Family & Guardian Guide to Microsoft Teams

Everything your student needs to know to get started with online learning.

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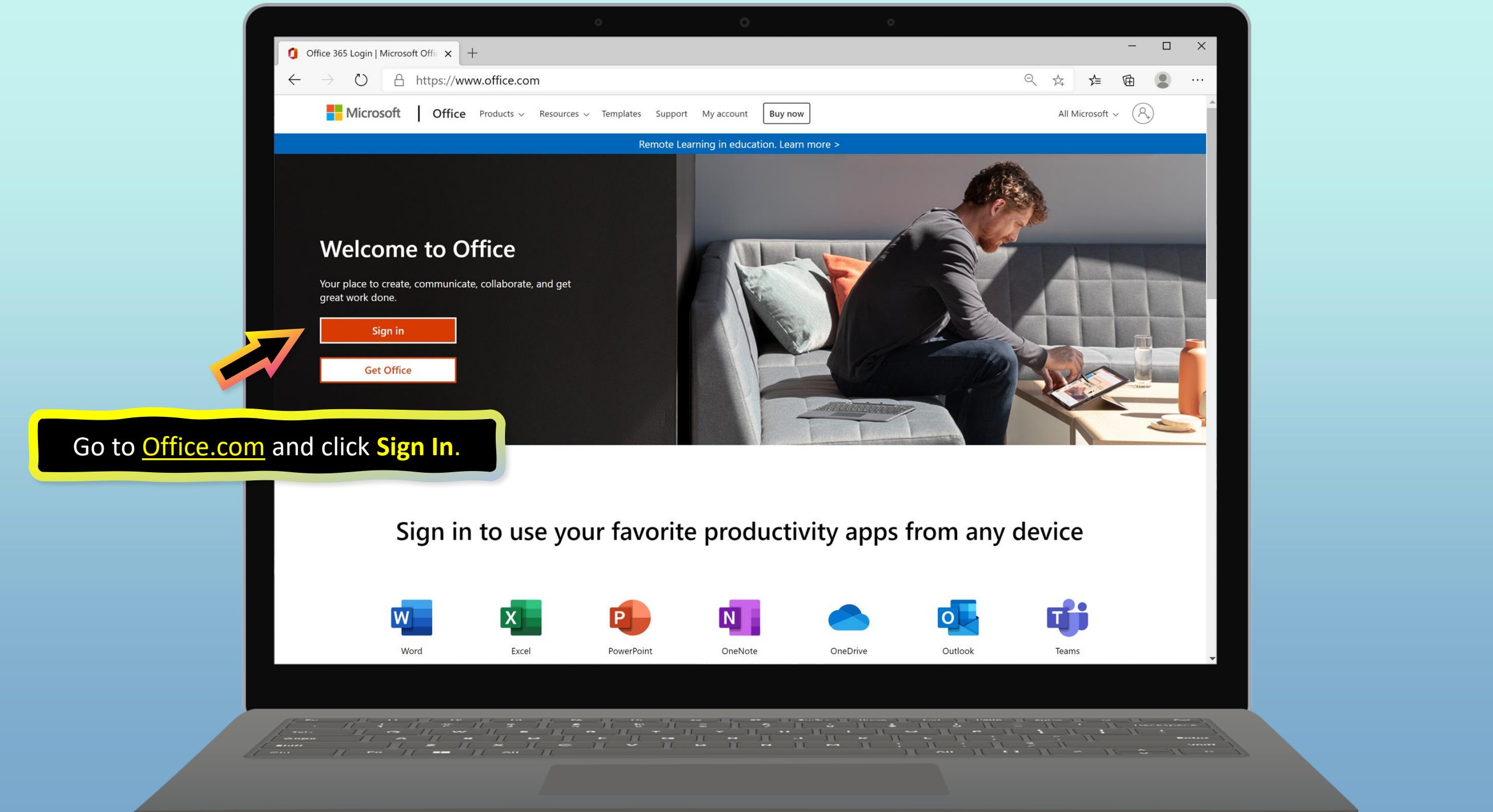

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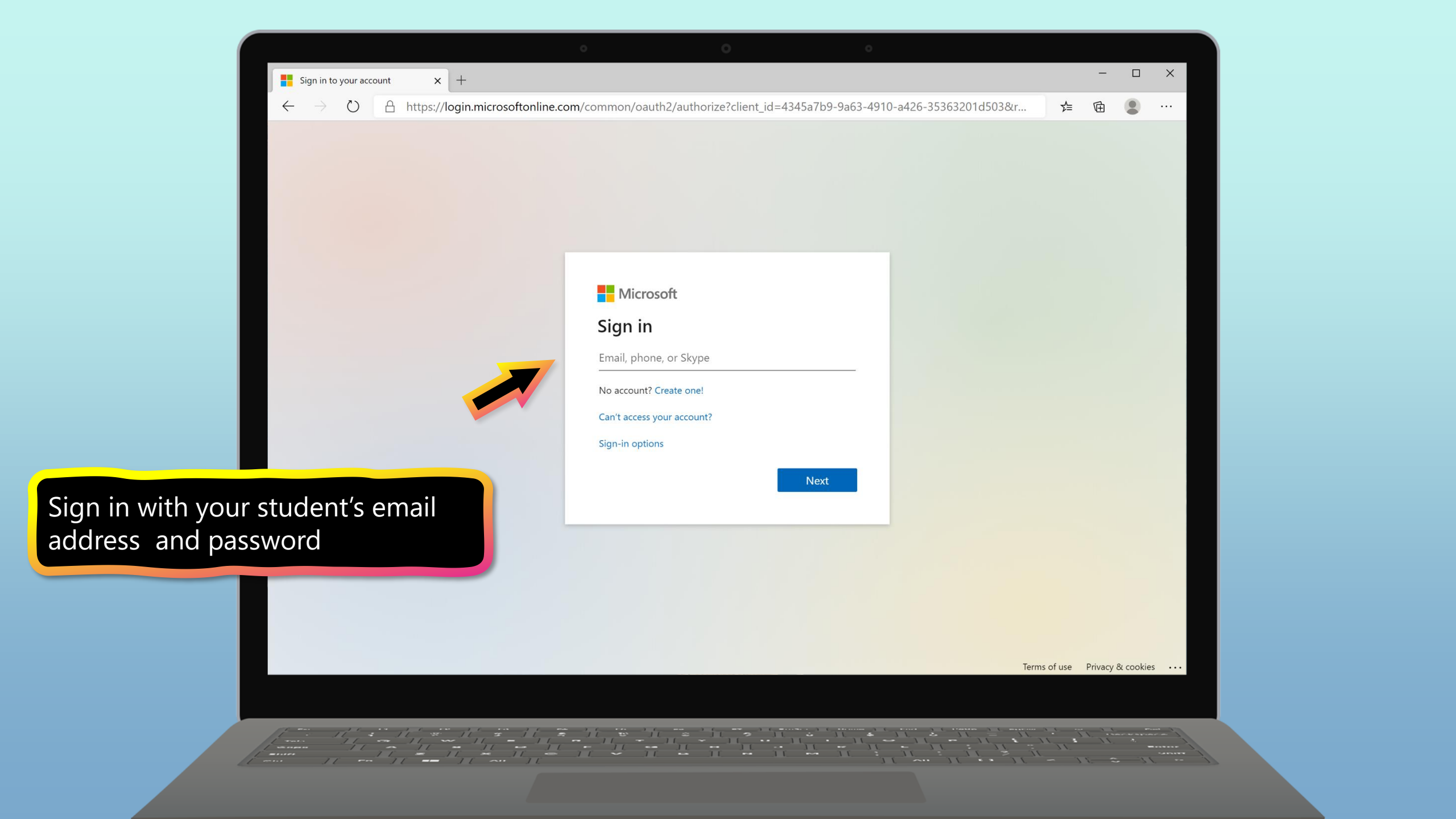
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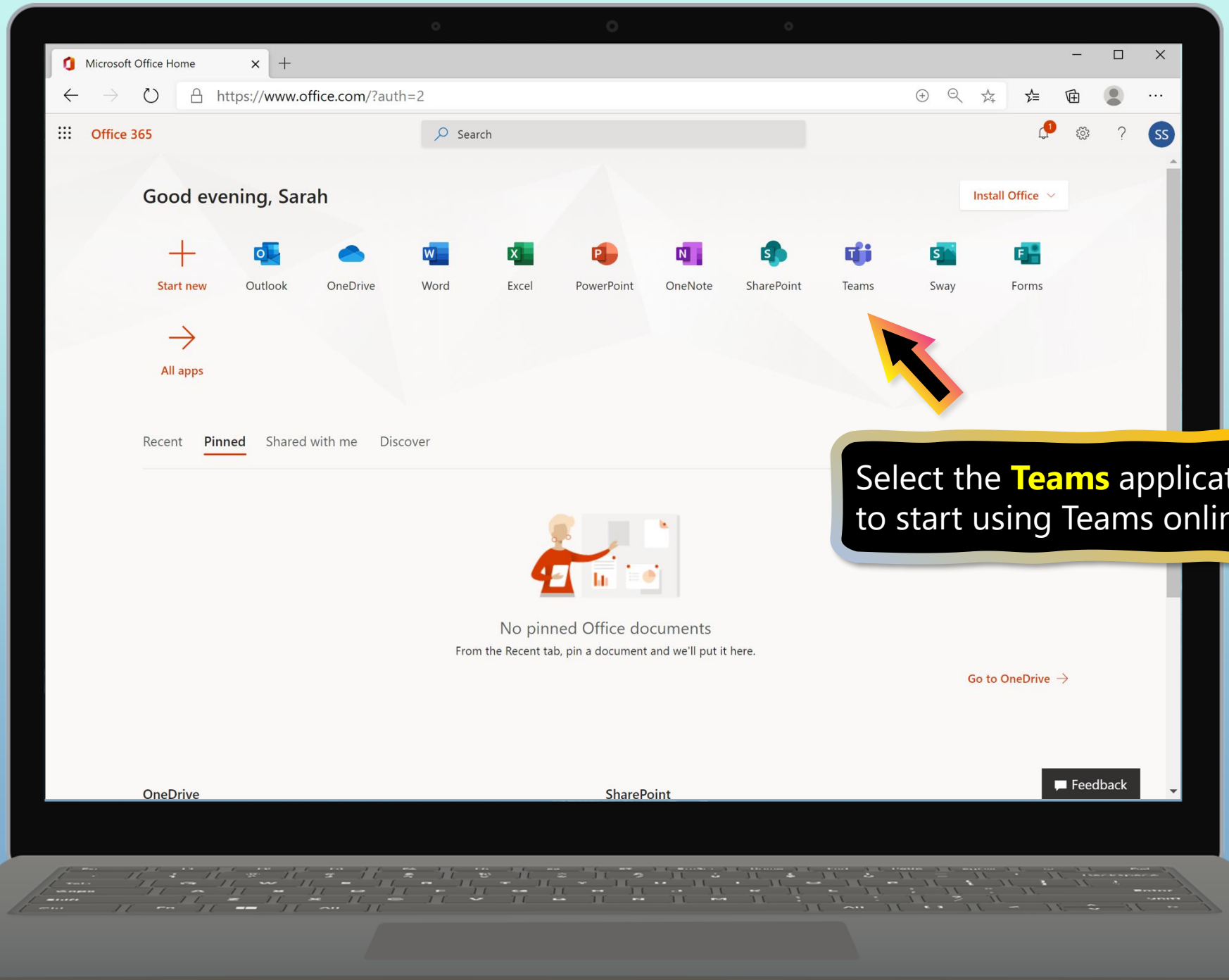
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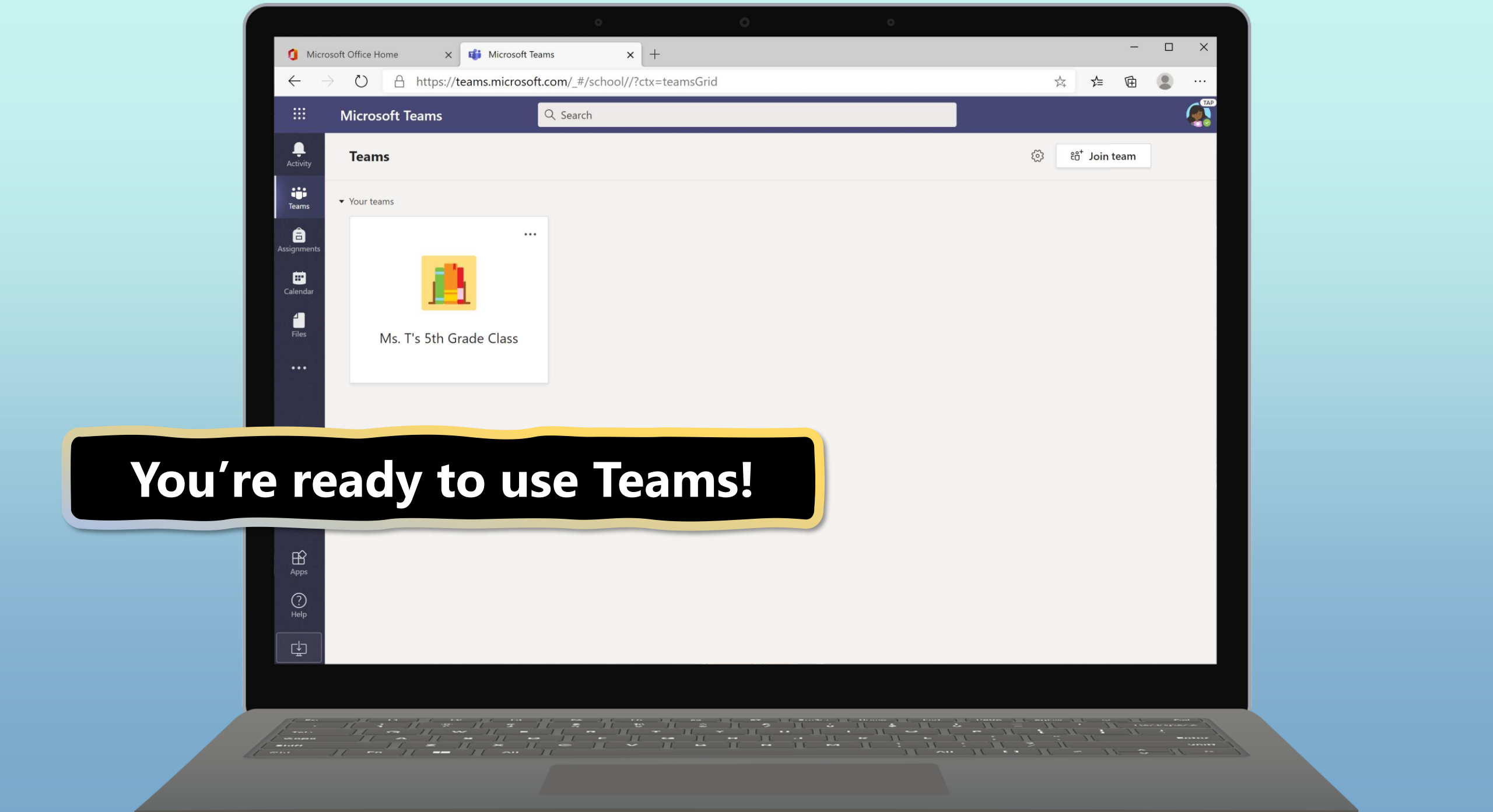
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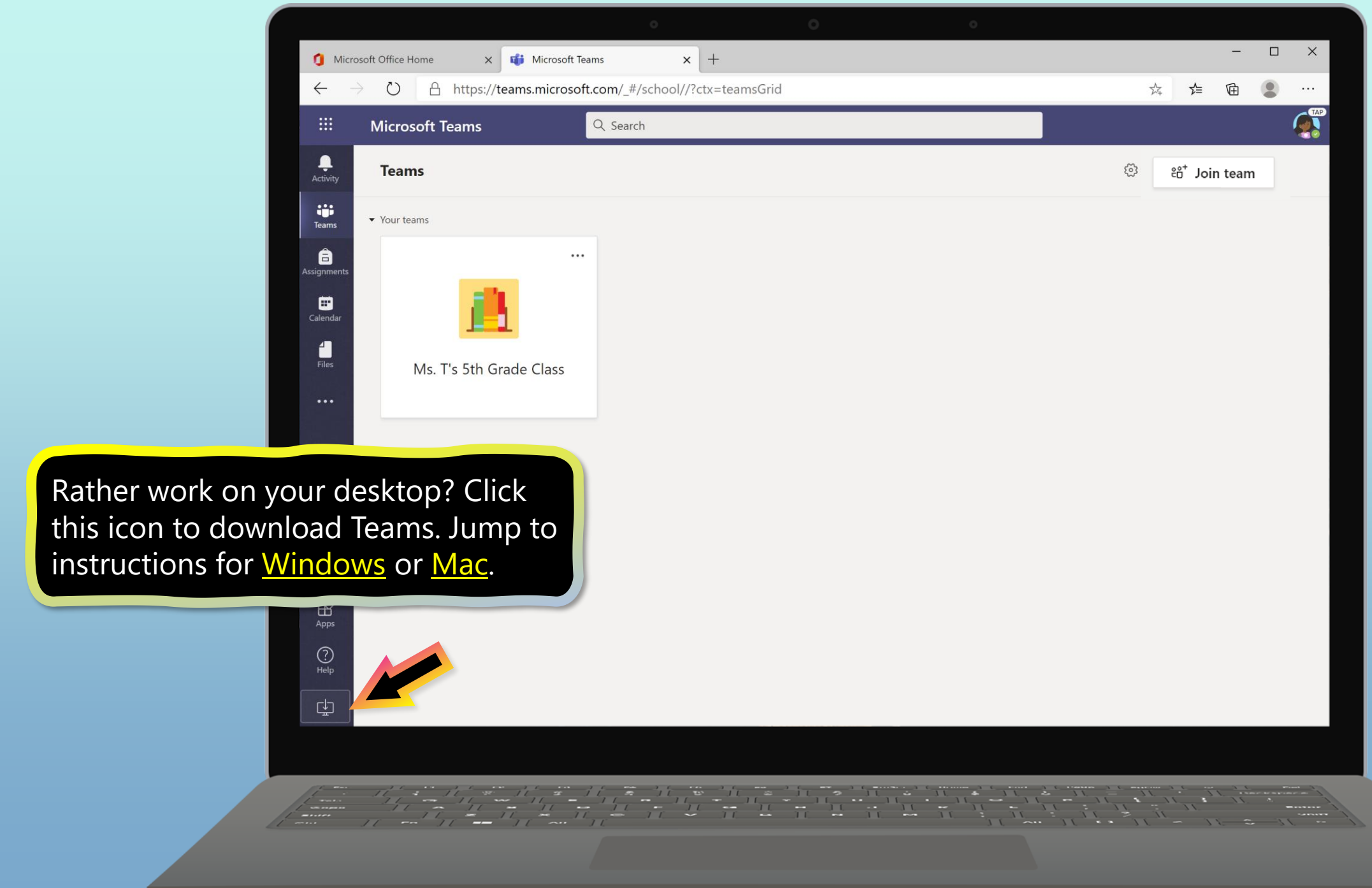
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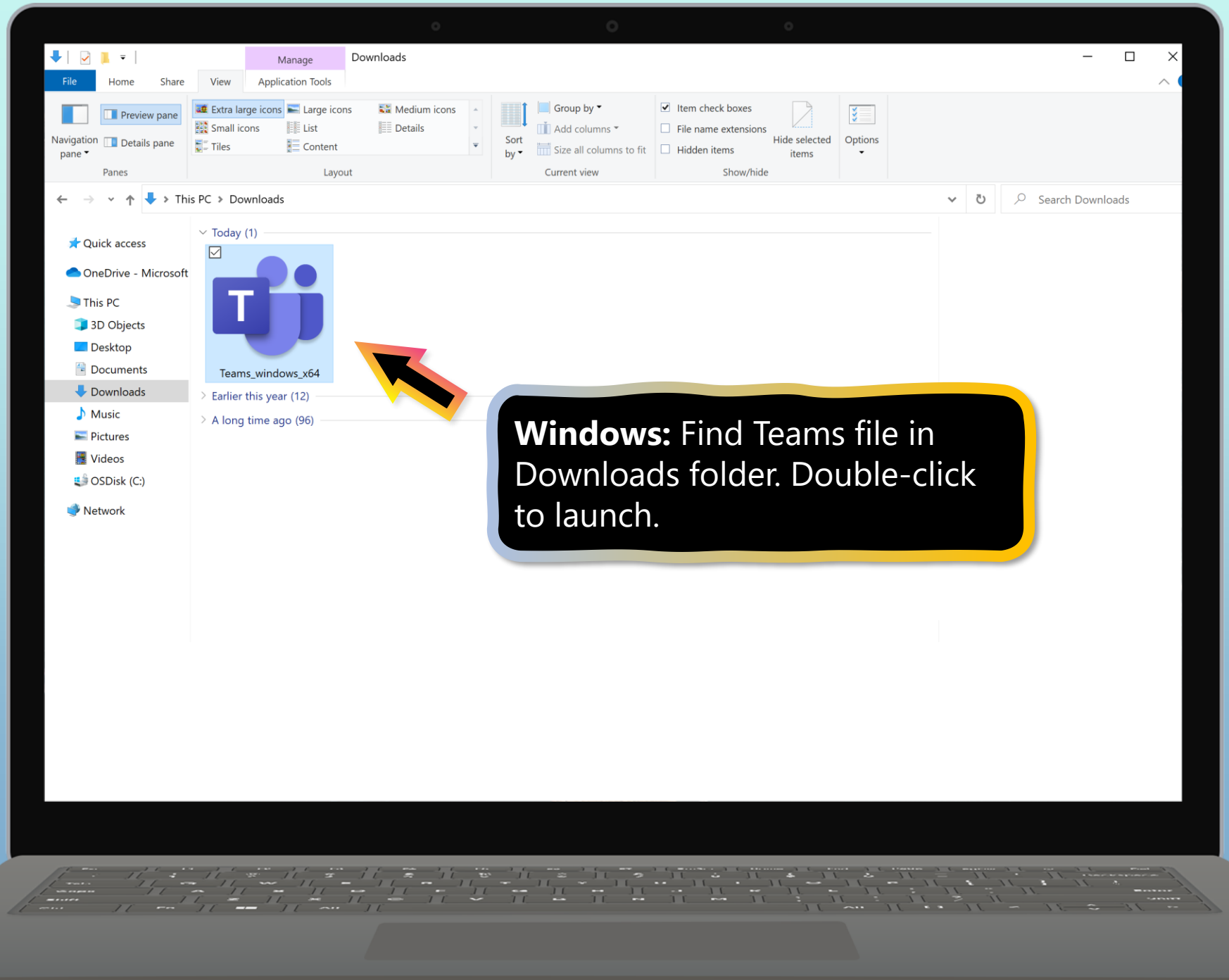
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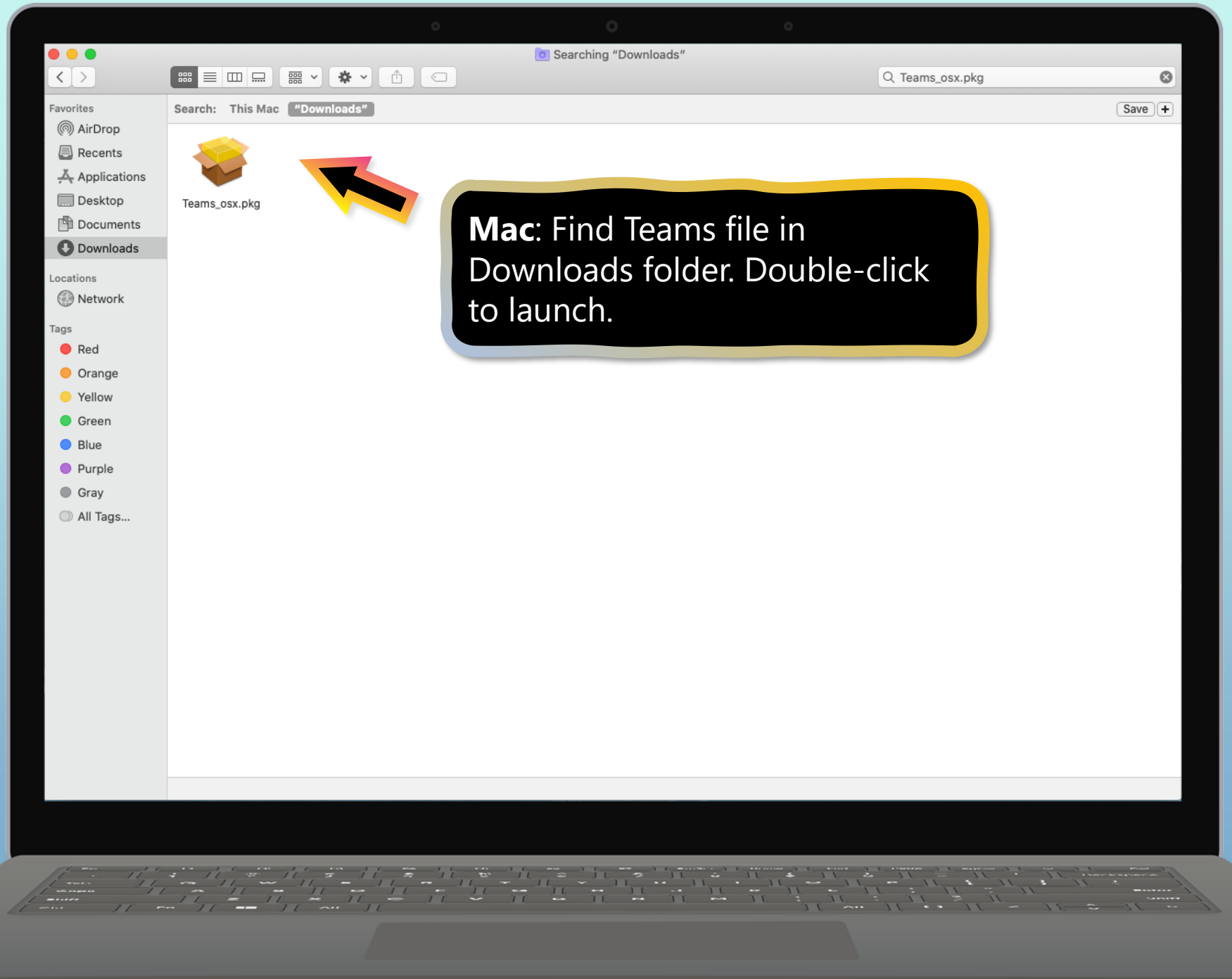
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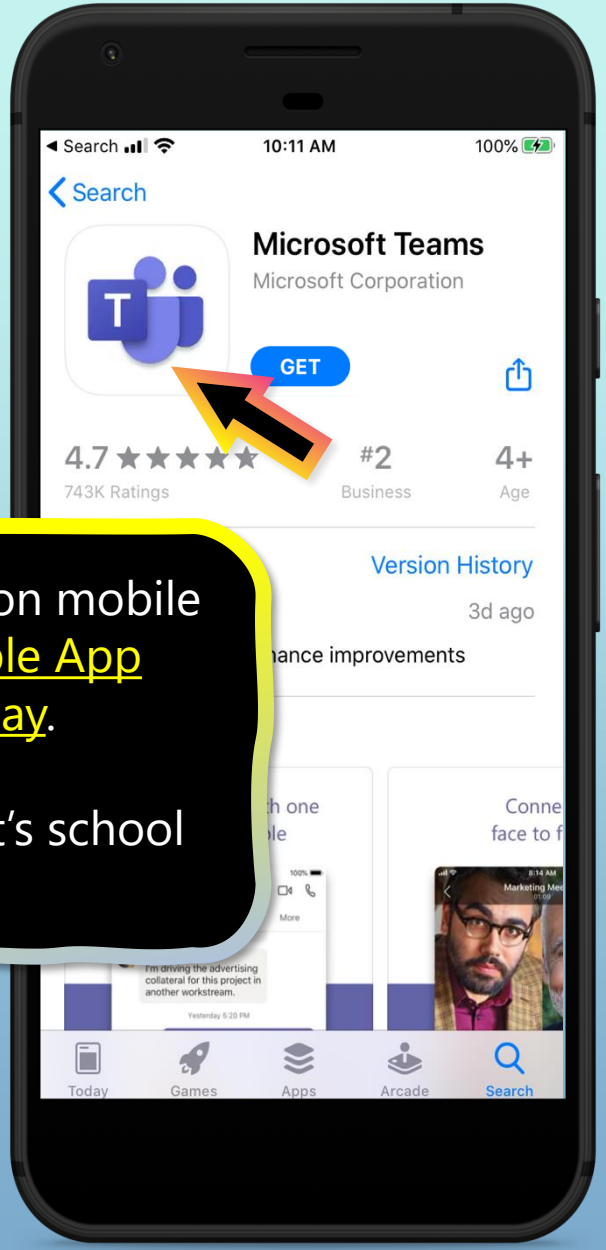
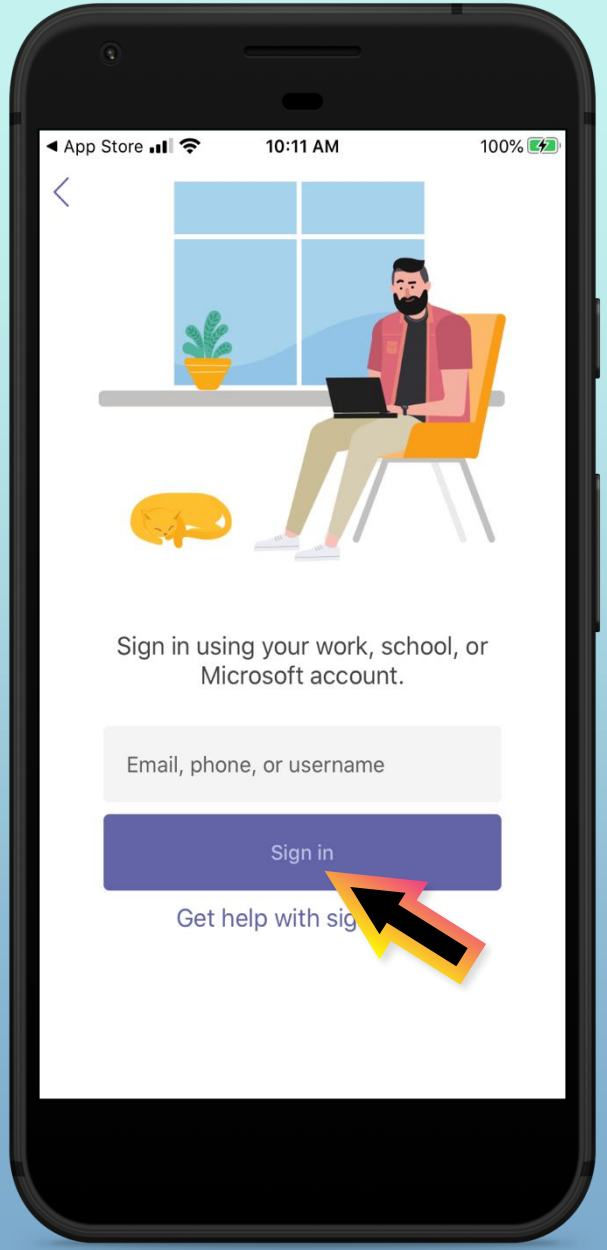
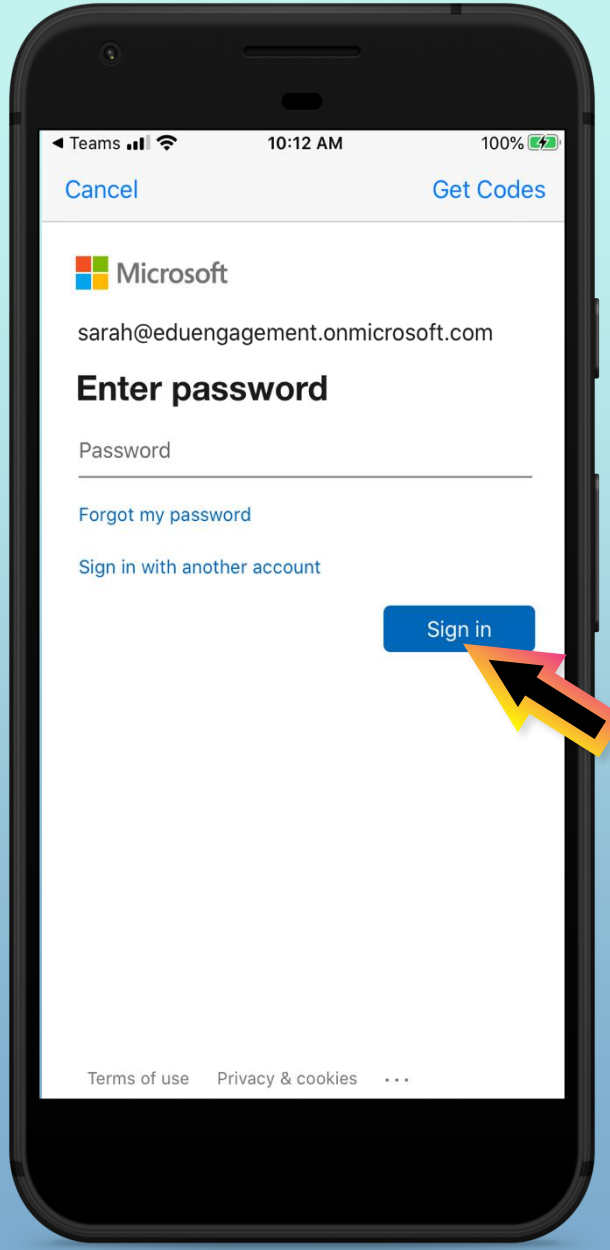
Download Teams on mobile device via the Apple App Store or Google Play.

