

# USE OF ANKI AS A STUDY TOOL

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# WHAT IS ANKI?

- Anki is a flashcard system
- Used to help organize and learn large amounts of information
- uses spaced repetition algorithms (time intervals for recall) which help prevent forgetting material and committing it to memory long-term

# UTILITY OF ANKI

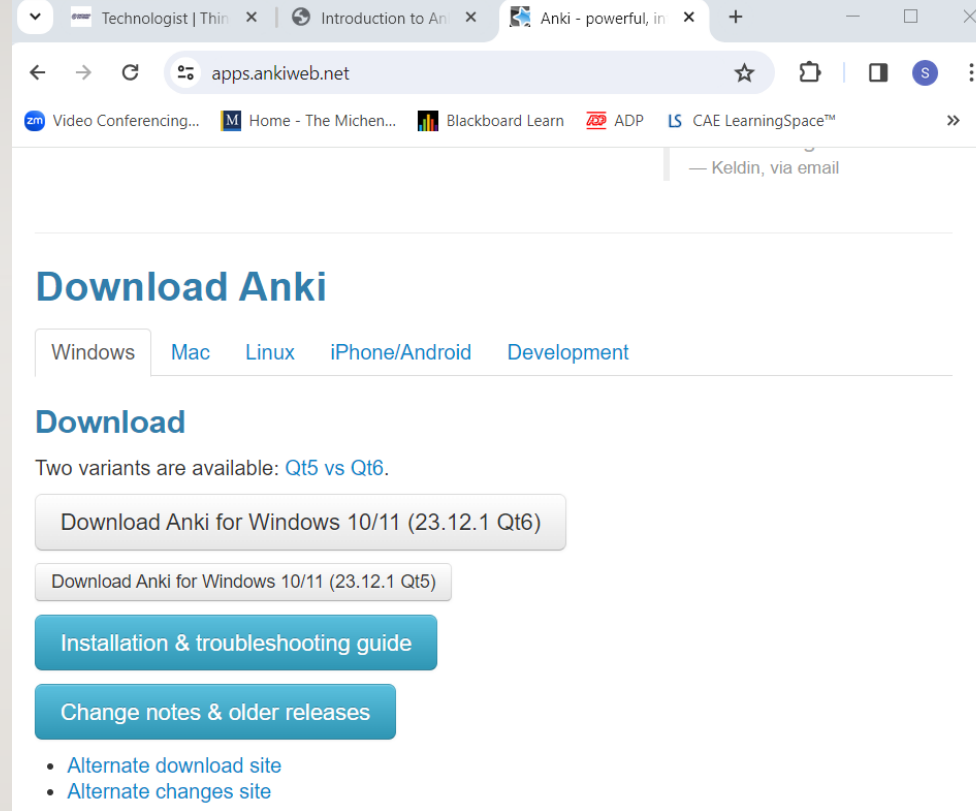
- most effective when you make your own notecards consistently
  - ideally daily and then practiced via built in reviews
- Can be used in multiple subjects
  - help with organization of concepts by subject and retention of information
- Supports the creation of flashcards with images, audio, videos and other markups
- Can produce many flashcard decks and cards
- Can share decks with others

# UTILITY OF ANKI

- Ways to use it:
  - to remember:
    - Terms
    - Anatomical structures and locations
    - Functions of anatomical structures
    - Physiology principles
    - Identification in diagrams
    - ...and many more
  - Study function to track learning of cards and retention

# PROGRAM

- Free to download for apple and mac
- Apps for iPhone /android
- Anki-web
- add-ons for:
  - Flashcard design
    - Image occlusion for anatomy
    - Frozen field for easy reuse of images
  - Study tracking



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apps.ankiweb.net

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— Keldin, via email

## Download Anki

Windows Mac Linux iPhone/Android Development

### Download

Two variants are available: Qt5 vs Qt6.

Download Anki for Windows 10/11 (23.12.1 Qt6)

Download Anki for Windows 10/11 (23.12.1 Qt5)

