

# Bridging the gap in education during adversity.

Theme: Life In Lockdown

What if we are in a lockdown situation for more than a year?

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## **Lockdown Scenario**

### **CAPTURE A SCENARIO**

Jayashree, a 50 year old school teacher, who has been teaching students for more than 25 years in a closed classroom setup has to efficiently shift to a digital paradigm ensuring effective translation of knowledge amongst her students in a very short span of time.

On the other side, Rehnuma, a grade 7 student, who is continuously pushing her boundaries to recreate the fun times since past 3 months with her fellow classmates. She wishes to meet her favourite teacher from her home and is trying to regain all that from a digital environment. Her parents are also finding it difficult to understand how she is faring in her scholastic activities.



## **Problem Identified**

### PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

How can teachers like Jayashree continue to enlighten students during this pandemic and provide personalized engagement from her home without losing the essence of the physical classroom experience; while moulding the young minds of the future generation of our country?

From the confinement of her home, how a student like Rehnuma can continue to engage in her daily classroom activities, managing her studies and other extra-curriculars?

Meanwhile her parents want to gauge how their ward is faring in her studies with proper insights from her teachers.



## **Problem Identified**

### WHY IS IT AN URGENT PROBLEM?

With schools being shut down due to COVID-19, the education and development of more than 321 million school students in India are at stake. Currently, few of the schools are struggling to continue classes via online mediums while other important aspects like conducting examinations, student-teacher interaction and extracurricular activities are left out.

This unprecedented event has left the teachers, students, school management and parents in a jeopardy and at this stage, India urgently needs a viable solution to ensure a proper education ecosystem for school students in lockdown.

In the long run, the education and growth of millions of students will be hampered which might result in massive unemployment. In India, where majority being the youth population, it becomes a matter of national importance and concern to educate and upskill the next generation.



## **Problem Identified**

# WHEN SOLVED, HOW IT WILL POSITIVELY IMPACT THE TARGET USER?

With lockdown in place to maintain social distancing, it is paramount to incorporate new methods of teaching and educating students. With proper intervention, students, teachers and parents can be brought together in a collaborative environment on a common platform where they can engage, interact and create a positive learning impact while keeping the students safe and healthy in the comfort of their homes.

Schools are a very important part of the formative years of a child and apart from education and knowledge, other life values like discipline, punctuality, morality and empathy towards their counterparts are also imparted by the faculties. An appropriate solution would incorporate all of these things at one place.



# **Target User Persona-Student**

### **PROFILE**

Name: Rehnuma

Job Title: School Student

Gender: Female

Family Setting: Nuclear family (4 members)

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

Income: NA

**Education**: 7th Standard (ongoing)

## **FEELINGS**

**Values & Goals:** Meeting with her friends, engaging in studies, completing assignments and interacting with her faculty.

**Worries:** Clearing doubts, fun with friends, trying remote learning.

**Influences:** Parents & Relatives, Friends, Teachers, Social Media

## **OBJECTIONS**

Cost: Infrastructure.

**Value:** Low digital fluency, lack of motivation. **Fear:** Lagging behind peers, effective learning, performance anxiety, losing contacts with friends.

# Target User Persona-Teacher

### **PROFILE**

Name: Jayashree

Job Title: School Teacher

Gender: Female

Family Setting: Nuclear family (3 members)

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

Income: 4.5 LPA

**Education:** Postgraduate

## **FEELINGS**

**Values & Goals:** Managing students, imparting knowledge, conducting assessments.

**Worries:** Clearing doubts, catering individual student, creating educational resources & soft assets, maintaining class decorum and work-life balance.

**Influences:** School Admin, Peers, Parents, Social Media & News.

### **OBJECTIONS**

**Cost:** Long-term efficiency, student output. **Value:** Infrastructure, Awareness among peers and students, allocation of resources from management, resistance to change, poor digital training, low income. **Fear:** Keeping students engaged & motivated, hesitant with new tech, job security, self doubt, hierarchy pressure.