Enter your student's school or work account.



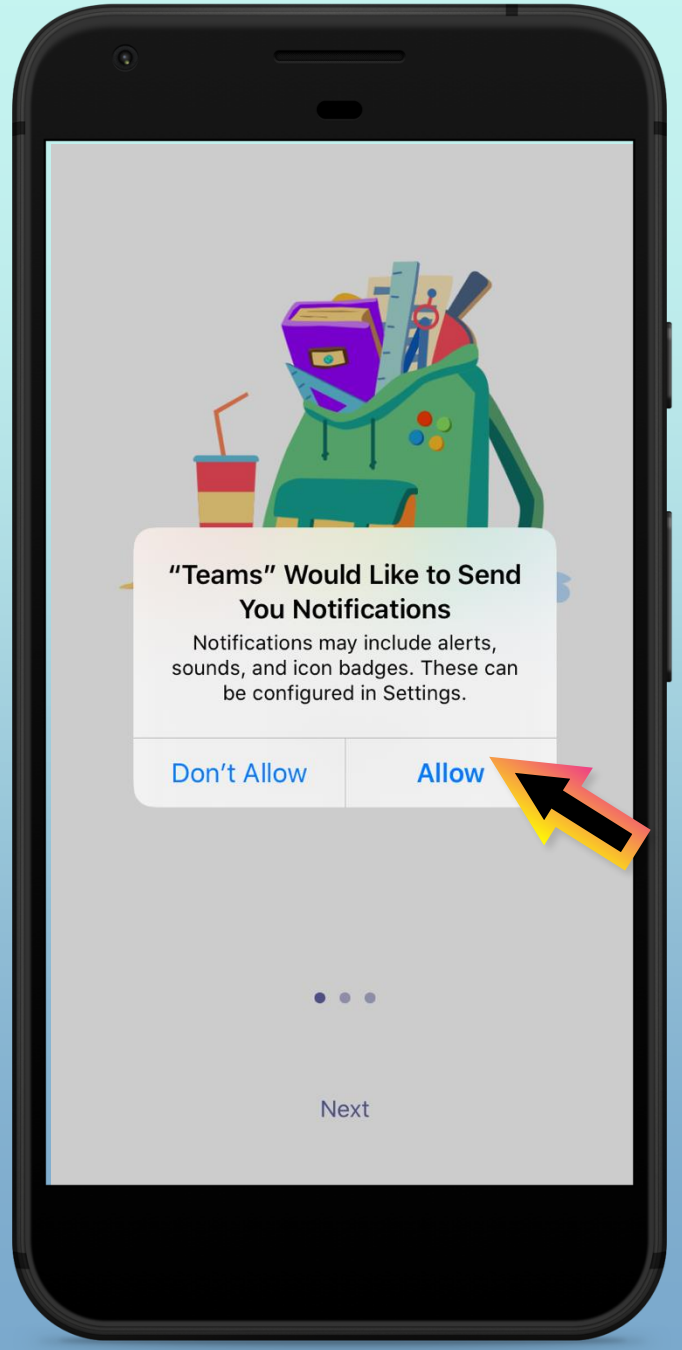




The app will ask you to allow notifications. Click **Allow**.

Notifications will send an alert to your mobile device when something important is going on in your student's class, like a class meeting, new assignments, or important announcement.

You can adjust this in **Settings**.



The app will also ask you to allow microphone access. Click **OK**.

Microphone access may enable your student to participate in class discussions with the mobile device.

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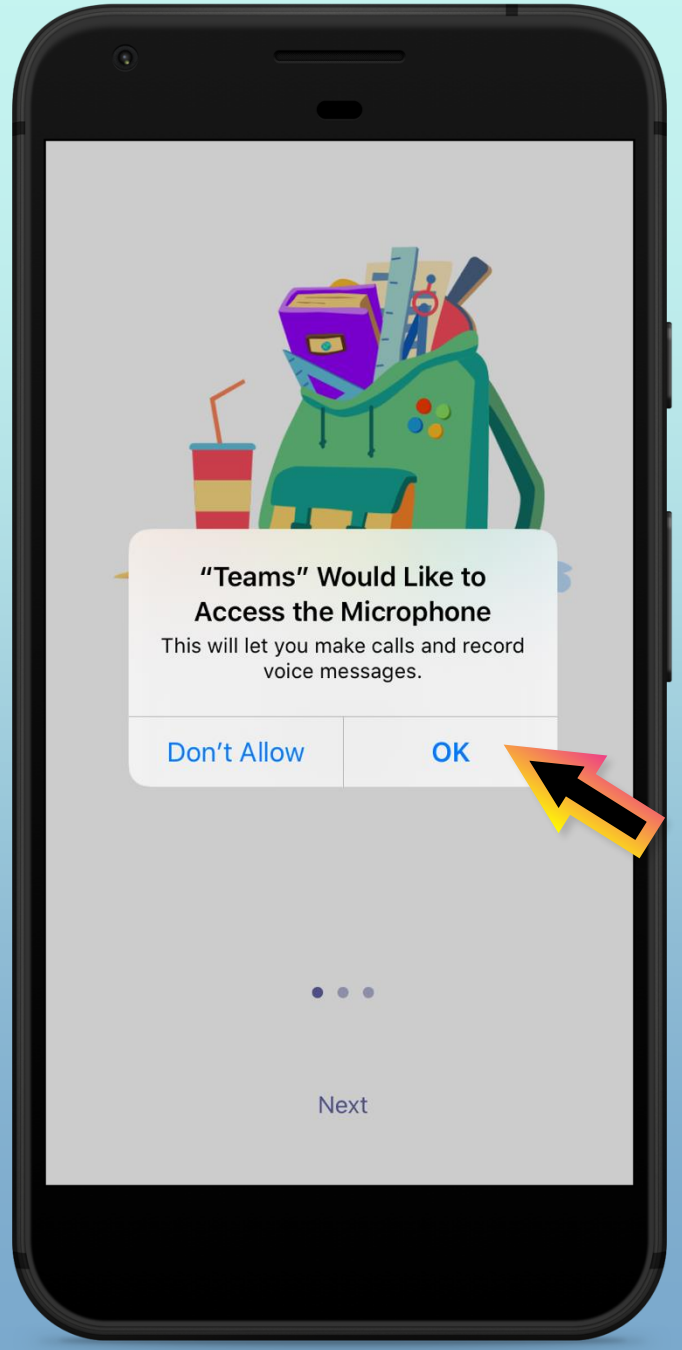


Stay on top of the important stuff.

Next

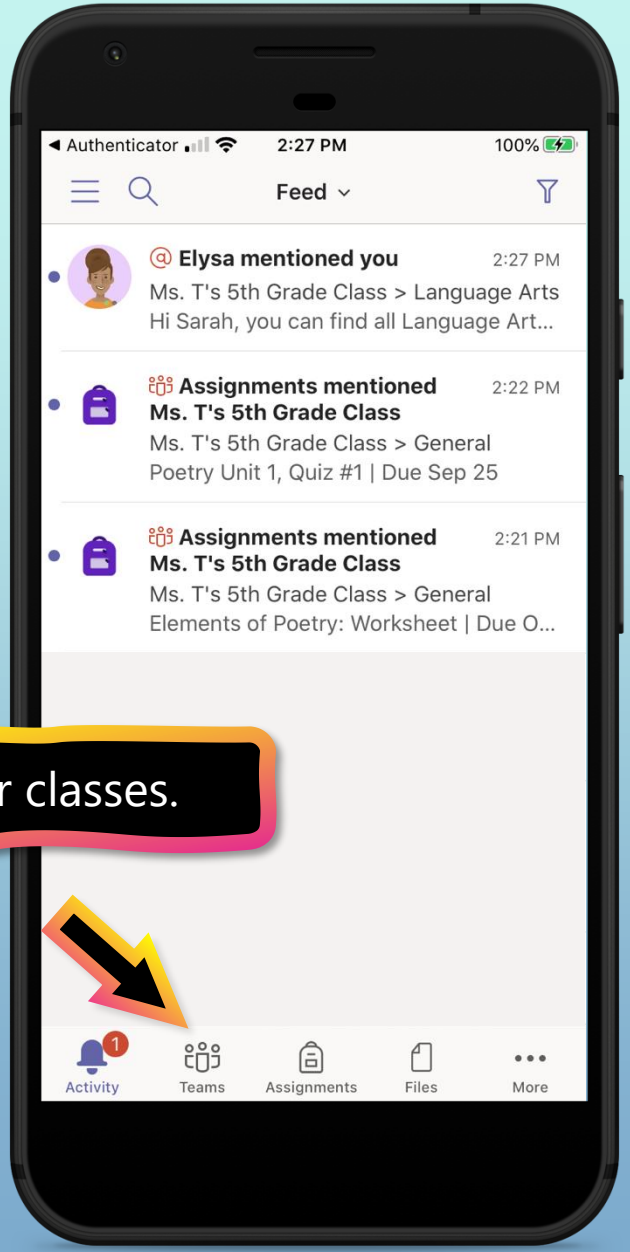
Get homework done anywhere.

Next

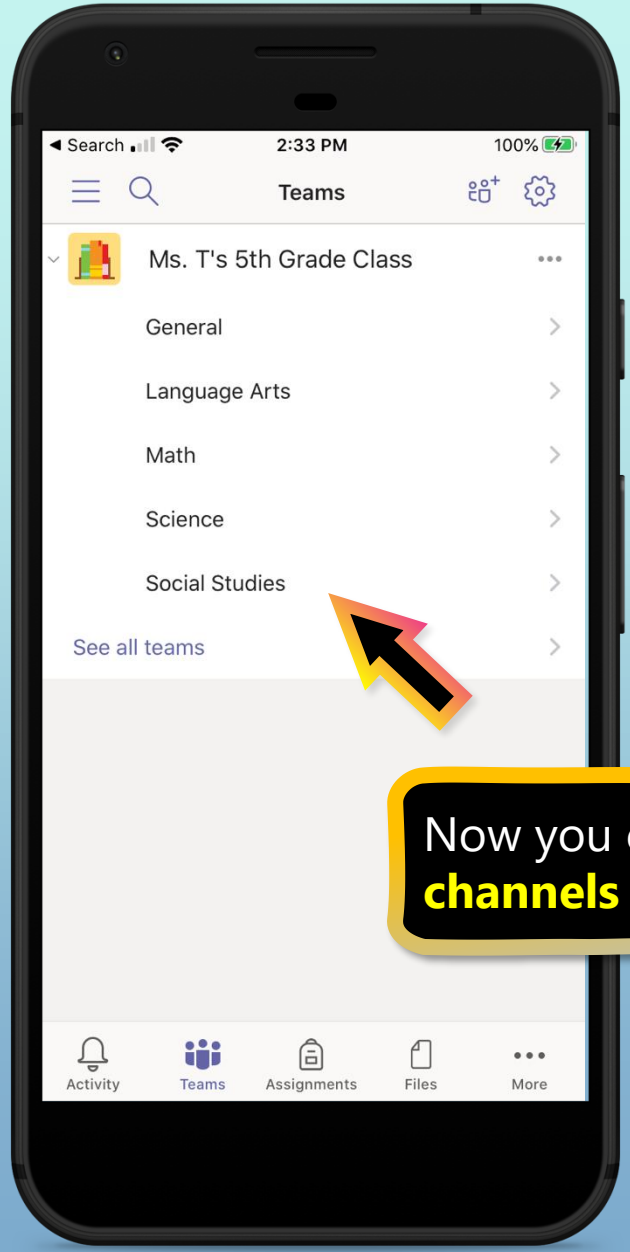
Speak up. Share out. Soar on.

