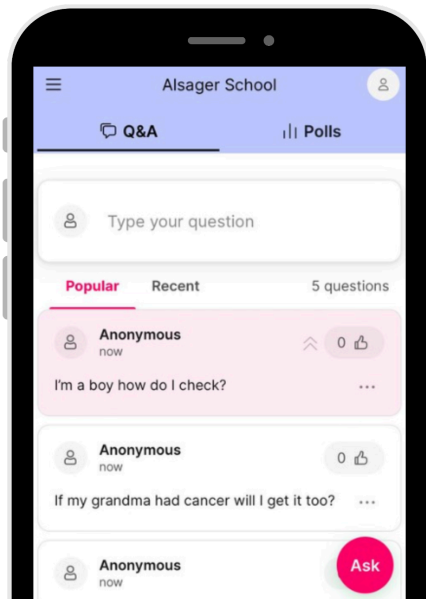
You can also pin a question while you're answering it, so it's highlighted on their phones.

28. Tap the **green double arrow** button. The question will move to the top and be highlighted on your audience's phones.

29. To unpin it, tap the **green tick** button that replaces the arrows. the question will move to the archive as it's been answered

And that's it - you're ready to use Q&A like a pro! 🎤👏

Audience view
(pinned question)



Your view
(pinned question)