# **Target User Persona-Parent**

## **PROFILE**

Name: Atif

**Job Title:** Software Engineer

Gender: Male

Family Setting: (4 members)

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

Income: 10 LPA

**Education**: Graduate

## **FEELINGS**

**Values & Goals:** Taking care of family, providing resources, ensuring good education, health and safety.

**Worries:** Children's education and holistic development, providing financial security, future of children.

**Influences:** Colleagues, school teachers & admin, family members, social media & news.

## **OBJECTIONS**

**Cost:** Justification of school fees, invalid use of products & resources.

**Value:** Comparison between peers, resistance to change.

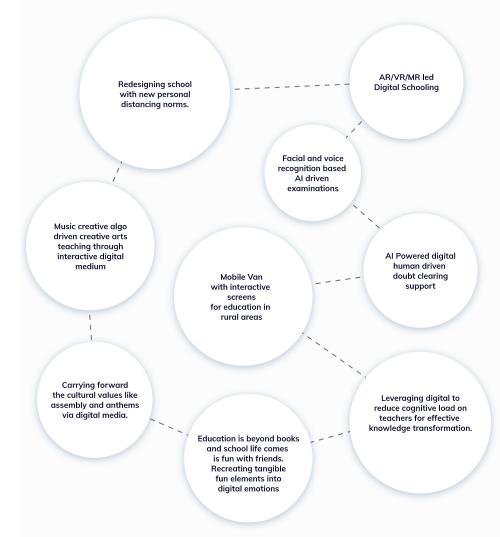
**Fear:** Children lagging behind their peers, health of family, cyberbullying and online distractions, job security.

## Ideation

"Creativity is all about connecting the dots".

We gathered all the floating ideas in our minds to widen our perspective towards feature based solutions to all the critical challenges captured via our research.

We tried to bridge the boundaries of design and technology all together to find an innovative and impactful solution for digital schooling



# **Explorations**

"Bringing Ideas to holistic viable solutions".

## Service design solution

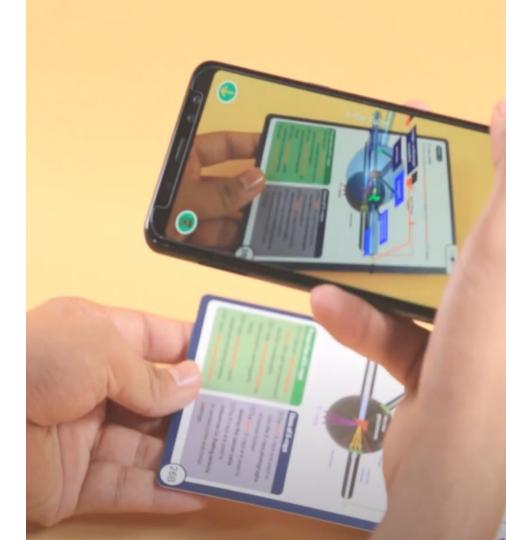
A service providing low cost physical assets like laptops, tablets, required to students/ teachers/ management to bring back schooling to life.

## Tangible design

Redesigned school infrastructure according to social distancing and health care norms.

## **Digital Application**

An AR based mobile phone application for digital schooling with fun and data driven graphical learning/teaching experience for students and teachers.



## Realization

"Reality is far from imagination."

Our continuous ongoing research showed us the stakeholders real life challenges which became the key factor on understanding our product market fit.



## No consistent network

67% of users said Existing video conferencing solution does not work as it consumes high amount of data and requires a higher bandwidth.



## Lack of digital fluency

**43% of teachers** in our research are not much fluent in using web applications.



## **Unlikeness for AI Judgements**

23% of parents told us they won't like an Al judging and evaluating their child.