Got it

Review welcome screens and click **Got it.**



Click on **Teams** to see your classes.



Now you can view the **channels** within your class.

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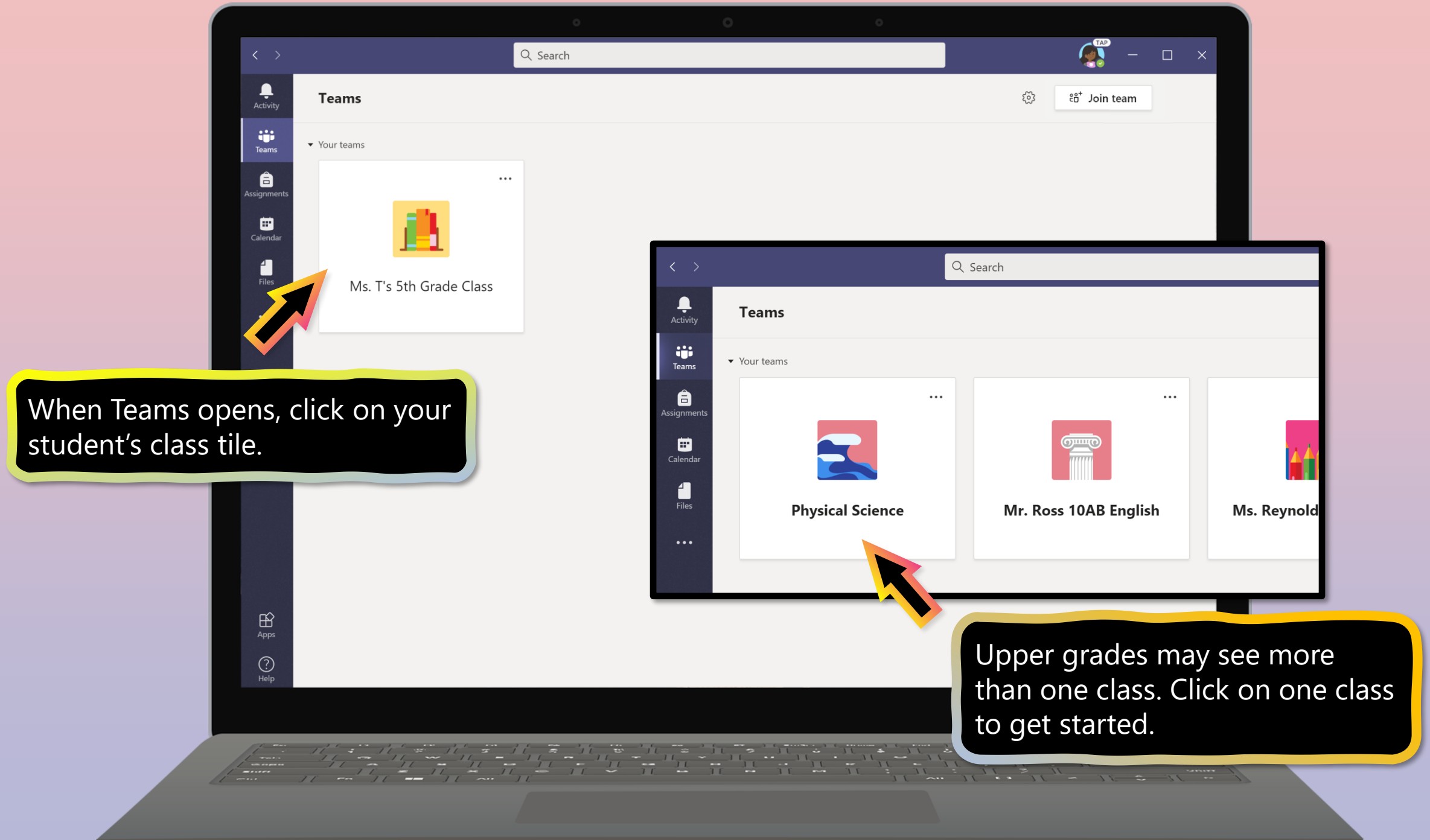
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When Teams opens, click on your student's class tile.
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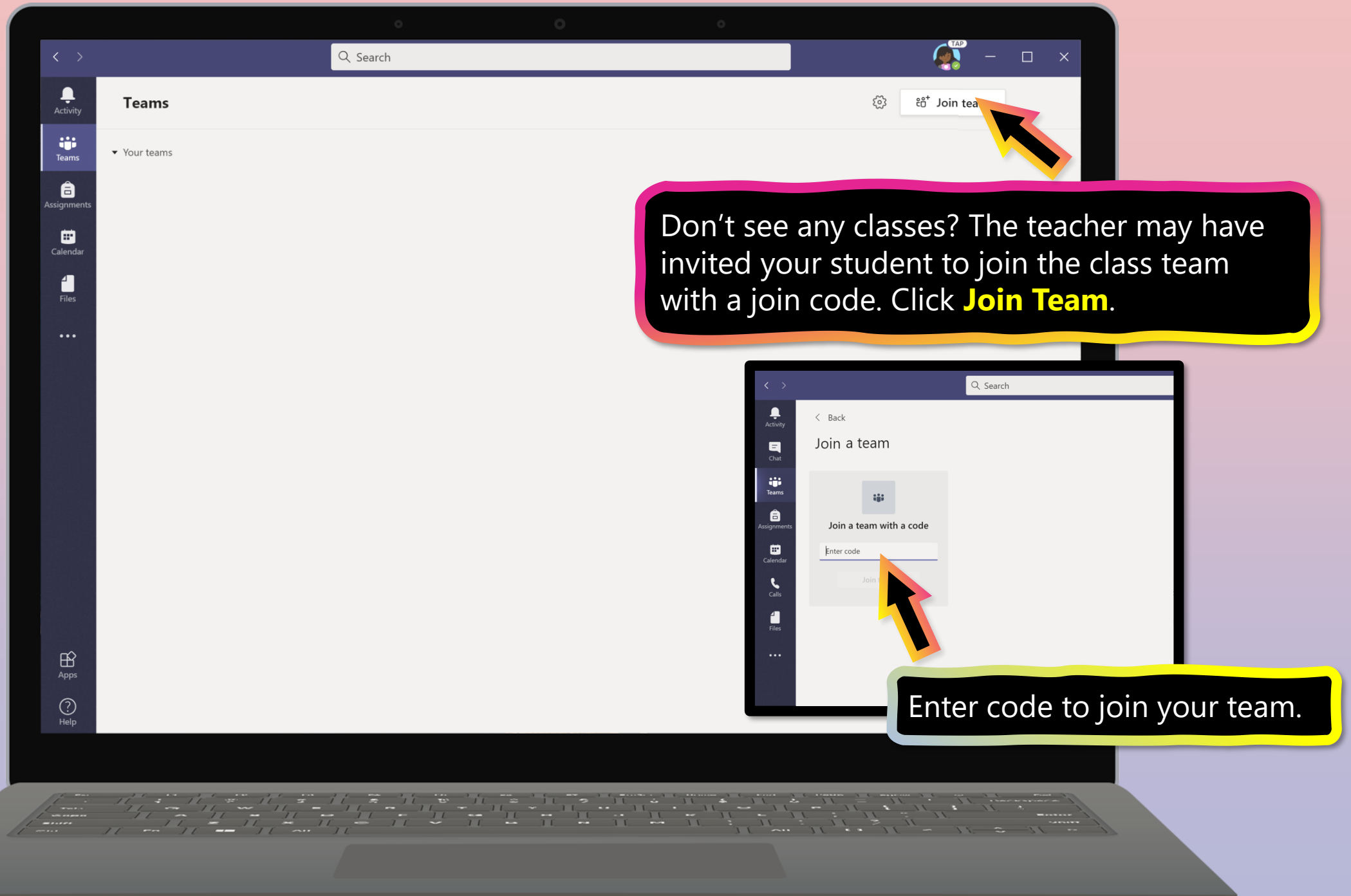
Upper grades may see more than one class. Click on one class to get started.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Don’t see any classes? The teacher may have invited your student to join the class team with a join code. Click **Join Team**.
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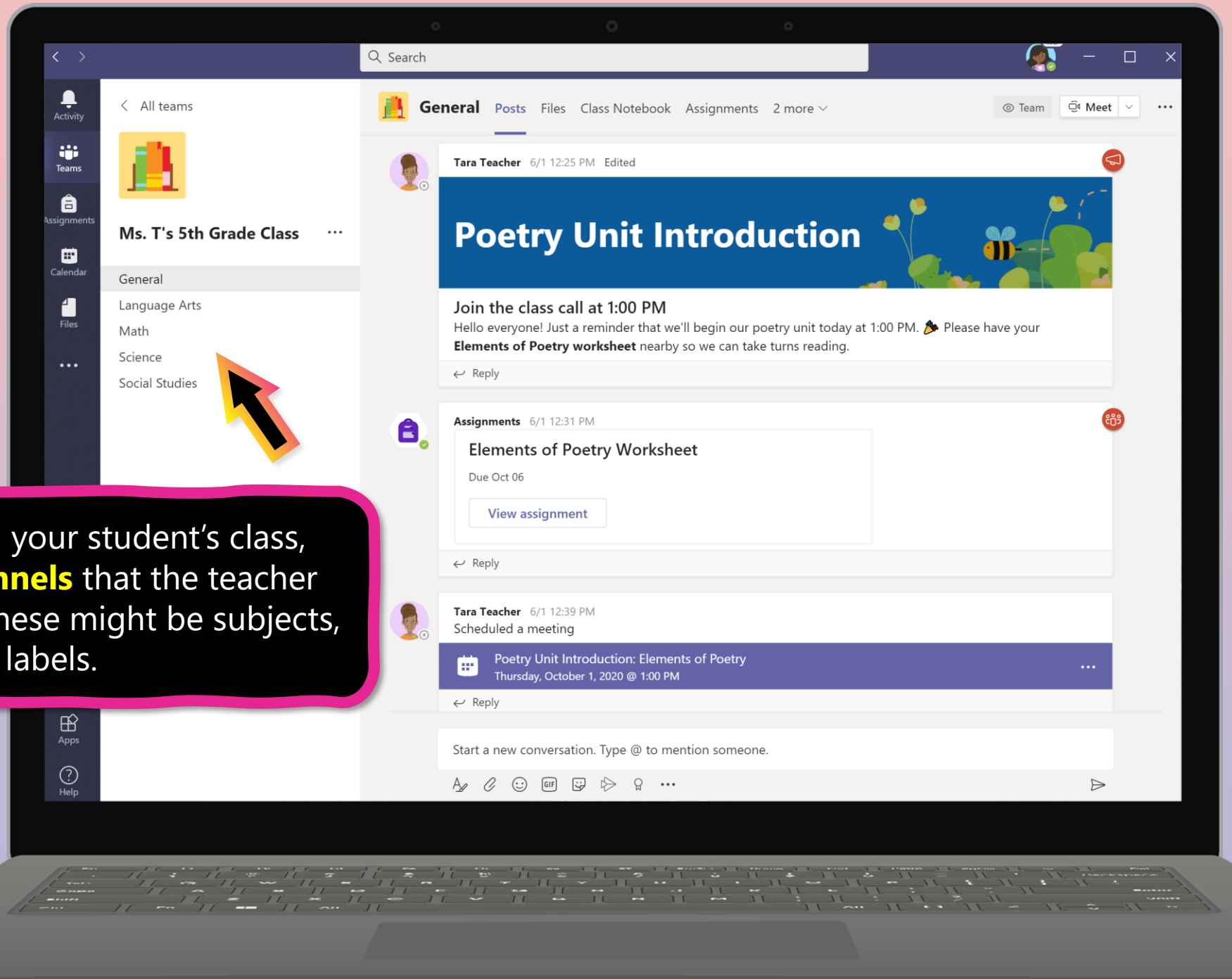
Enter code to join your team.



After selecting your student's class, you'll see **channels** that the teacher has created. These might be subjects, units, or other labels.

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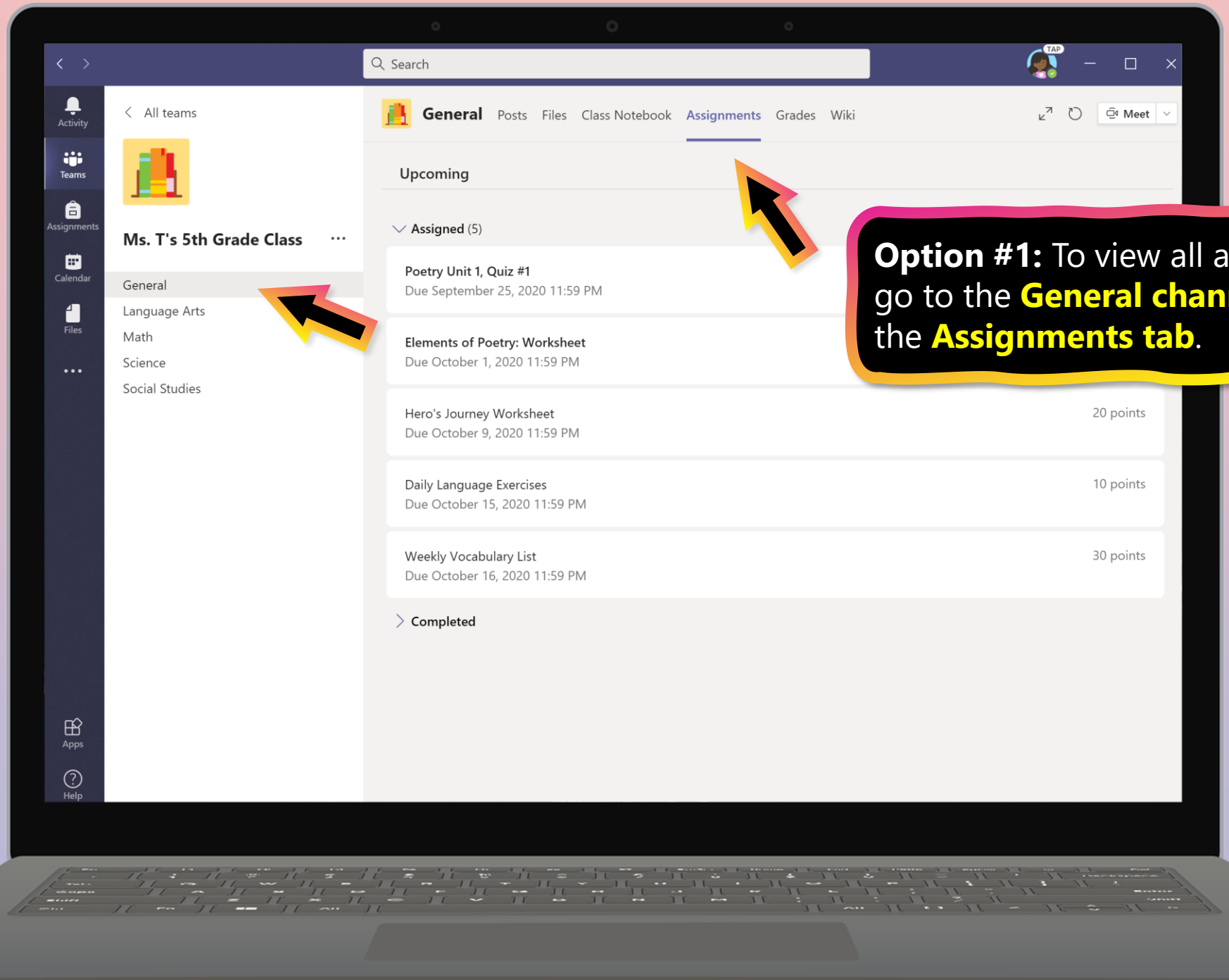
Assignments can be viewed and submitted many ways on Teams. Here are some common options.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20 points
Daily Language Exercises
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30 points
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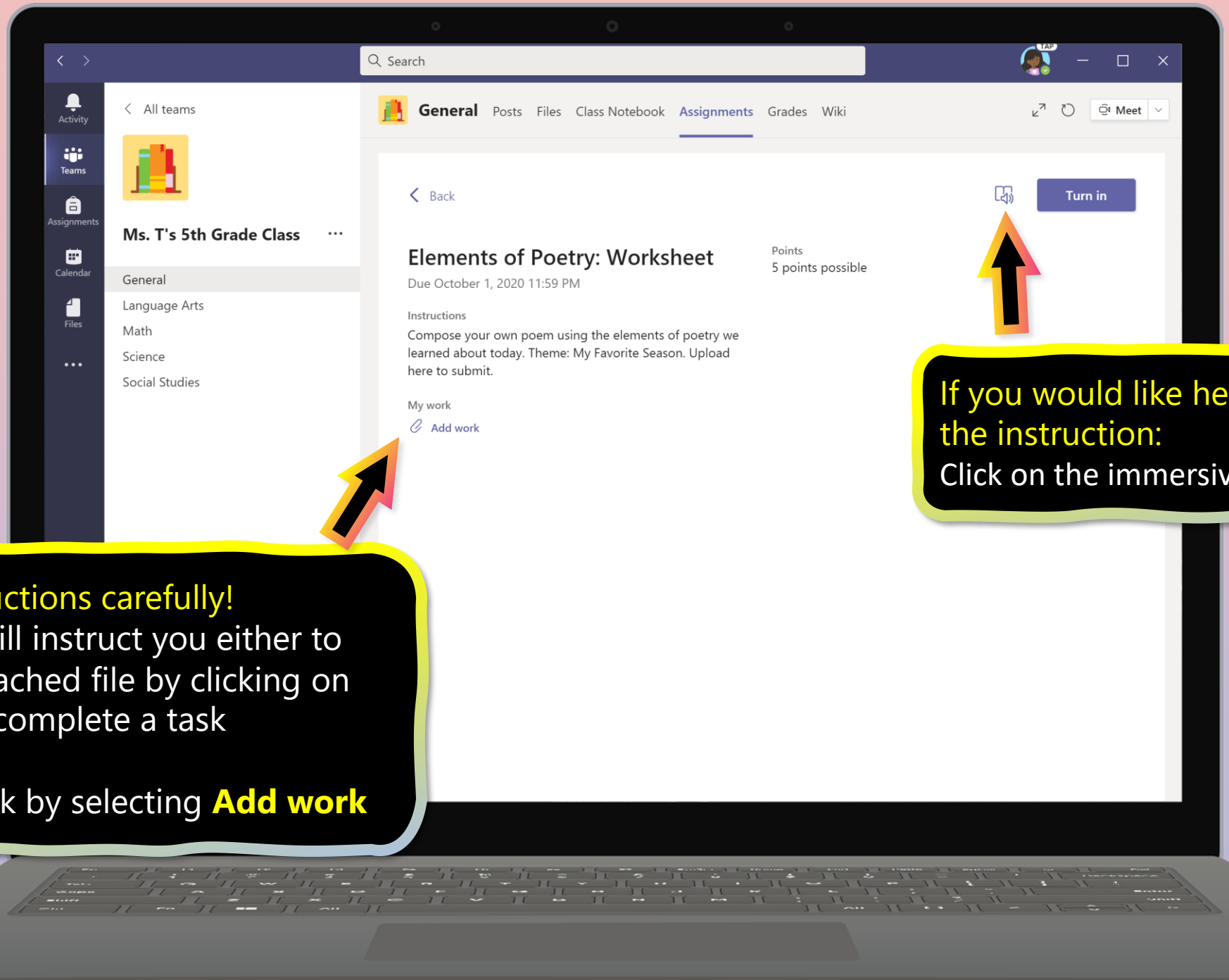
Option #1: To view all assignments, go to the General channel & select the Assignments tab.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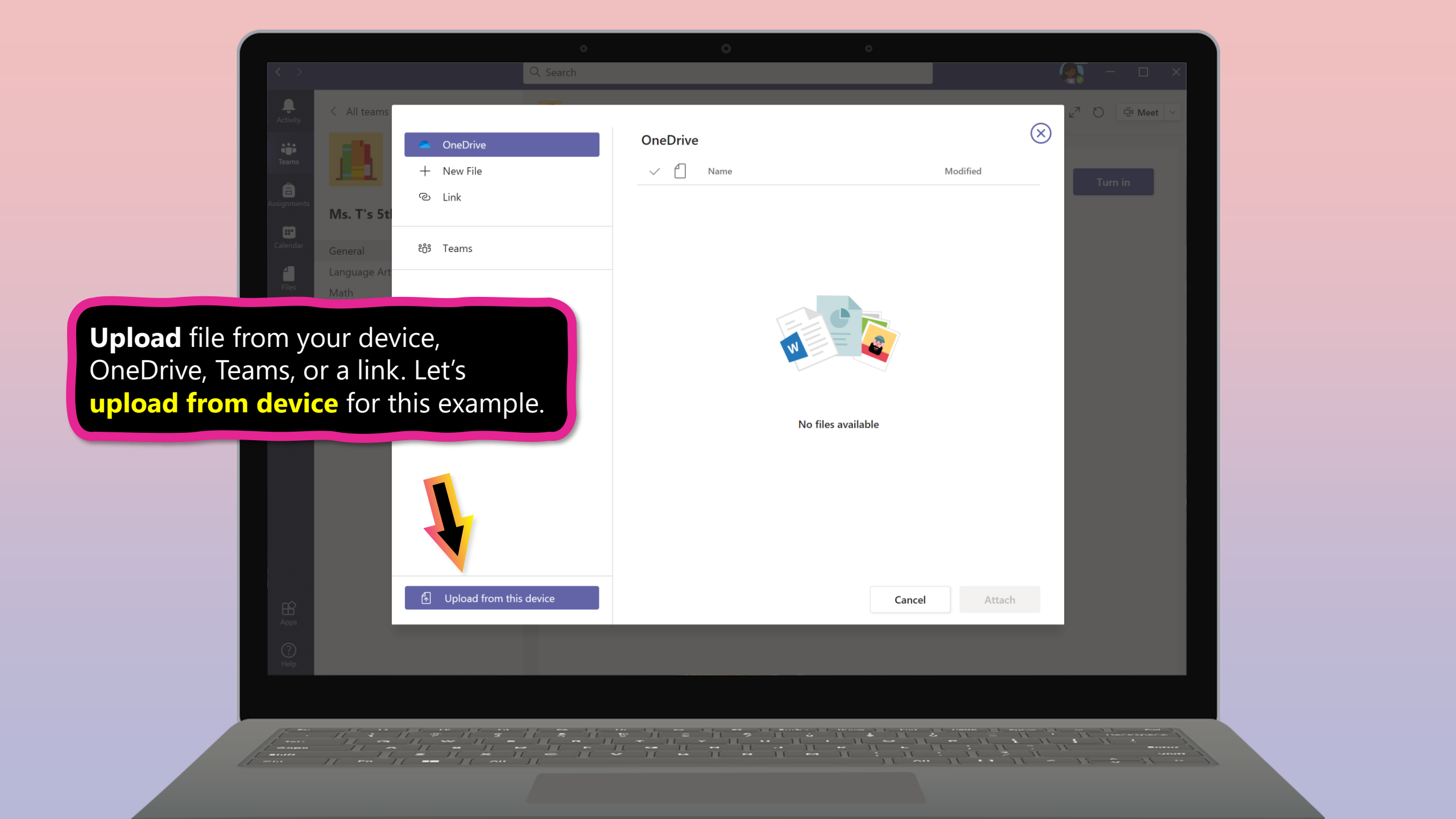
Due October 1, 2020 11:59 PM
Points
5 points possible
Instructions
Compose your own poem using the elements of poetry we learned about today. Theme: My Favorite Season. Upload here to submit.
My work
Add work
If you would like help to read the instruction:
Click on the immersive reader icon
Read the instructions carefully!
Your teacher will instruct you either to
• open an attached file by clicking on it and then complete a task
or
• upload work by selecting **Add work**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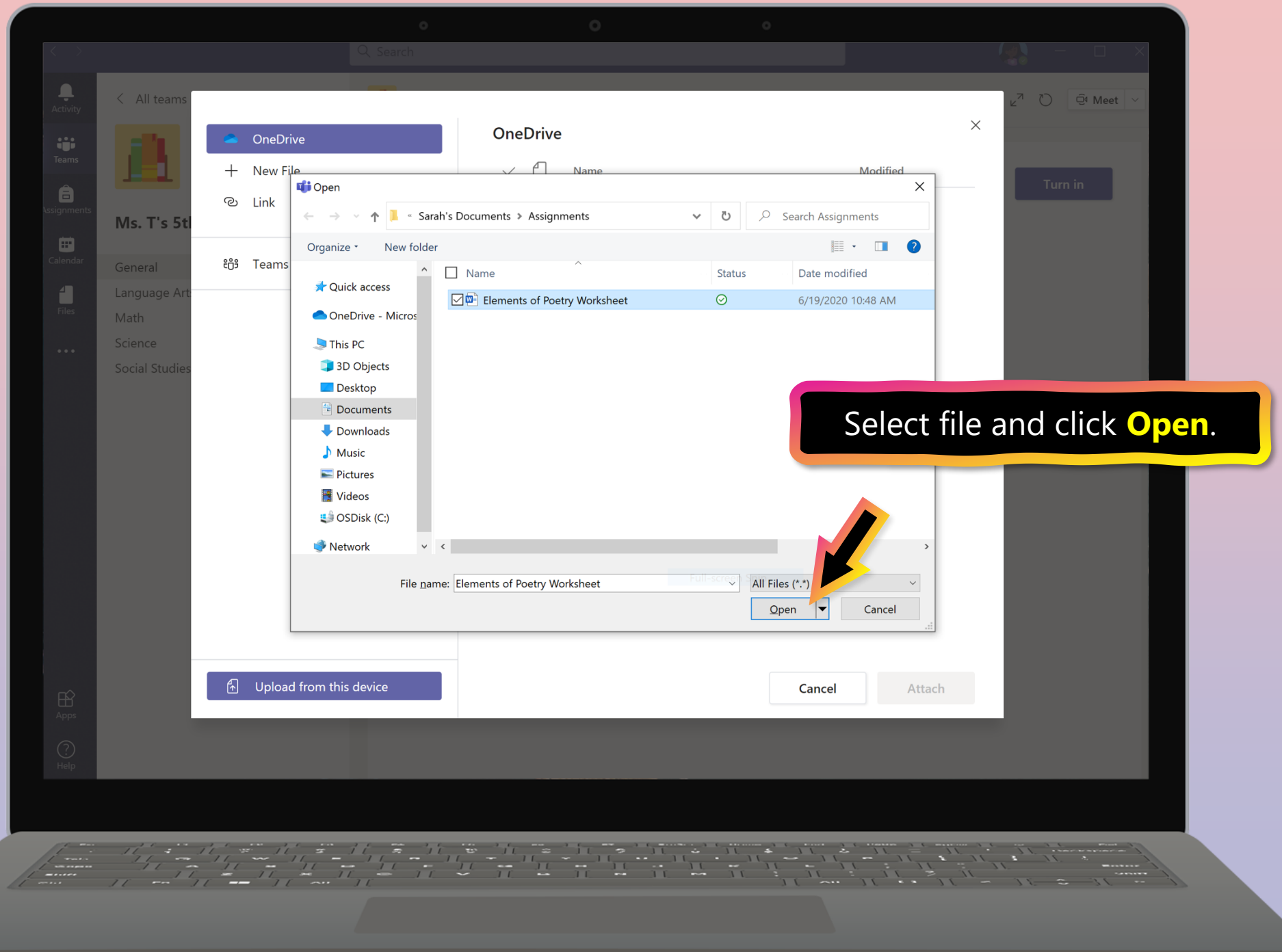
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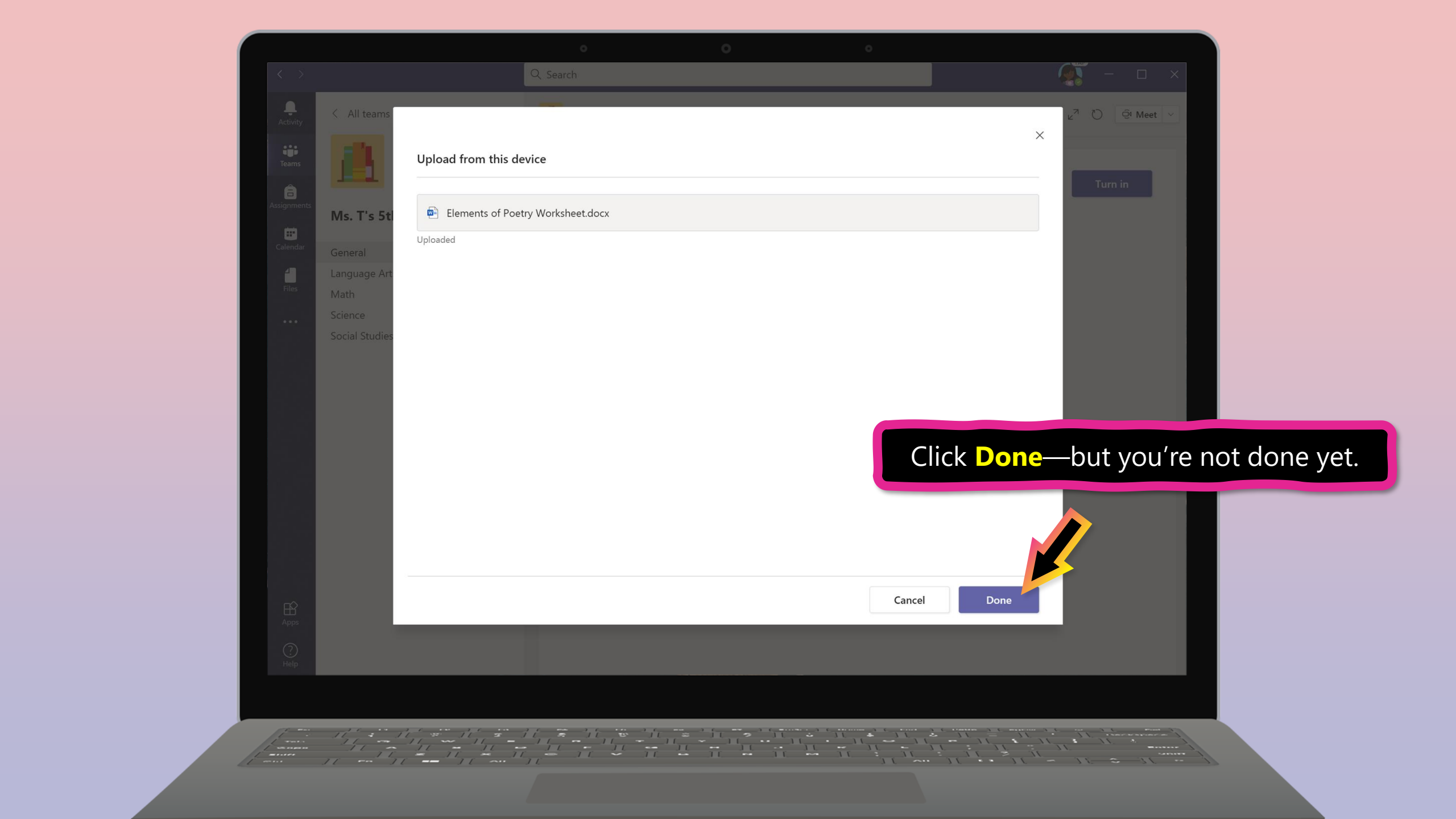
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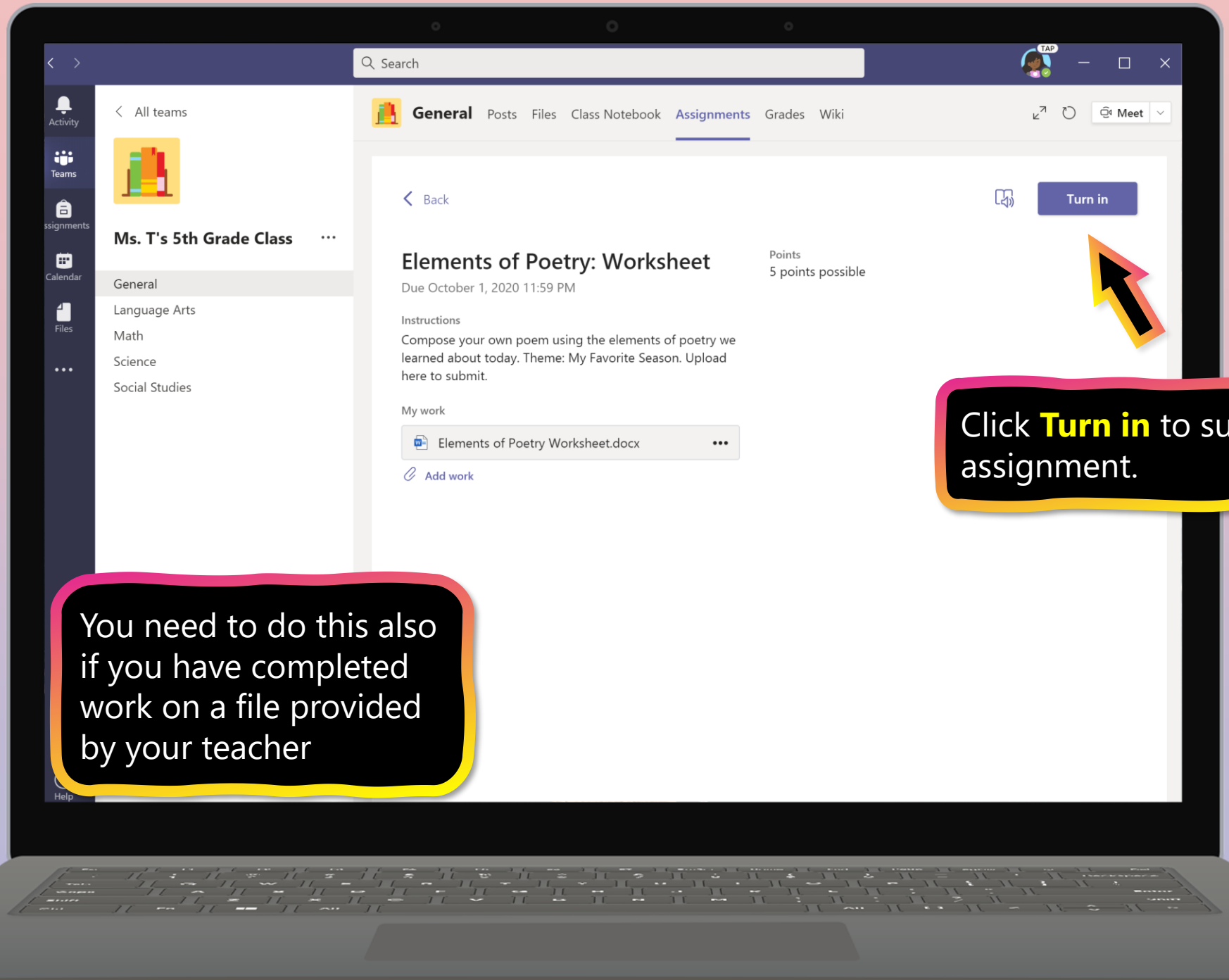