## **Transformation**

**RULE # 1: THE CUSTOMER IS ALWAYS RIGHT!** 

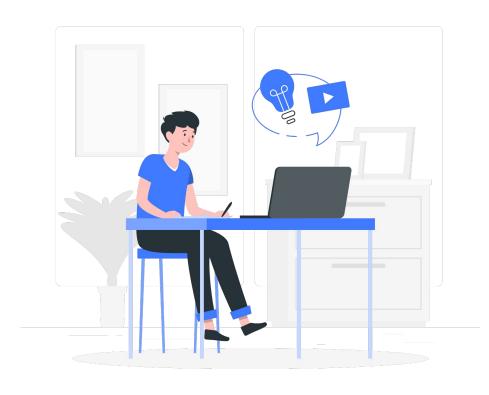
RULE #2: IF THE CUSTOMER IS WRONG, SEE RULE #1." -

By Stew Leonard

## **Redefined solution**

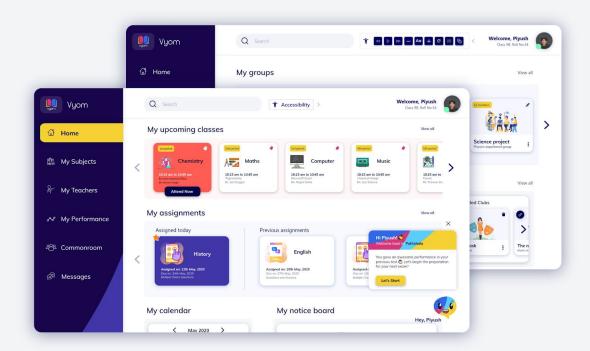
Looking at the immediate requirements, we will introduce a simple and intuitive digital schooling solution which could bring back the physical and emotional realm of the classroom within the provided resources and conditions.

In later times, we can leverage the benefit of data acquired from digital education to provide personalized and tech+human driven educational experience transforming studies and



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Introducing the new age digital schooling

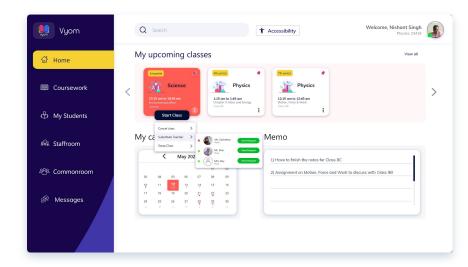


# **User Experience**

#### Student Interface



### **Teacher Interface**

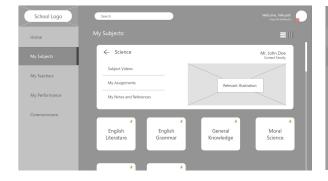


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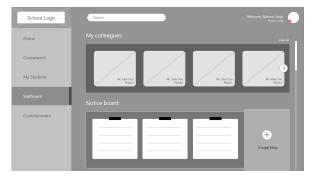






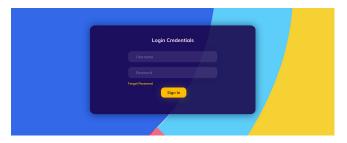






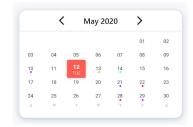


Interventions introduced for children & teachers

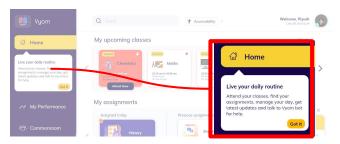


Login through school **registered credentials** to avoid false usage of profile and personal data.