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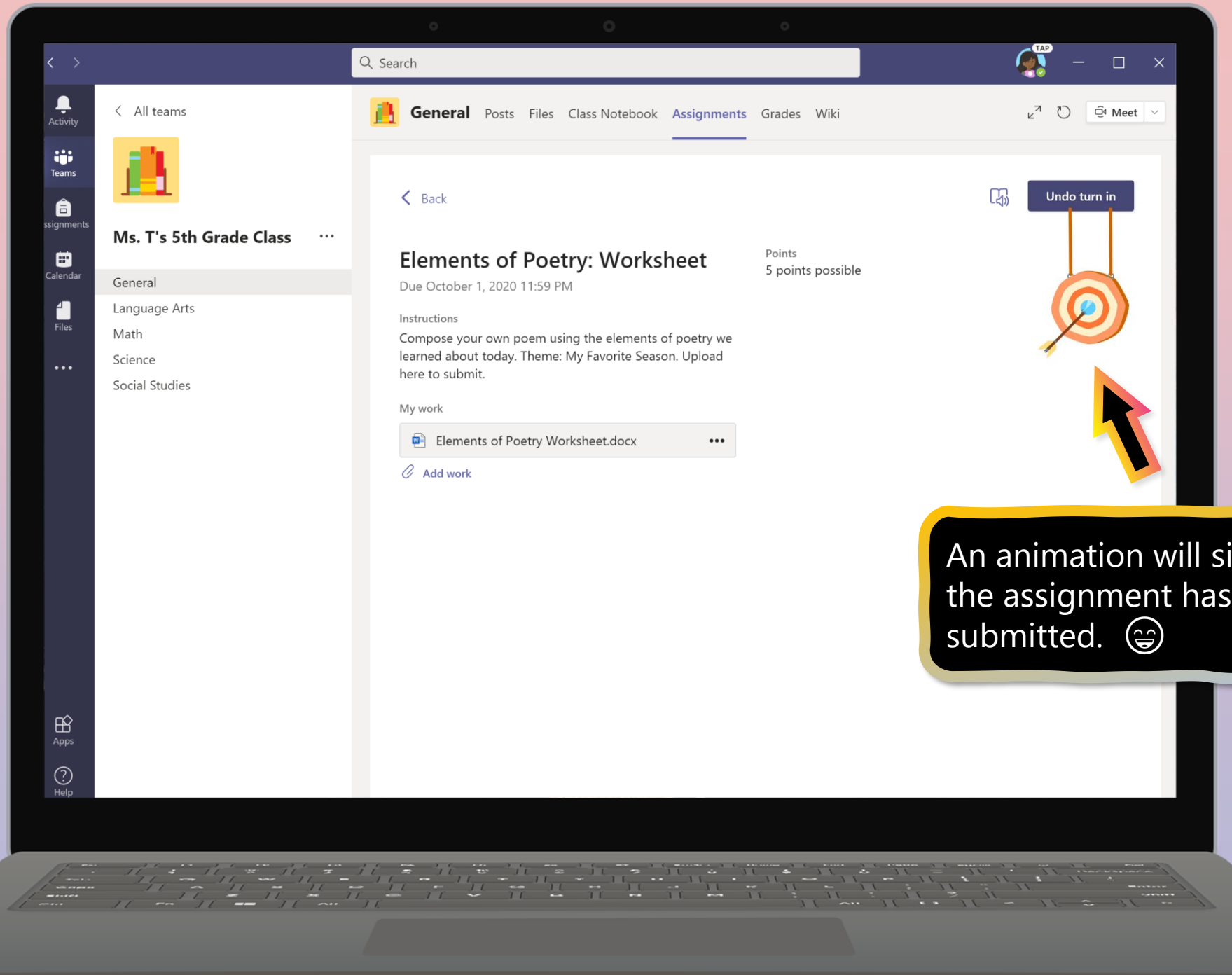
You need to do this also if you have completed work on a file provided by your teacher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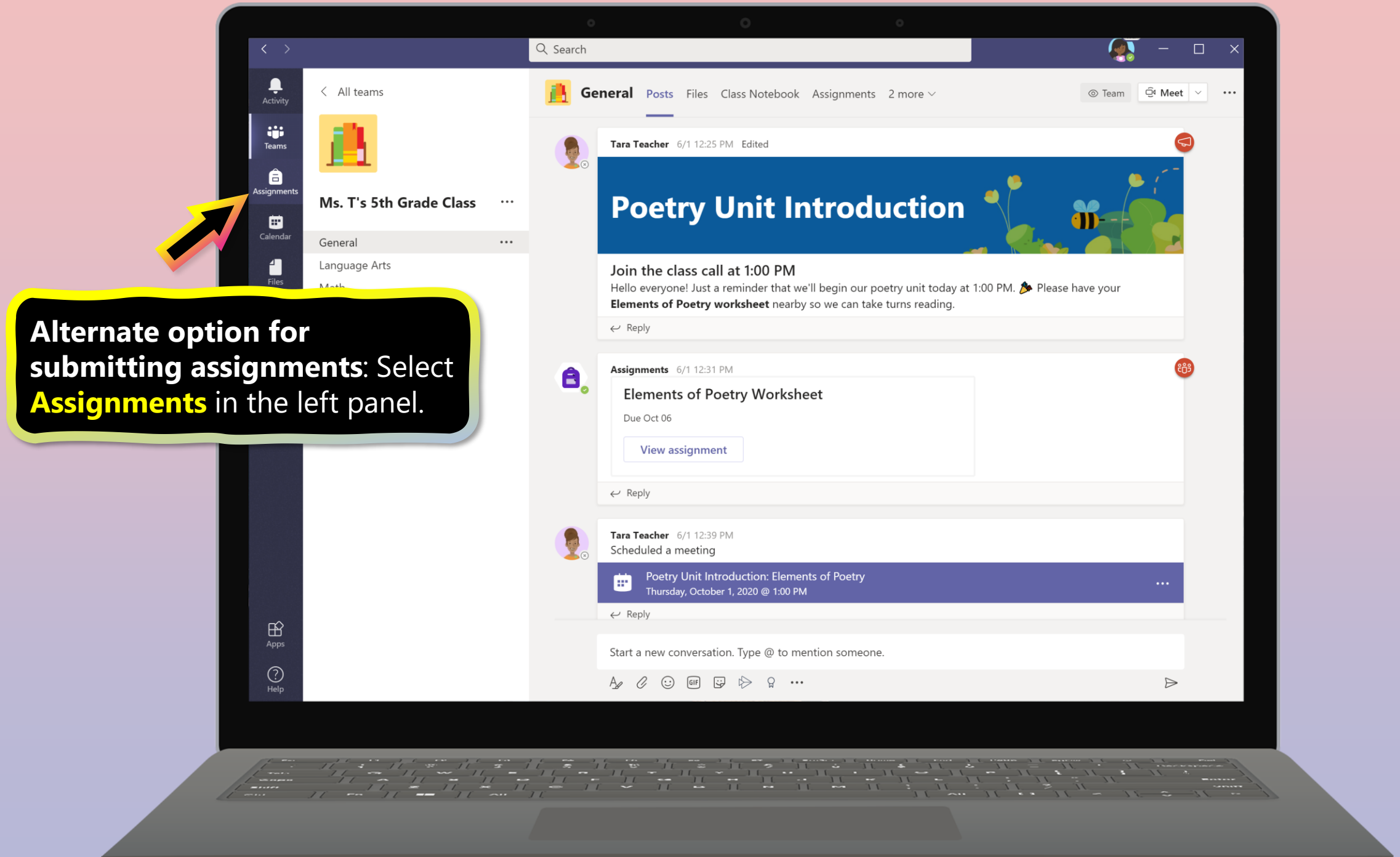
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Tara Teacher 6/1 12:25 PM Edited
Poetry Unit Introduction
Join the class call at 1:00 PM
Hello everyone! Just a reminder that we'll begin our poetry unit today at 1:00 PM. Please have your Elements of Poetry worksheet nearby so we can take turns reading.
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Assignments 6/1 12:31 PM
Elements of Poetry Worksheet
Due Oct 06
View assignment
Reply
Tara Teacher 6/1 12:39 PM
Scheduled a meeting
Poetry Unit Introduction: Elements of Poetry
Thursday, October 1, 2020 @ 1:00 PM
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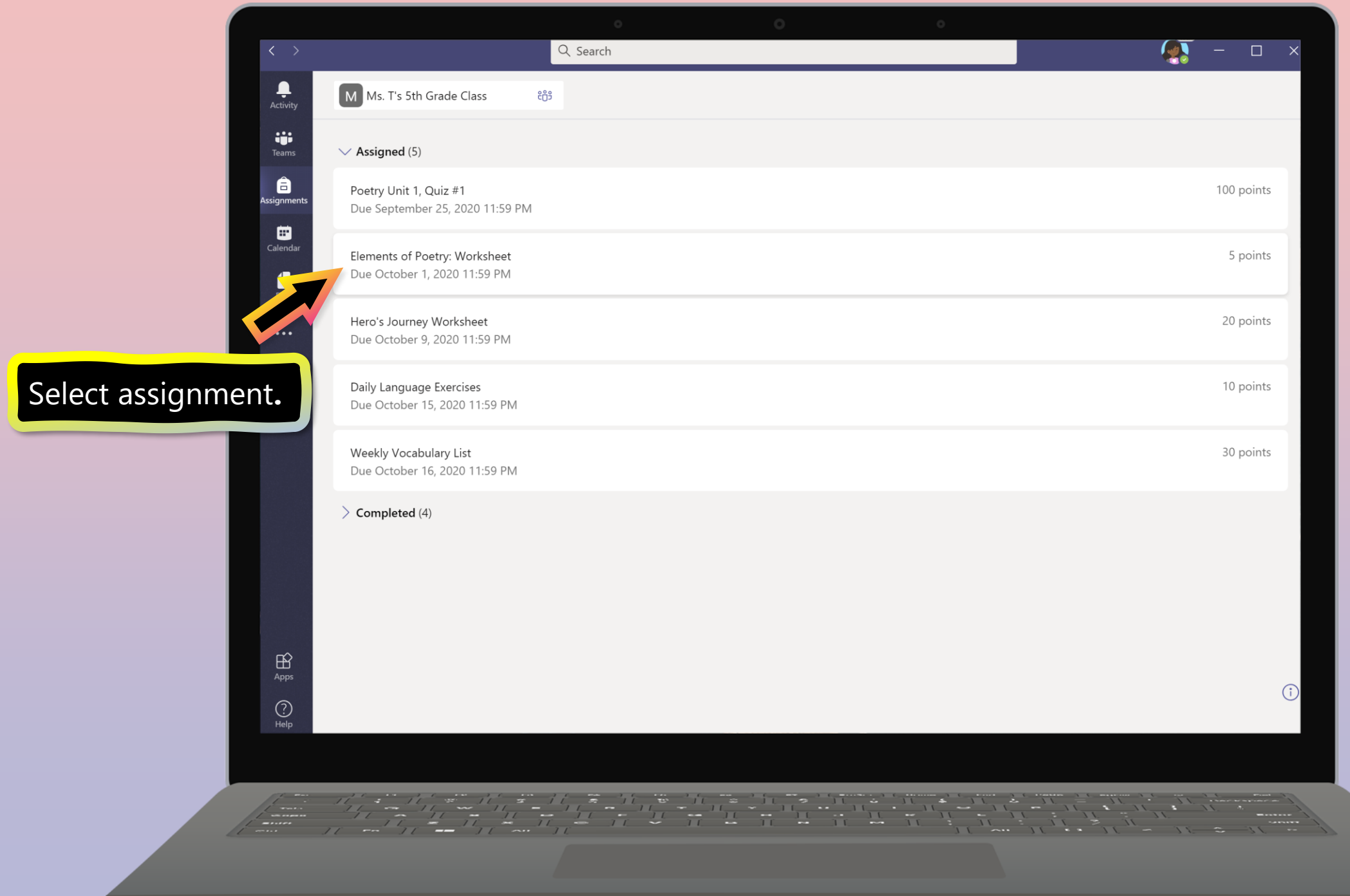
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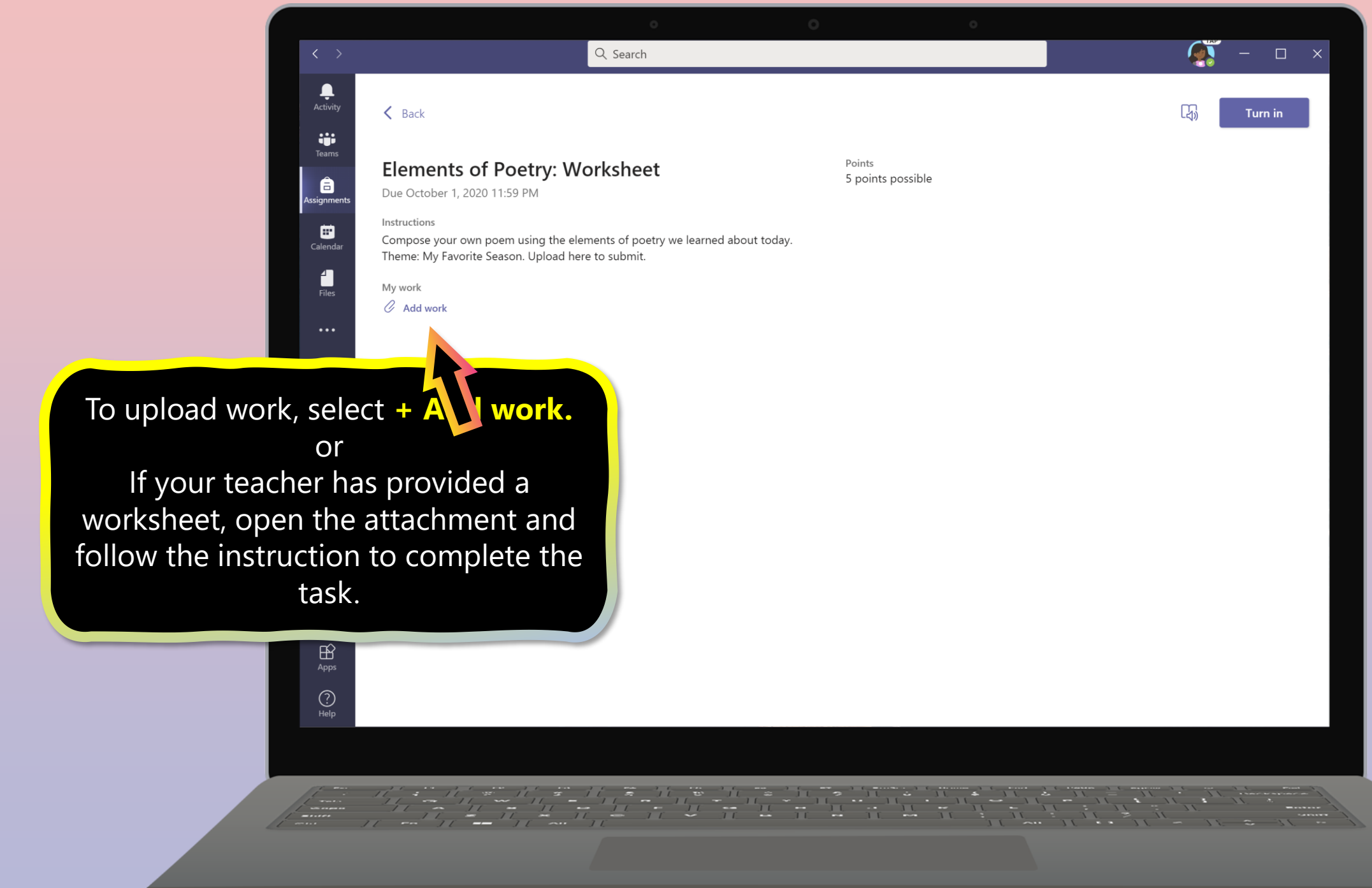
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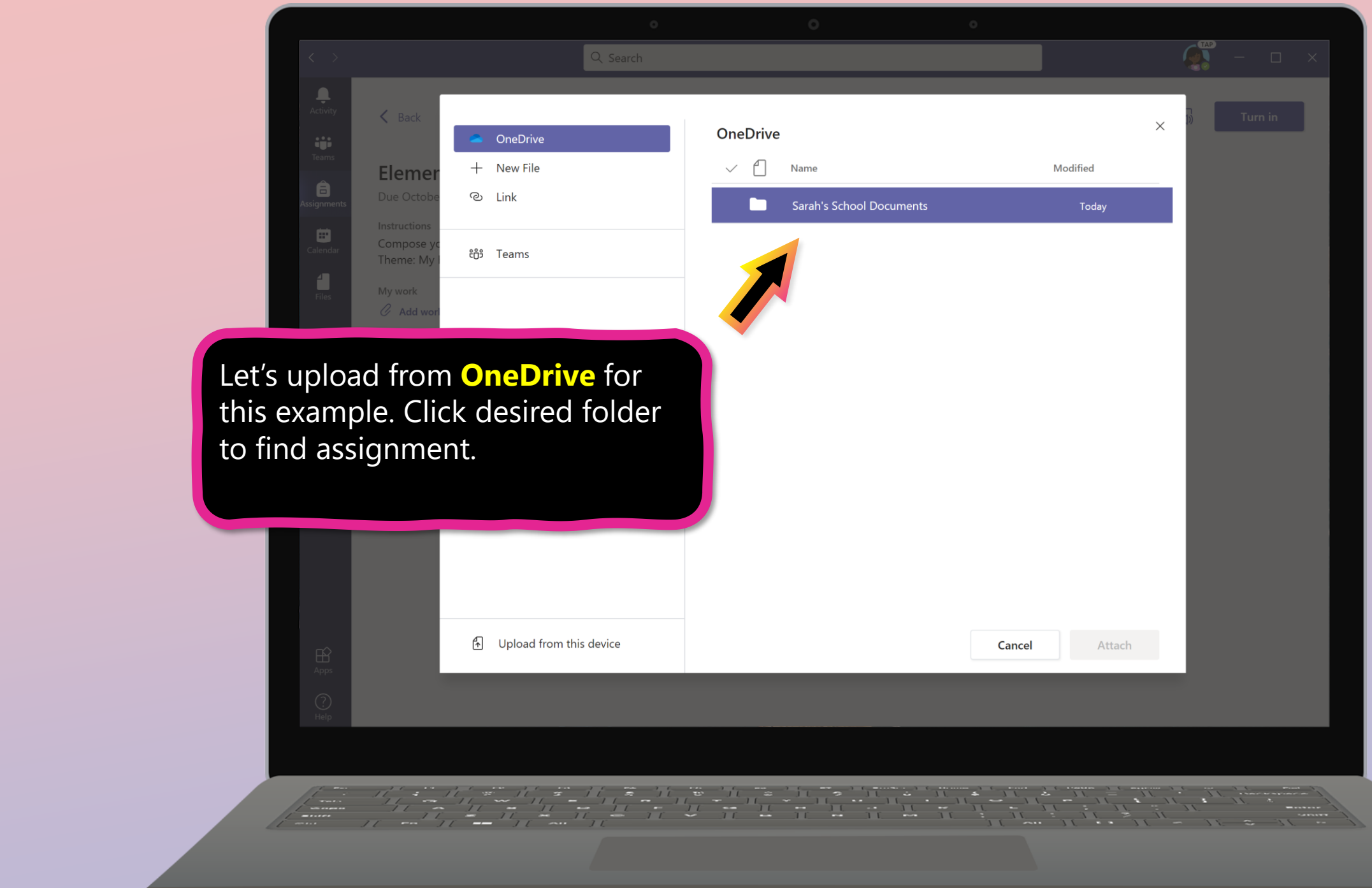
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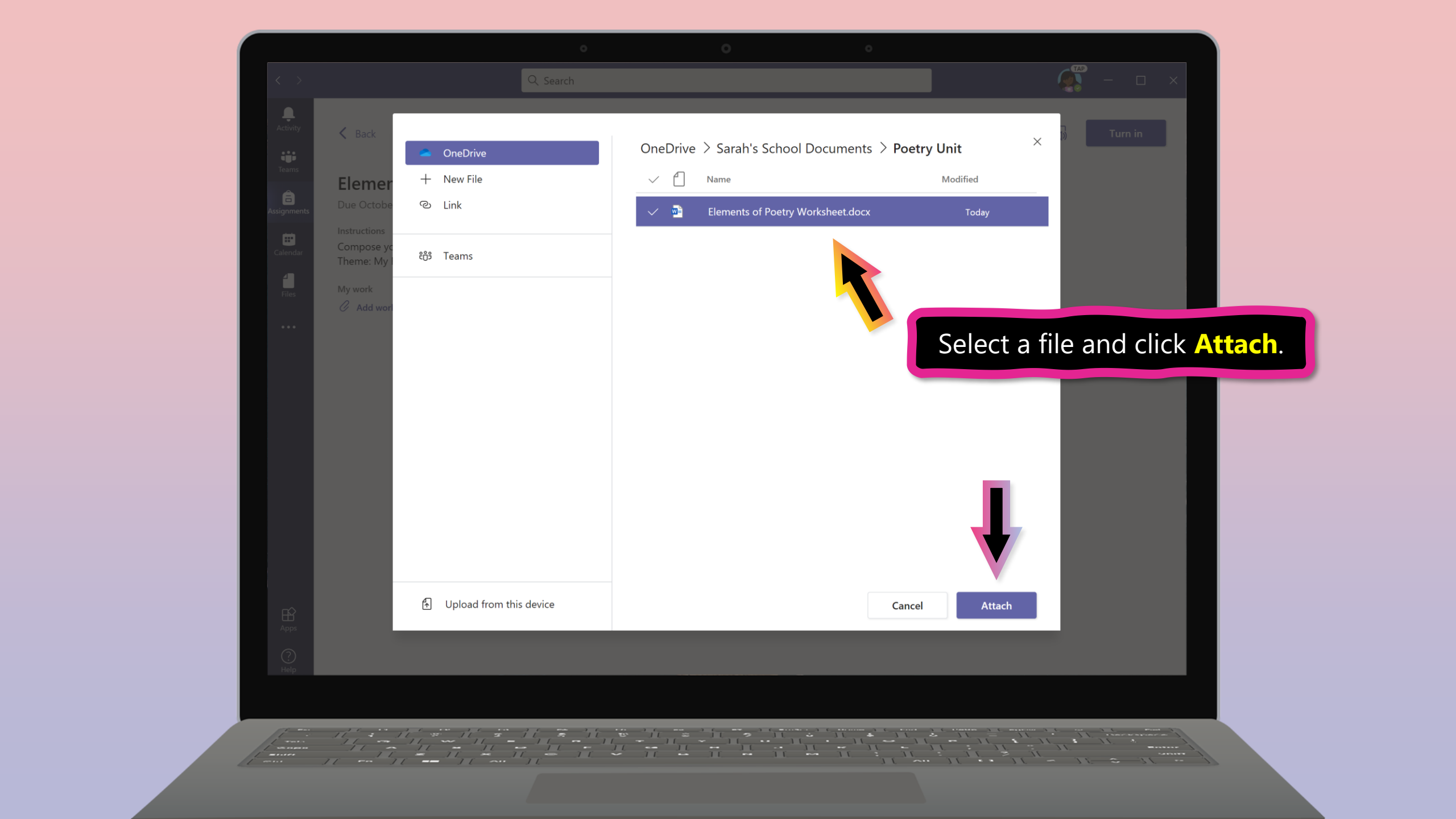
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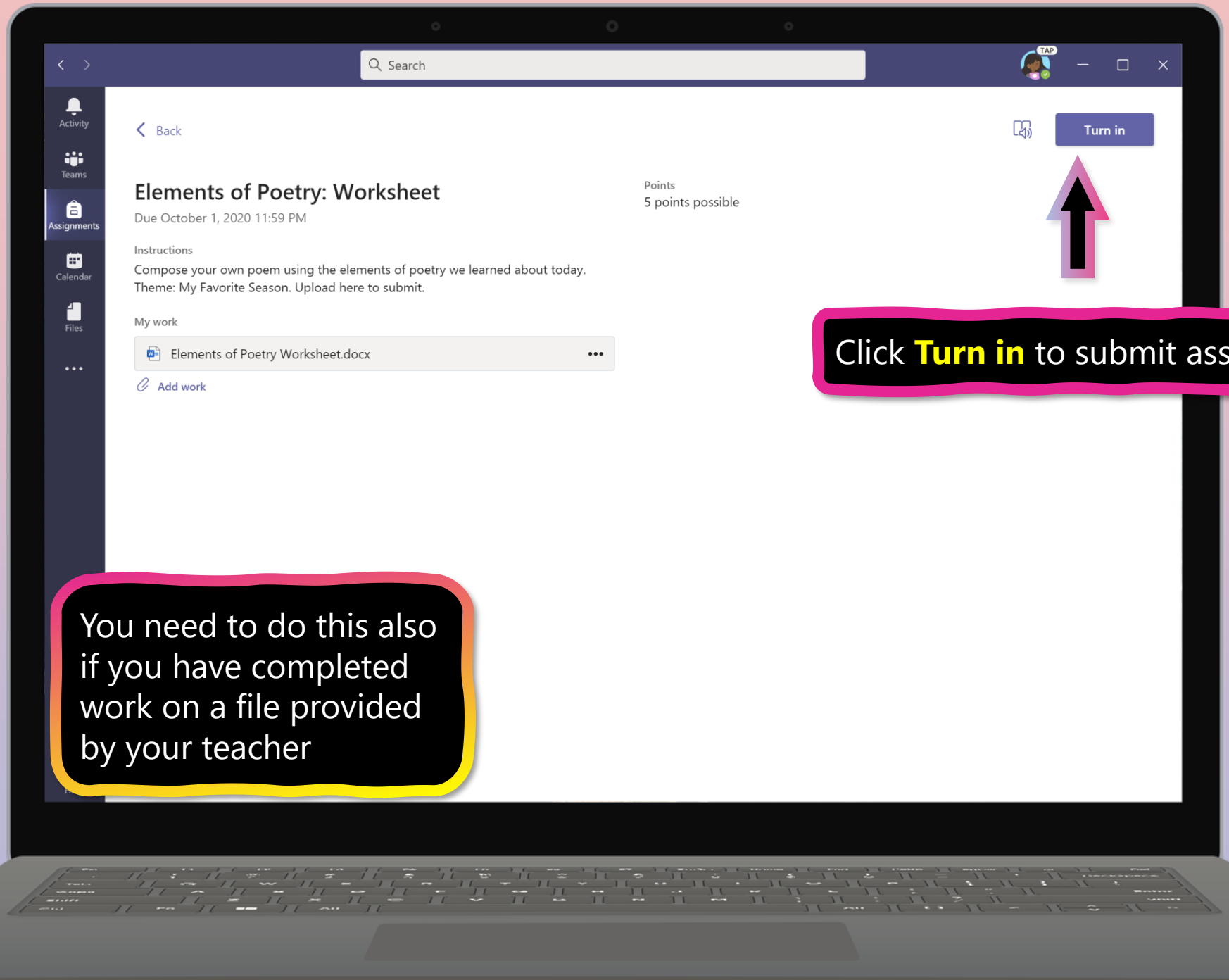
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Elements of Poetry: Worksheet

Due October 1, 2020 11:59 PM

Points
5 points possible

Instructions
Compose your own poem using the elements of poetry we learned about today. Theme: My Favorite Season. Upload here to submit.

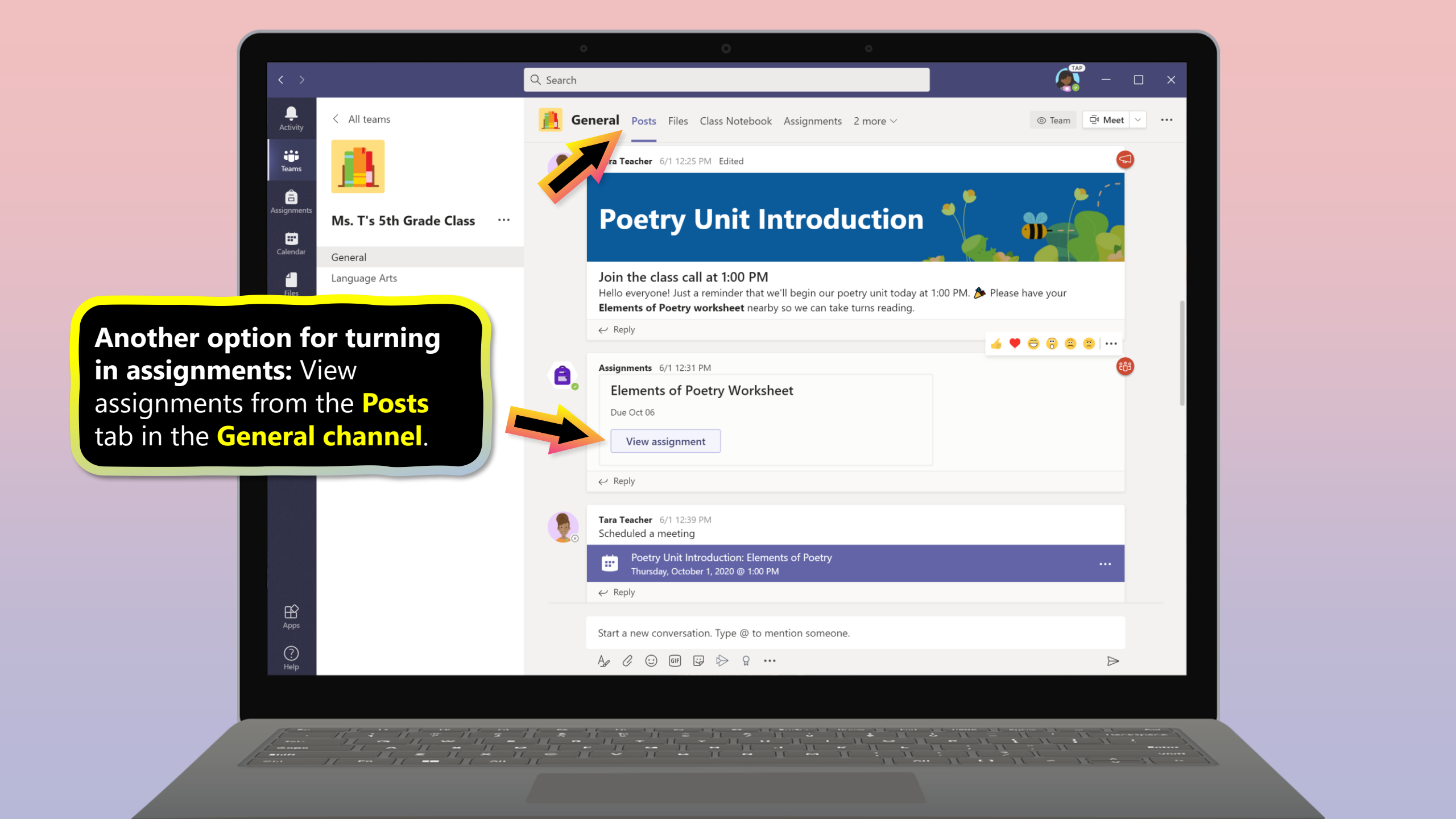
My work

Elements of Poetry Worksheet.docx

Add work

Undo turn in

An animation will signal that the assignment as been turned in. 😍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Join the class call at 1:00 PM
Hello everyone! Just a reminder that we'll begin our poetry unit today at 1:00 PM. Please have your Elements of Poetry worksheet nearby so we can take turns reading.
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Scheduled a meeting
Poetry Unit Introduction: Elements of Poetry
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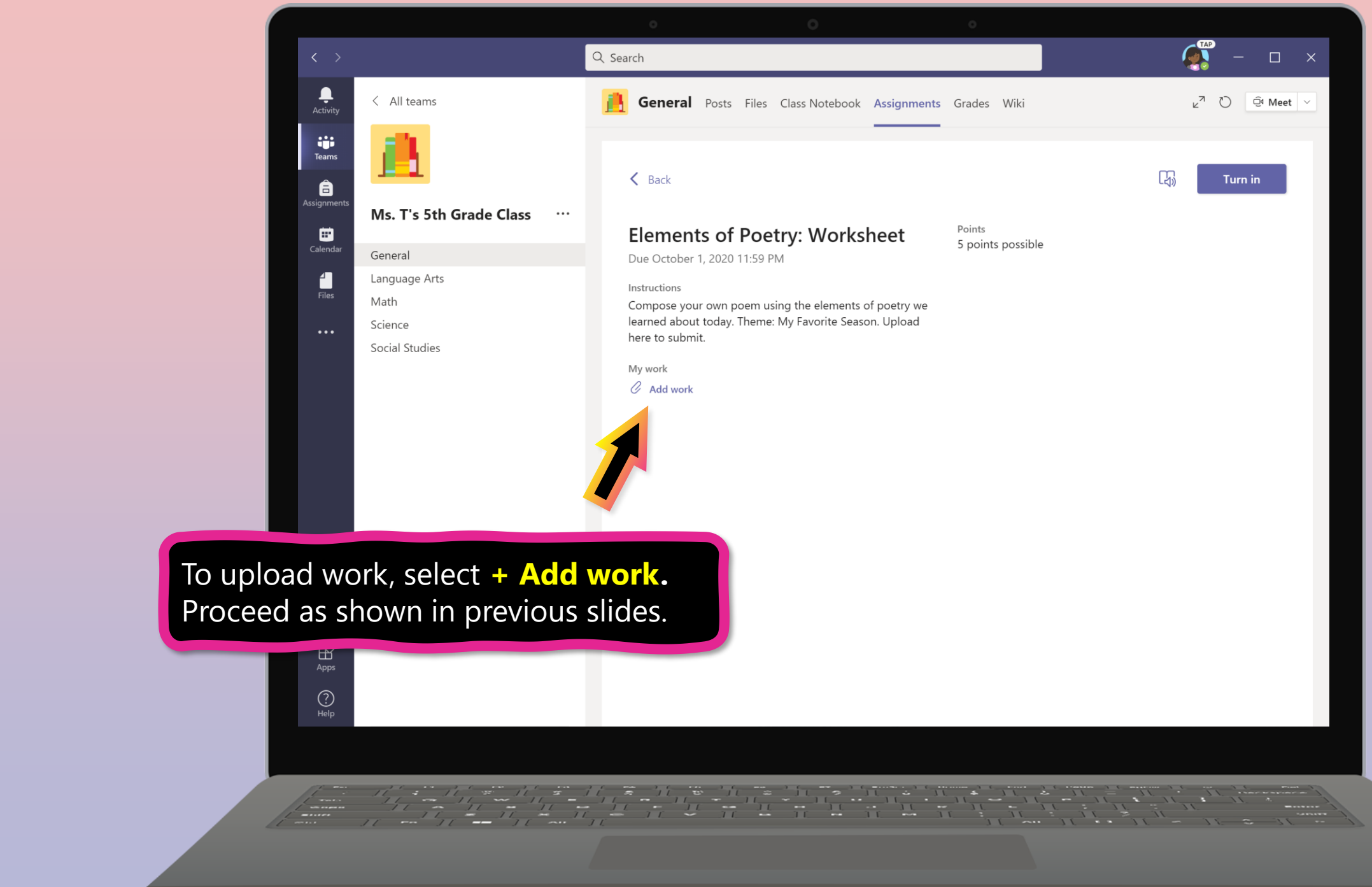
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Add work
To upload work, select + Add work.
Proceed as shown in previous slides.

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How to help your student use Teams

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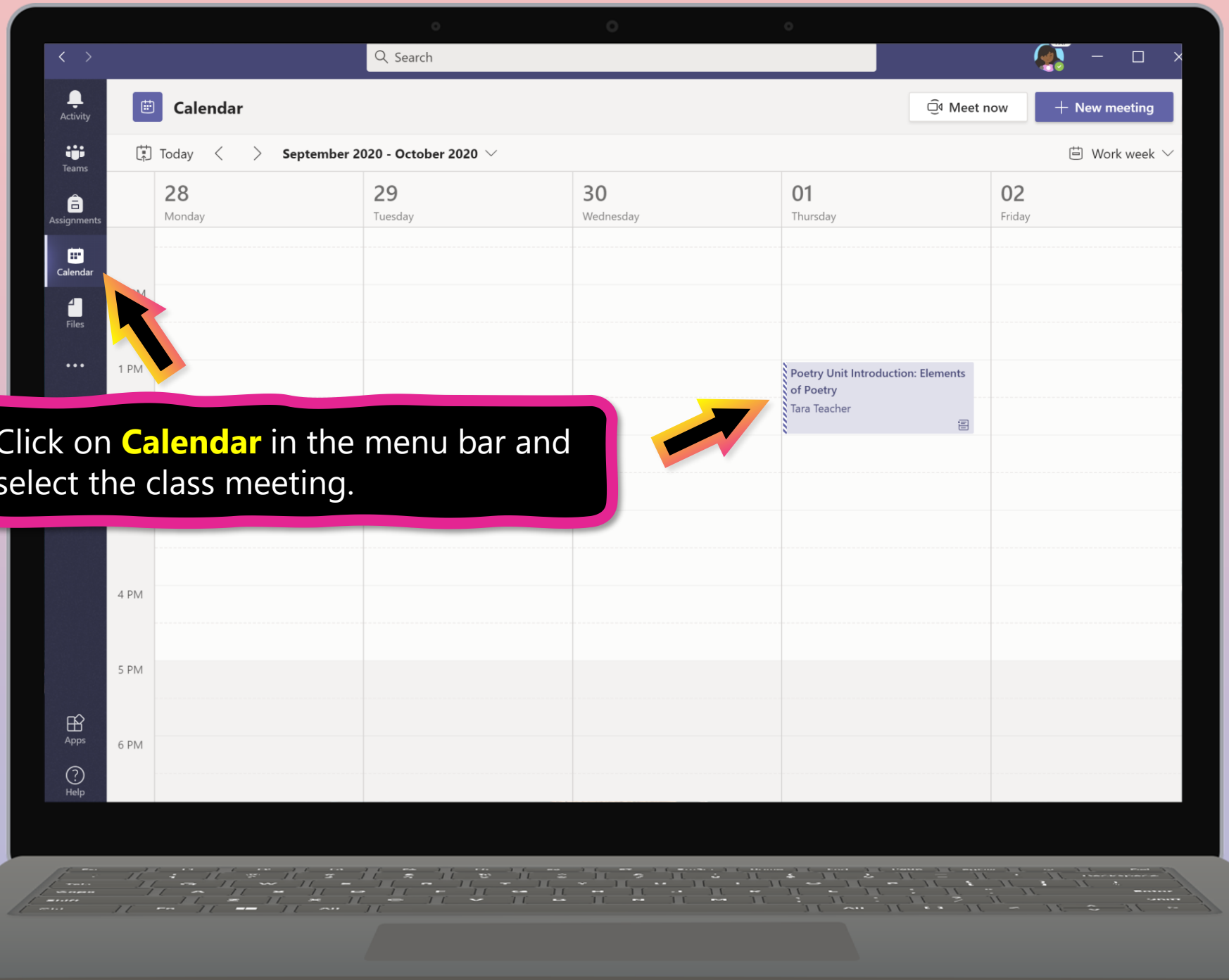
3. **Attend a virtual class**
4. Find grades
5. Chat with teachers and classmates

Your student can attend class and customize their virtual experience with video & microphone settings.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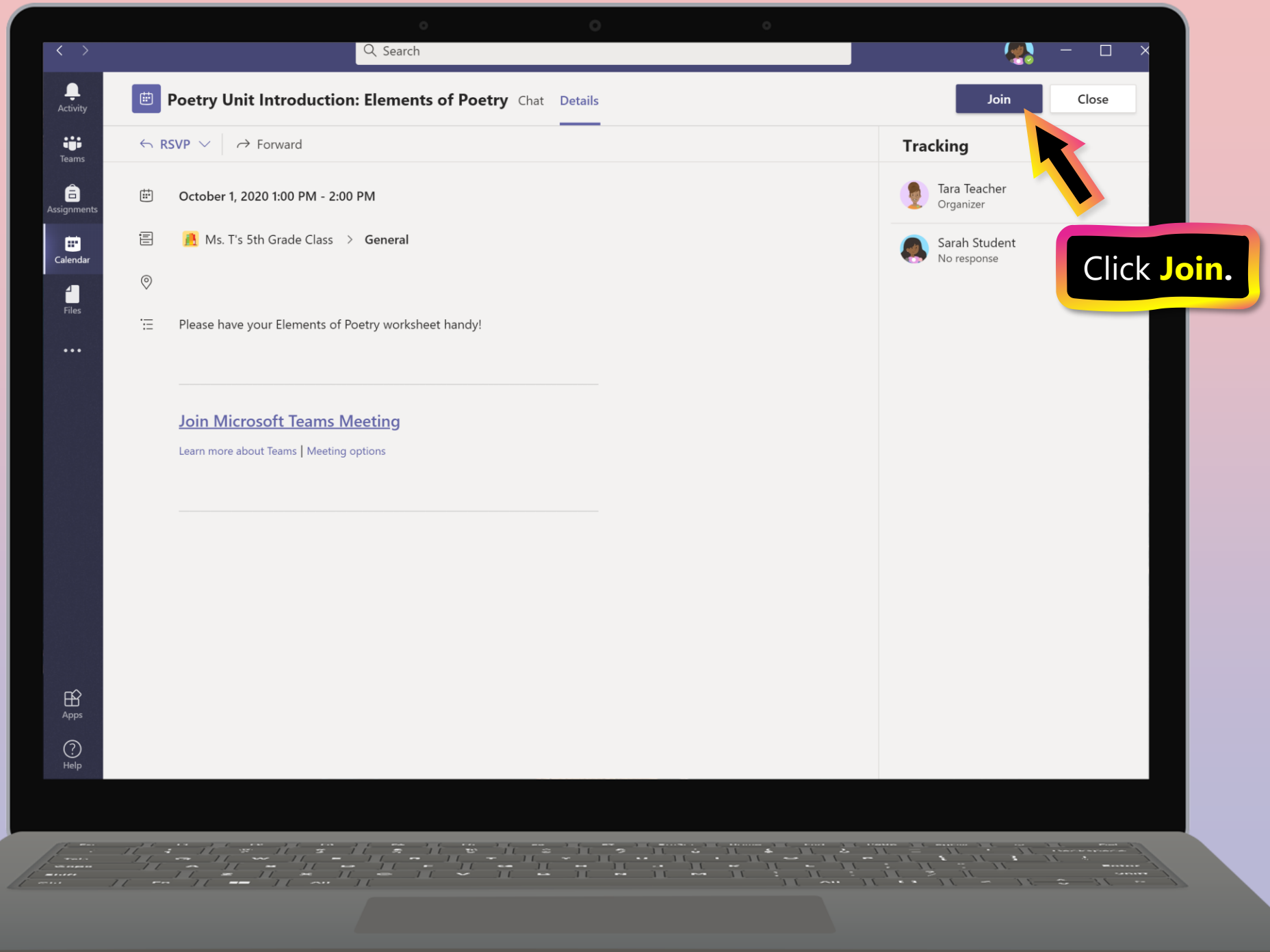
Poetry Unit Introduction: Elements of Poetry
Tara Teacher
Click on Calendar in the menu bar and select the class meeting.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Ms. T's 5th Grade Class
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Please have your Elements of Poetry worksheet handy!
Join Microsoft Teams Meeting
Learn more about Teams | Meeting options
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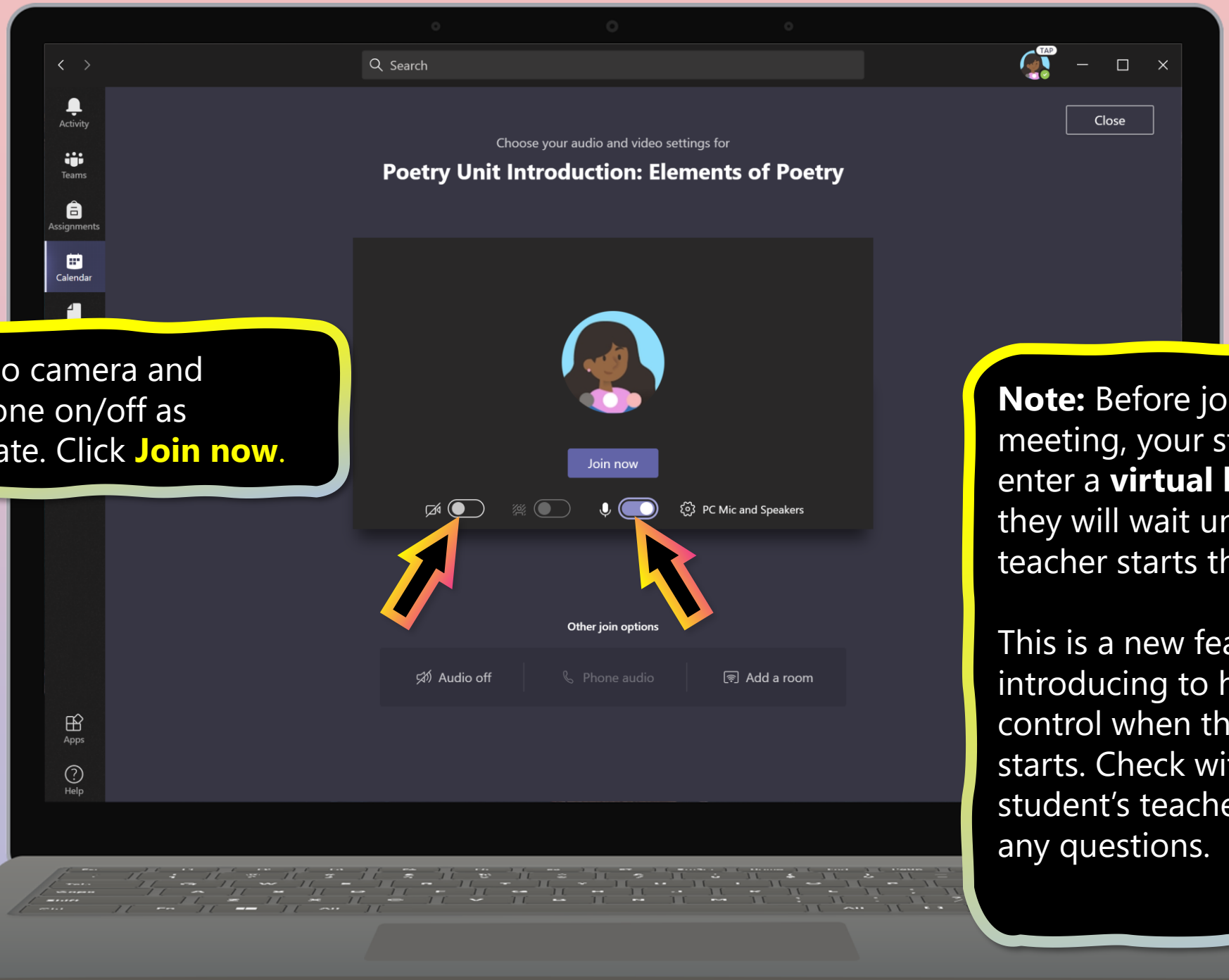
Sarah Student
No response
Click Join.



Turn video camera and microphone on/off as appropriate. Click **Join now**.

Note: Before joining the meeting, your student might enter a **virtual lobby** where they will wait until the teacher starts the meeting.

This is a new feature we're introducing to help teachers control when the meeting starts. Check with your student's teacher if you have any questions.

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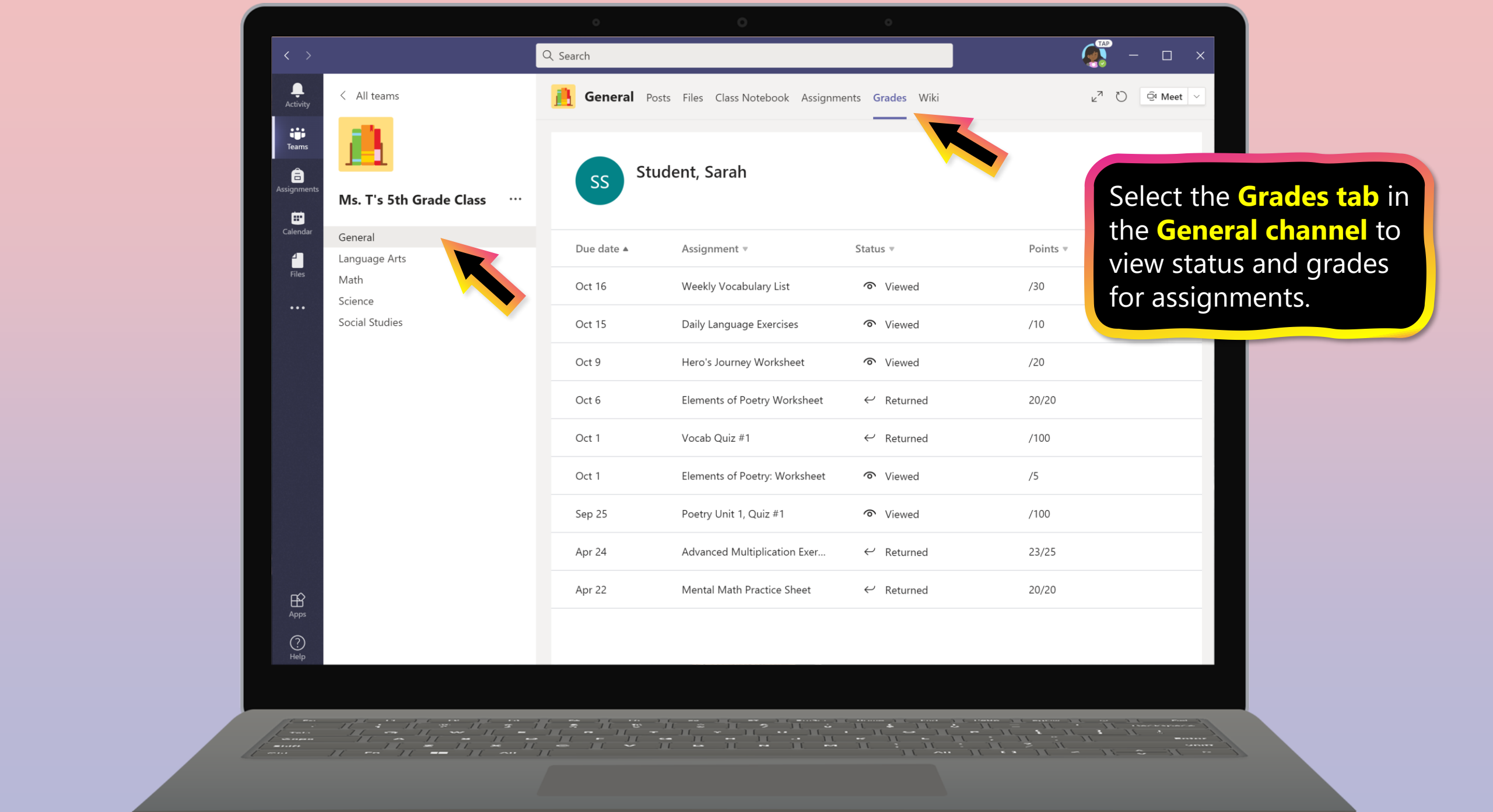
You and your student can use Teams to keep tabs on assignment status and easily find grades in this quick-view list.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Oct 15 Daily Language Exercises Viewed /10
Oct 9 Hero's Journey Worksheet Viewed /20
Oct 6 Elements of Poetry Worksheet Returned 20/20
Oct 1 Vocab Quiz #1 Returned /100
Oct 1 Elements of Poetry: Worksheet Viewed /5
Sep 25 Poetry Unit 1, Quiz #1 Viewed /100
Apr 24 Advanced Multiplication Exer... Returned 23/25
Apr 22 Mental Math Practice Sheet Returned 20/20
Select the Grades tab in the General channel to view status and grades for assignments.