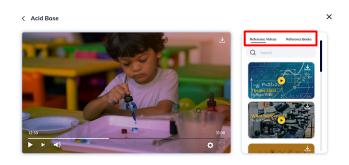
## My calendar



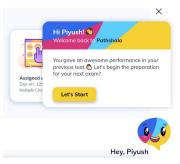
**Customisable academic calendar** and **reminders** for classes, submissions, and other important message/ notification for both students and teachers



**Easy** and **guided onboarding** process helps both student and teacher to better understand the medium.



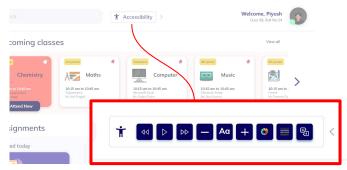
**Reference videos** and related **notes** all available and organised at a single place for the students. Removes the hassle of searching for them individually



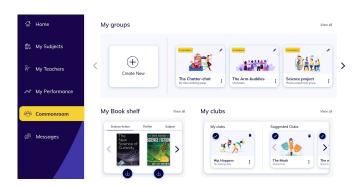
**Al integrated chat bot** for any help like navigation, reminders and updates



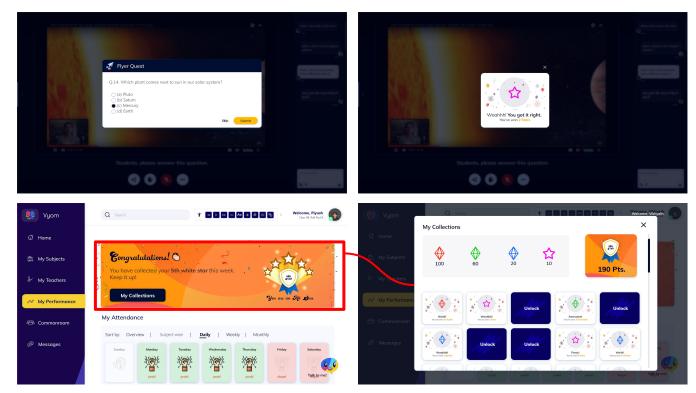
Automated student performance analytics and attendance system, Assessment done by the teachers, but compiled by the system.



Addition of accessibility panel to be **inclusive** and **convenient** for all range of users



**Common room** feature to enable extra curricular and group activities for **motivating** students to do more along with studies.



Gamification to engage children during classes with pop up quiz/question/task sessions/submissions and awarded with credit points (ruby, emerald, sapphire, star) and collecting badges accordingly.

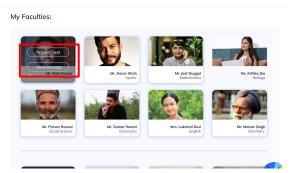


Interactive health reminders make sure that both students and teachers take care of their well being and posture during the class. "Blink your eyes", "Keep your back straight", and much more!

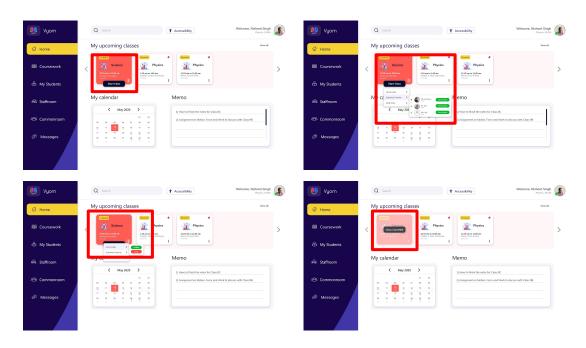


Addition of both **live** and its **recorded sessions** for later use. **Offline downloadable** content helpful in case of non consistent internet connectivity.





**Doubt clearance** done **three-way.** Either by booking an appointment or through personalised messages or open



Teachers can **alter/substitute/swap/cancel** their classes and an immediate notification will be sent to the students regarding the alternate arrangements made.



Personalised notifications and updates regarding child's attendance and performance are directly sent to their parents contact number

## **Process**



### Research

primary study- students, parents, teachers, management, secondary study- benchmarking of similar products.



## Data analysis and insights:

Problem statements/pain points, needs, wants, USP, identifying target users (User economic groups and systems), taken for granted (like proper internet connection, availability of required hardware, electricity, advanced/novice tech user, ).