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FAQ & Troubleshooting

1. My student's login isn't working.
2. I can't find my student's class during set-up.
3. My student's assignments are missing.
4. My student missed a class—what now?
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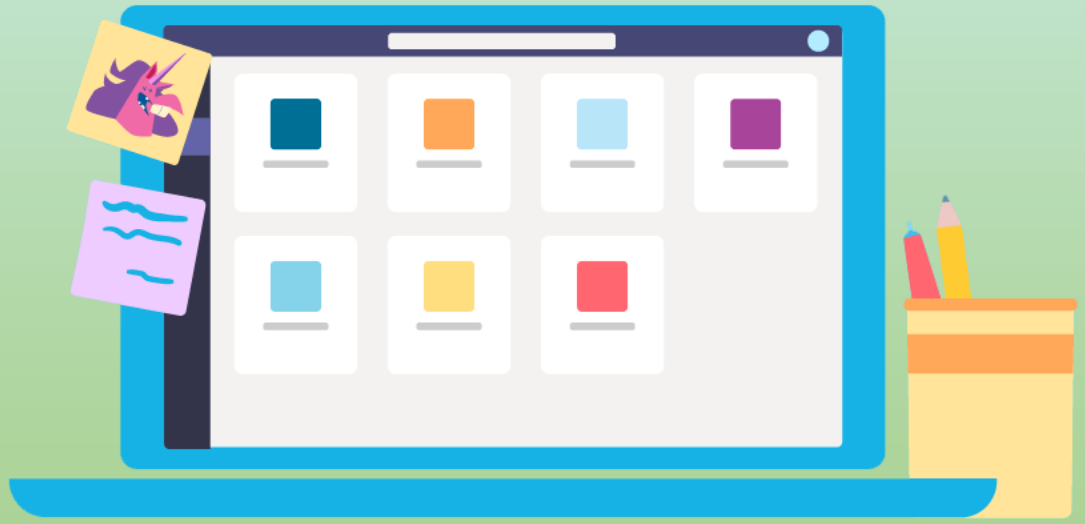
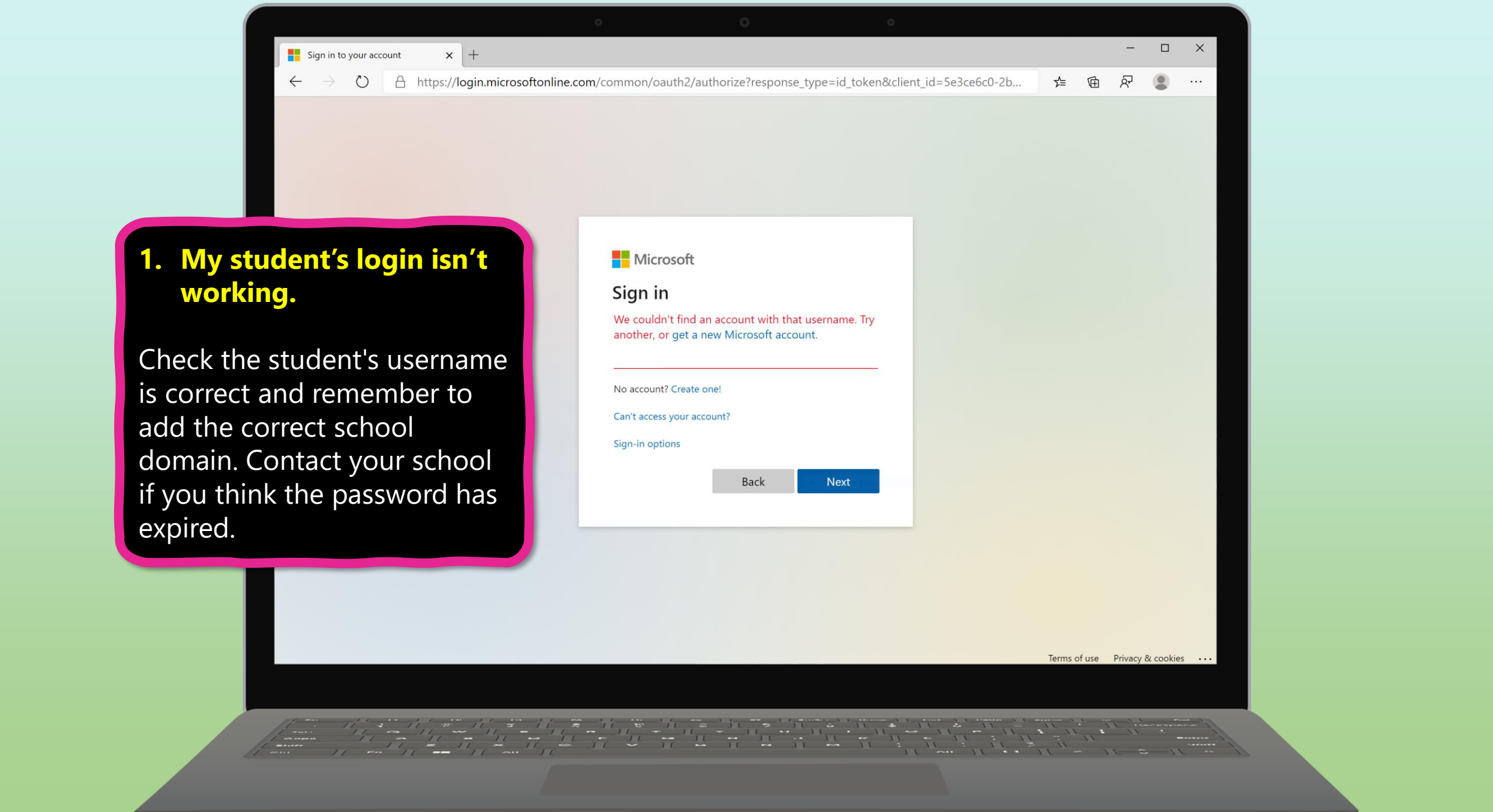
6. What do I do if we have low internet bandwidth?
7. Audio troubleshooting
8. Additional resources





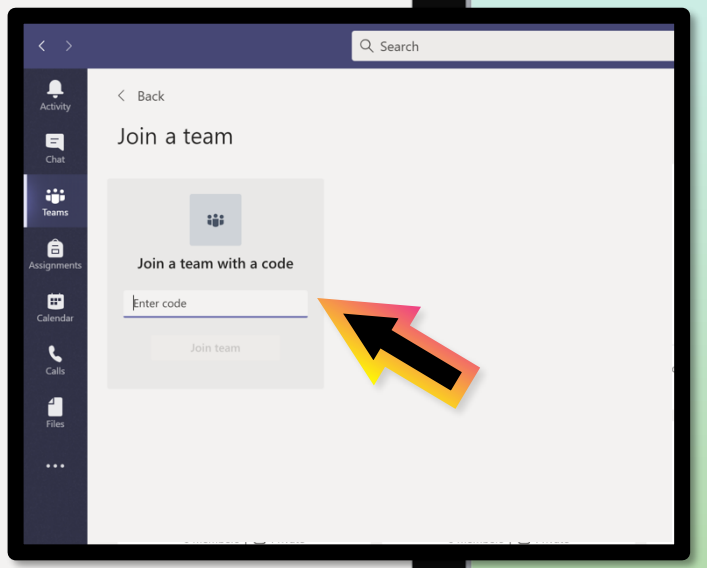
1. My student's login isn't working.

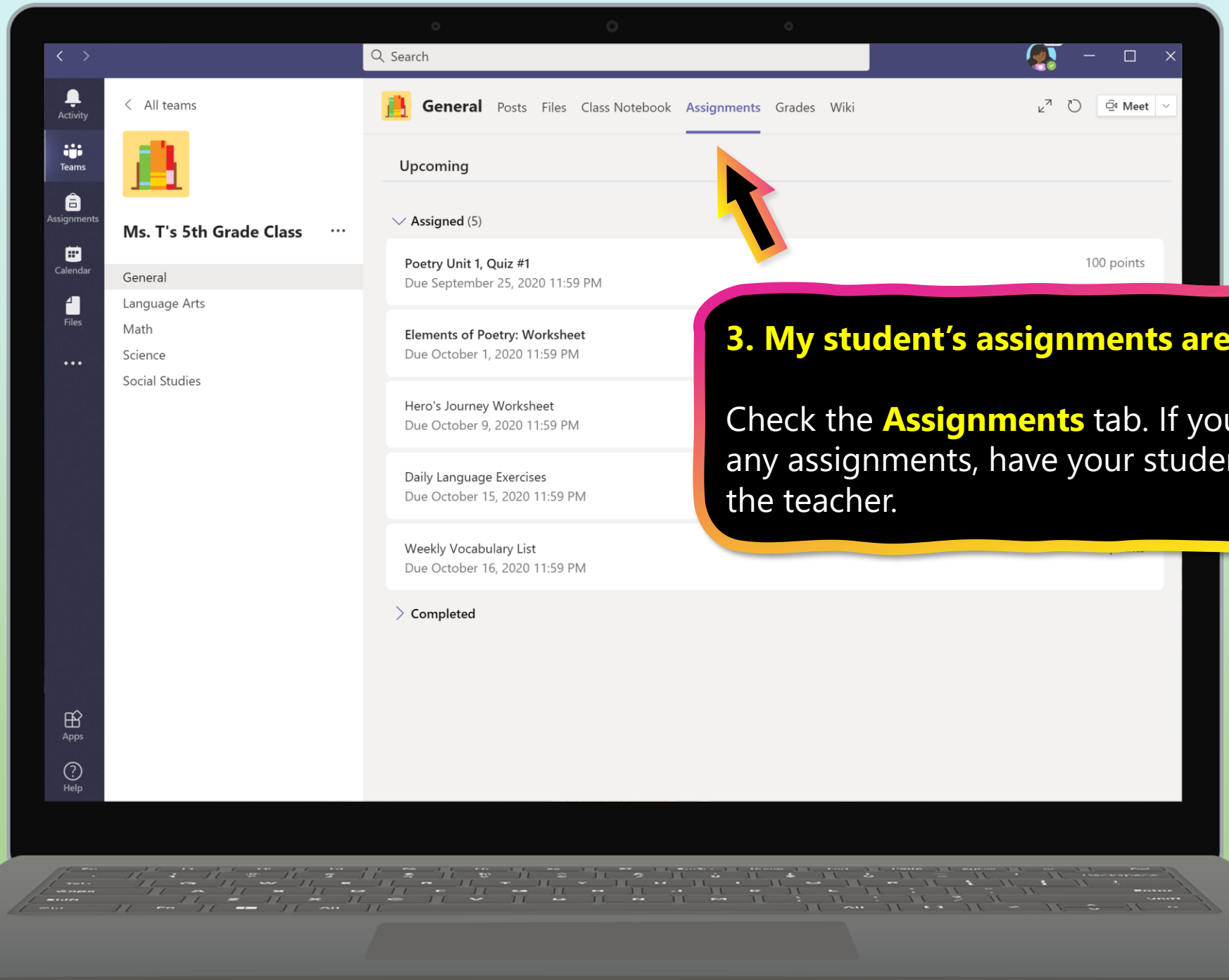
Check the student's username is correct and remember to add the correct school domain. Contact your school if you think the password has expired.

2. I can’t find my student’s class during set-up.

If you don’t see your student’s classes after you log in, the teacher may have invited you to join your class team with:

- A join code. From the Teams page, select **Join team** and enter the code.
- A unique link. Ask your student to check their email.

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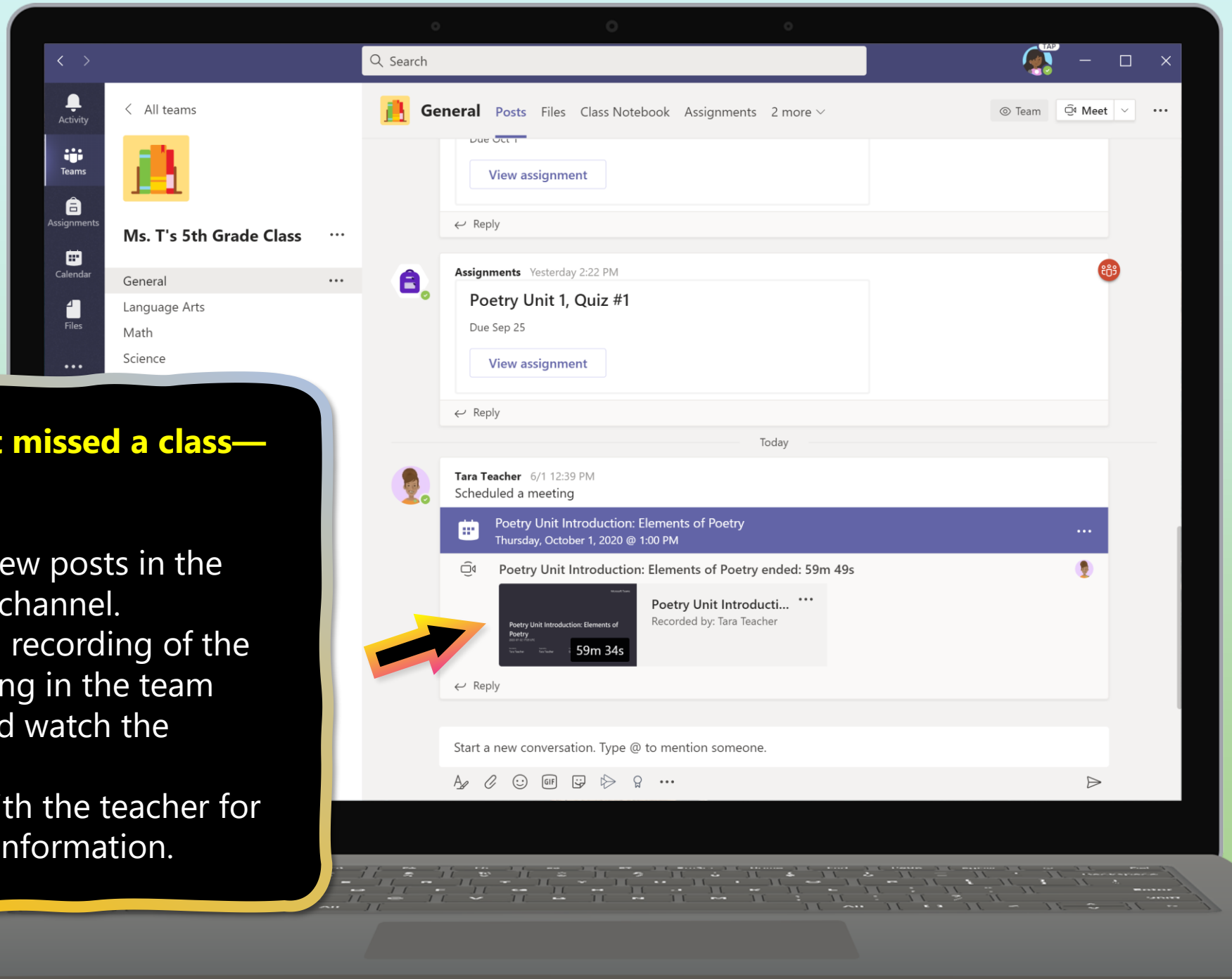
3. My student's assignments are missing.
Check the Assignments tab. If you don't see any assignments, have your student email the teacher.



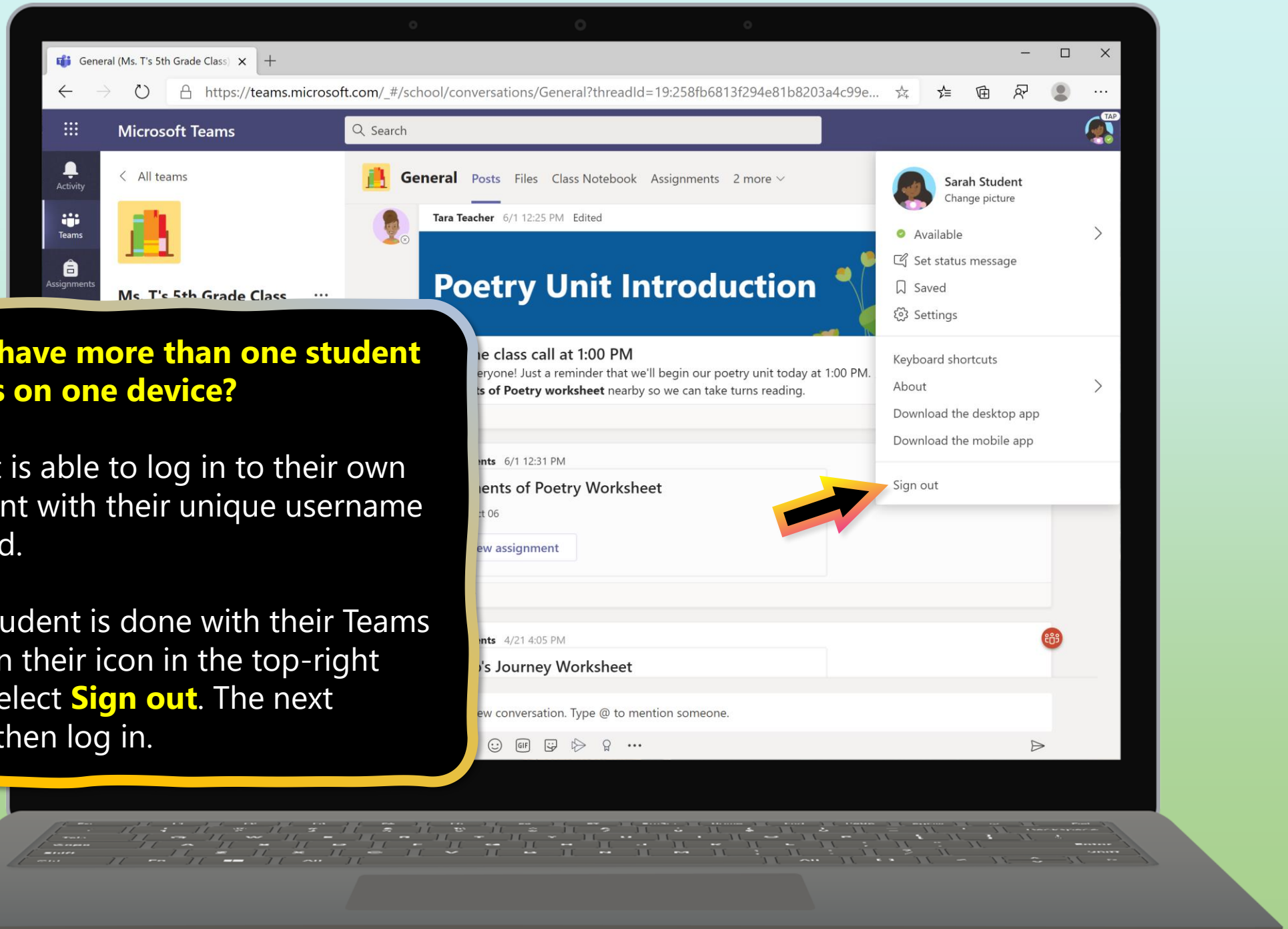
4. My student missed a class—what now?

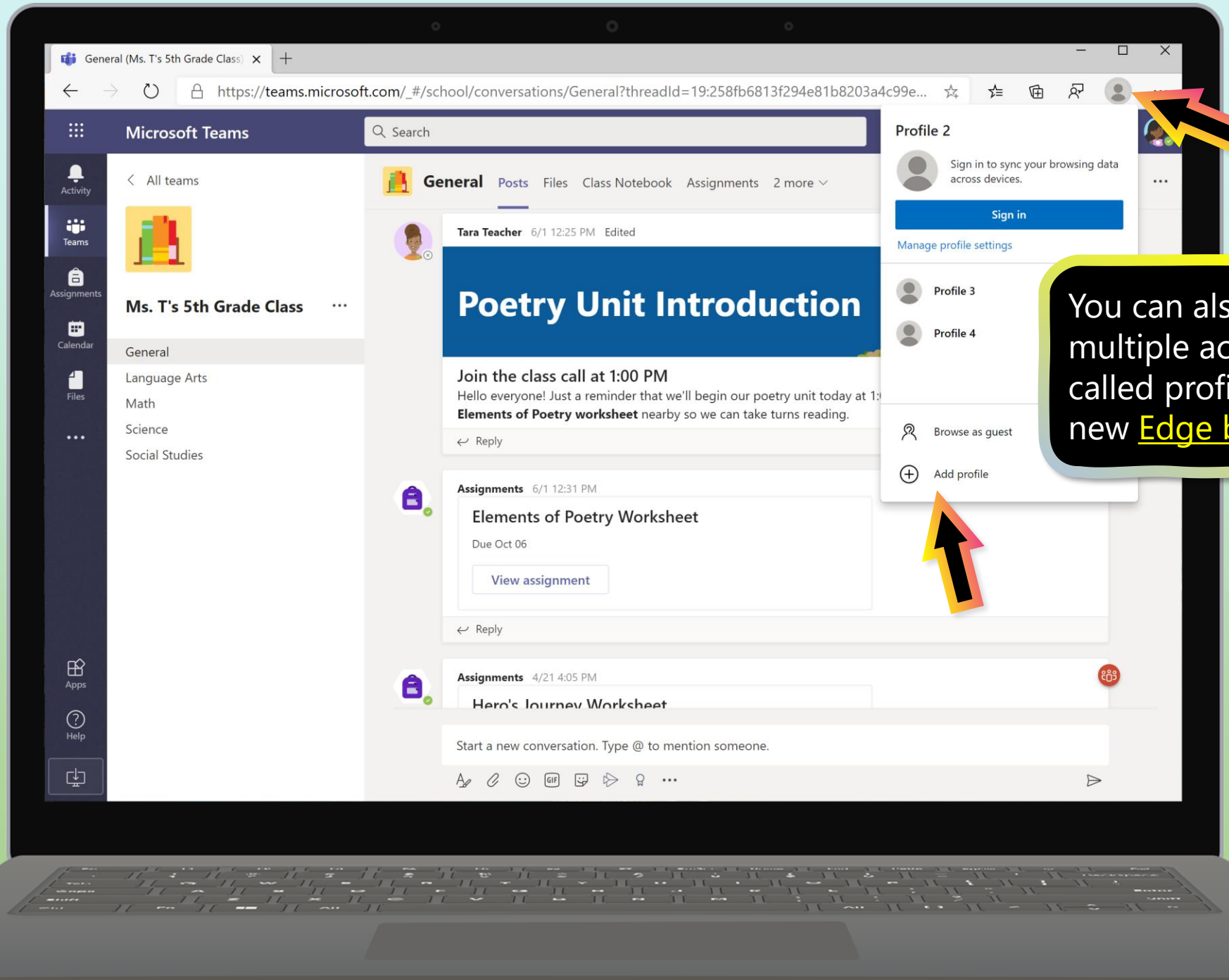
1. Read any new posts in the class team channel.
2. Check for a recording of the class meeting in the team channel and watch the meeting.
3. Check in with the teacher for additional information.

5. What if I have more than one student using Teams on one device?

Each student is able to log in to their own Teams account with their unique username and password.

When one student is done with their Teams work, click on their icon in the top-right corner and select **Sign out**. The next student can then log in.

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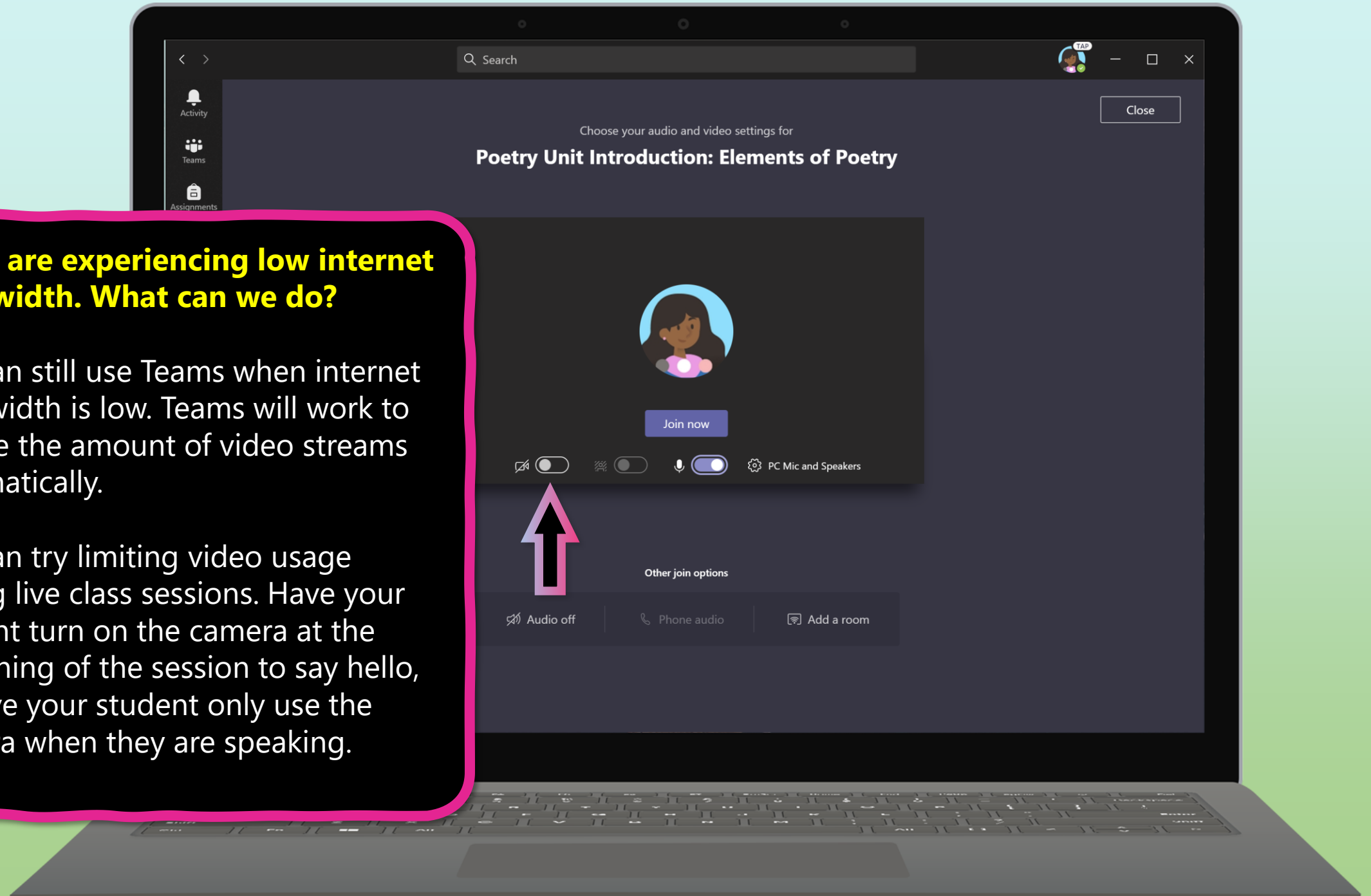
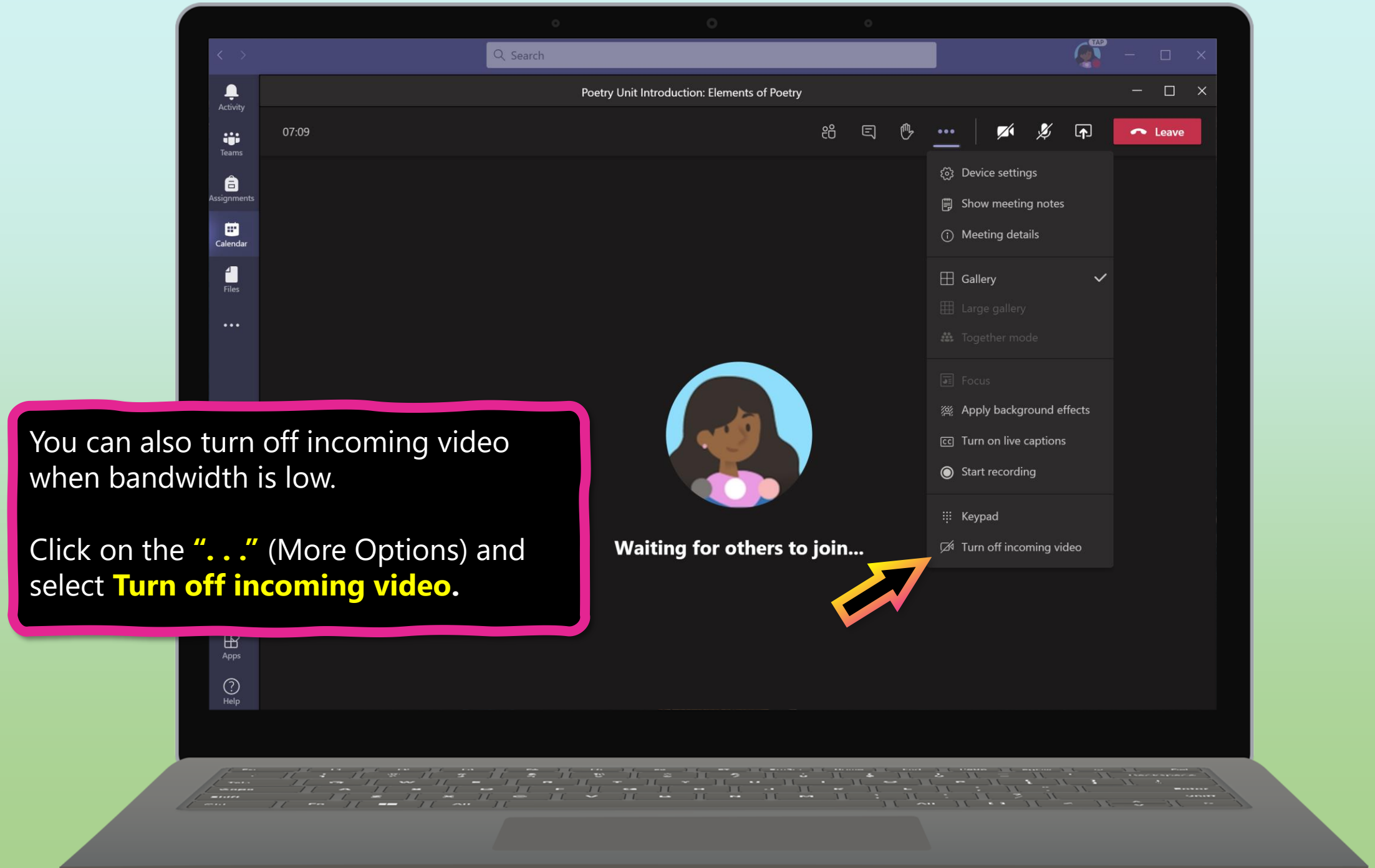
Profile 2
Sign in to sync your browsing data across devices.
Sign in
Manage profile settings
Profile 3
Profile 4
Browse as guest
Add profile
You can also create multiple accounts (also called profiles) in the new Edge browser.

6. We are experiencing low internet bandwidth. What can we do?

You can still use Teams when internet bandwidth is low. Teams will work to reduce the amount of video streams automatically.

You can try limiting video usage during live class sessions. Have your student turn on the camera at the beginning of the session to say hello, or have your student only use the camera when they are speaking.

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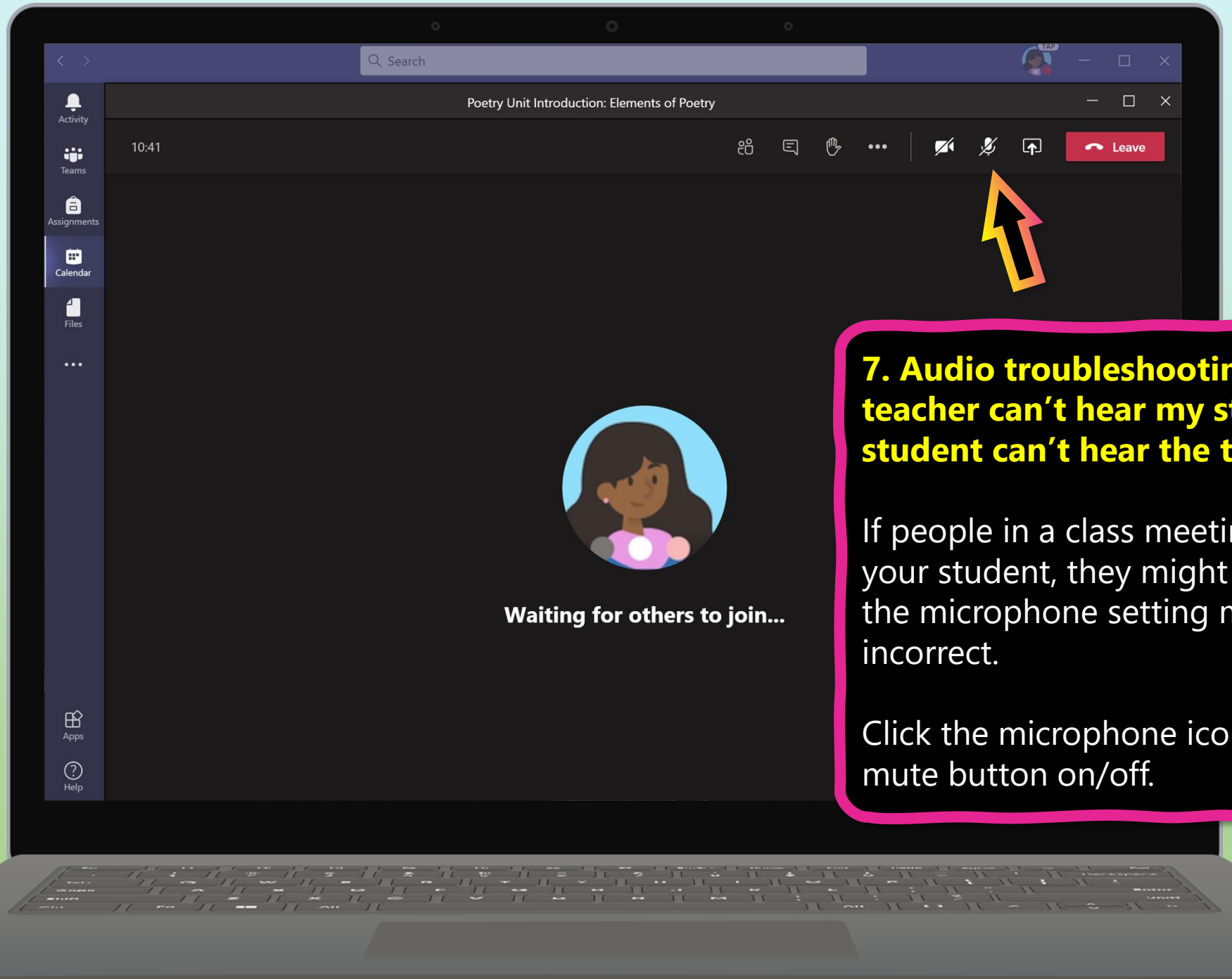
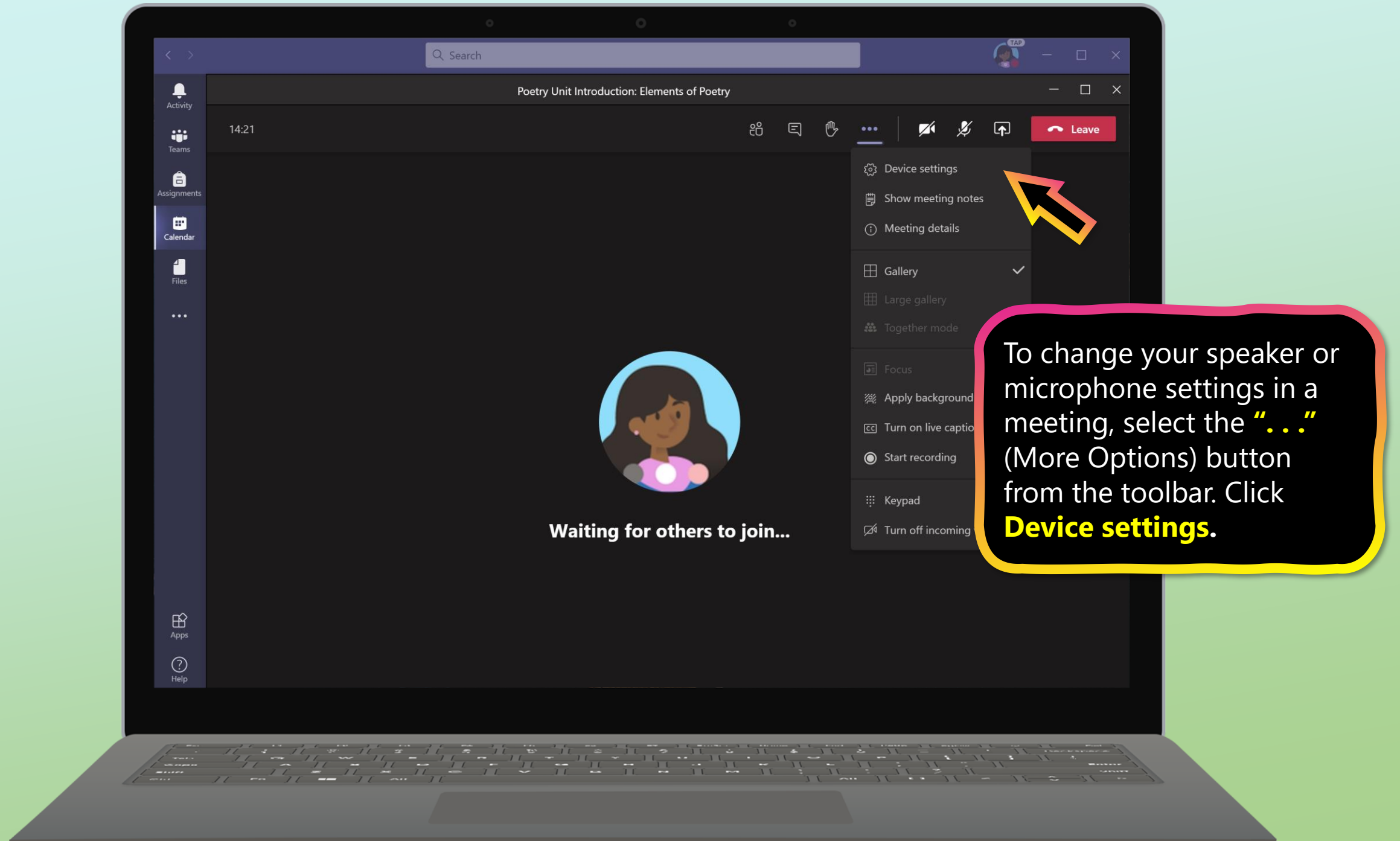
Turn off incoming video
Waiting for others to join...
You can also turn off incoming video when bandwidth is low.
Click on the ". . ." (More Options) and select Turn off incoming video.



7. Audio troubleshooting: The teacher can't hear my student, or my student can't hear the teacher.

If people in a class meeting can't hear your student, they might be muted or the microphone setting might be incorrect.

Click the microphone icon to turn the mute button on/off.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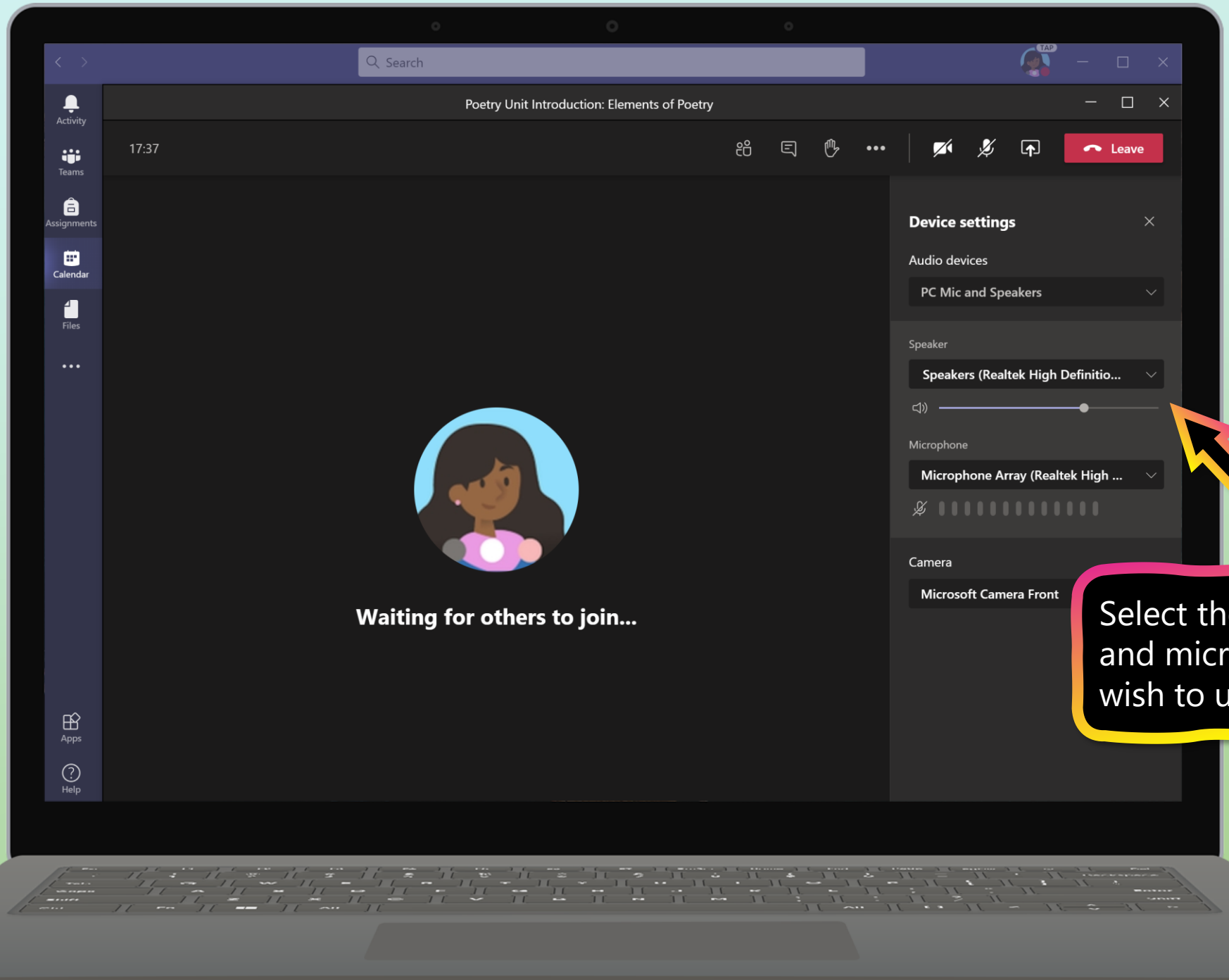
To change your speaker or microphone settings in a meeting, select the ". . ." (More Options) button from the toolbar. Click **Device settings**.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Camera
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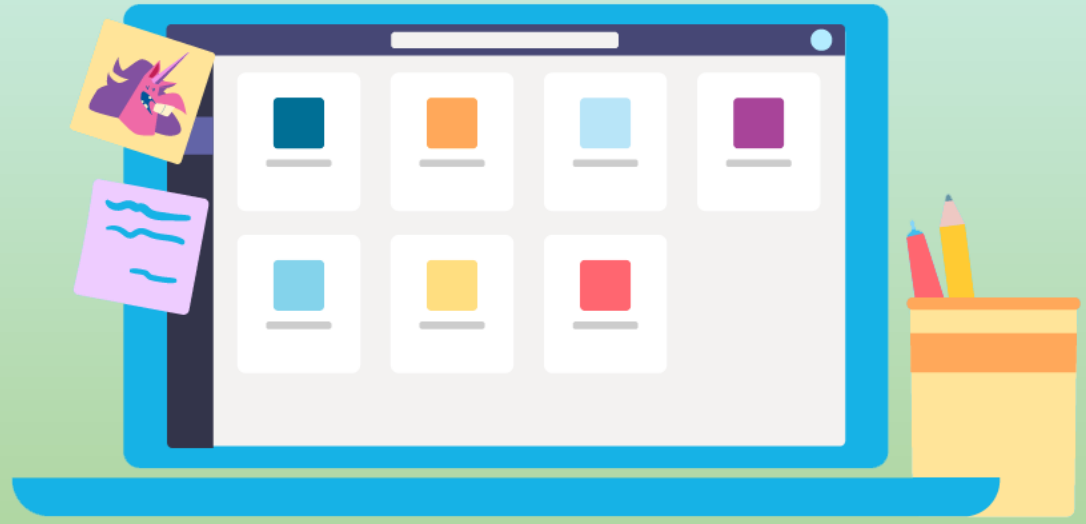
Select the speakers and microphone you wish to use.

Additional resources

Help your student successfully navigate online learning through time management, communication, study habits, and motivation best practices:

Tips for successful online learning

Find support articles and troubleshooting assistance:

Microsoft Teams support center