## Ideas and concepts generation:

Brainstorming, explorations, scenario and journey mapping,



## **Prototyping**

Features and positioning, low fidelity wireframes, interaction and touch points, UI

# **Impact**

### IMPACT OF YOUR SOLUTION

One common platform catering to the needs of different stakeholders (students, teachers, parents, management). With current lockdown, this can be easily implemented by schools to initiate learn-from-home in a safe and secure environment.

### Students:

- Mimics a classroom like environment. Student engagement and interaction are of the core focus as they are involved in regular class-like activities like pop up quiz, tasks, co-curriculars, and more as they become attentive and stay conscious during the online session.
- **Easy onboarding** procedure helps the student to better understand the learning medium.
- An organised, easy to learn and interactive platform. This
  helps the kid to cope up with schooling and learning
  process without having to go to school.









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### IMPACT OF YOUR SOLUTION

## **Teachers:**

- Mimics a classroom like environment. An organised easy to teach and interactive platform.
- **Easy onboarding** procedure helps the teacher to better understand the learning medium.
- Can meet and discuss with other faculties on a virtual medium
- **Automated attendance** and performance analytics system allows teachers to get rid of the usual paperwork and protocols. Evaluation and assessment is done by the teacher but analysis and compilation is done by the system.
- Creating lesson plans, timetables, and monitoring other activities becomes easier.
- They can monitor and guide individual students efficiently











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### IMPACT OF YOUR SOLUTION

### Parents:

- **Keeps them well informed** about the child's education, life skills, strengths and scopes for improvement,
- Receives alerts, updates, attendance and performance of their child through directed messages.
- Removes the fear of having their child sitting in front of the screen all day and spoil their health due to implementation of engaging activities and health reminders/advices.
- Since this platform includes both scholastic and non scholastic activities, it ensures holistic development of their child.





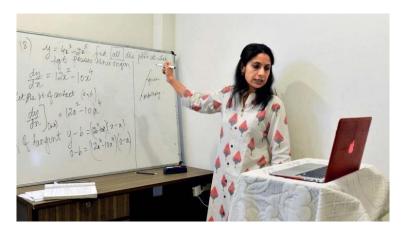


# **Execution & Viability**

# HOW CAN YOUR SOLUTION BE IMPLEMENTED AND SUCCESSFUL?

Since the specified target user group generally has a **smart device** (phones, tabs, laptops, desktops) it will be an **online platform** dedicated to the school activities of the child which could be monitored by both the parent and the teacher and resources provided by the management.

This could be designed and personalised for individual schools/educational boards with respect to its needs, necessities, resources and other infrastructure.





# **Execution & Viability**

## **Future scope**

- Increasing the accessibility to all user groups irrespective of language and other accessibility/disability issues.
- Making the platform user friendly and connected across all devices.
- A combined solution consisting of both a dedicated hardware and software designed for this specific purpose to widen the user topography as many don't have access to proper electricity, internet connectivity and hardware.
- Facilities to take the left out extra curricular activities online.
- Features to conduct examinations online
- Content creation for teachers.
- Additional plugins and features (like engagement and eye motion tracking) as per extra subscription fee or charges











# **Execution & Viability**

Free	Essential	Premium	Enterprise
Everything in free	Everything in free plus	Everything in premium	Everything in custom
Conduct daily lectures	Digital library integration	Chatbot driven student support	Digital human driven student support
Provide student assignments	Accessibility plugin	Al suggestive personalized engagement	Immersive media integration
Update important notices	Classroom gamification	Emotional and health analytics	Omni channel student engagement
Chat	Performance analytics	External SMS integration	Role based access
	Digital examination with facial rec	Financial management	Optimized service
	Multilingual capabilities	External API Integrations	24/7 support
	Virtual Parents teacher meeting	Voice recognition	External API Integrations
	Social groups/ clubs formation	On premise deployment for data security	
	Appointment booking		

# Thank you!



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