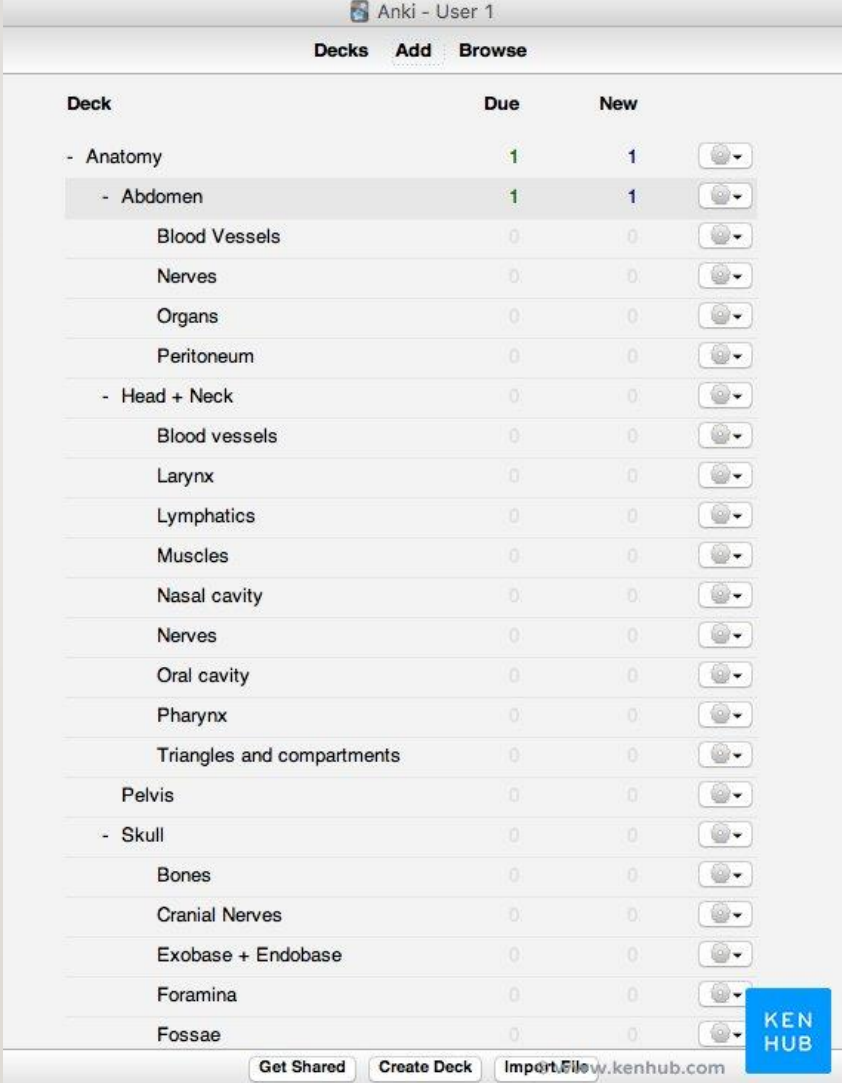
Installation & troubleshooting guide

Change notes & older releases

- [Alternate download site](#)
- [Alternate changes site](#)

# TERMINOLOGY

- Deck: Group of flashcards based on theme
  - Can have subdecks



The screenshot shows the Anki software interface for a user named 'User 1'. The interface displays a list of decks and subdecks. The columns are 'Deck', 'Due', and 'New'. The 'Deck' column shows a hierarchy of subdecks under 'Anatomy'. The 'Due' and 'New' columns show the number of cards due and new, respectively. Each row has a small circular icon with a downward arrow on the right side.

Deck	Due	New
- Anatomy	1	1
- Abdomen	1	1
Blood Vessels	0	0
Nerves	0	0
Organs	0	0
Peritoneum	0	0
- Head + Neck	0	0
Blood vessels	0	0
Larynx	0	0
Lymphatics	0	0
Muscles	0	0
Nasal cavity	0	0
Nerves	0	0
Oral cavity	0	0
Pharynx	0	0
Triangles and compartments	0	0
Pelvis	0	0
- Skull	0	0
Bones	0	0
Cranial Nerves	0	0
Exobase + Endobase	0	0
Foramina	0	0
Fossae	0	0

At the bottom of the interface, there are buttons for 'Get Shared', 'Create Deck', and 'Import File'. A 'KEN HUB' logo is visible in the bottom right corner.

# TERMINOLOGY

- Cards: Flashcards
  - Different types
    - Basic –front and back (option for reversible)
    - Cloze – can hide words in card (fill in blank)
    - Image occlusion (need add on)
      - Copy and paste image into a card and can place boxes to cover what you want tested (hide all labels or hide one)
  - Additional options:
    - Extra field - can add additional pictures or PowerPoint slides to cards to remind you of lesson/learning or key points

# ADDITIONAL TOOLS

- Search field to find terms
- Import or export decks
  - Can import public decks
  - Can share decks with others
- Free account to store (sync) to all your devices - Ankiweb



# PROCESS TO MAKE A DECK

- How to make a deck:
  - <https://leananki.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/CleanShot-20230514211011.gif>
- How to make a subdeck:
  - <https://leananki.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/CleanShot-20230514211211.gif>
  - Can also drag an existing deck underneath another deck

# CREATING CARDS

- Creating a card (Use add)
  - <https://leananki.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/CleanShot-20230514211722.webp>
- Fields in card
  - <https://leananki.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/CleanShot-20230514212244.gif>
  - Type of card
  - Deck
  - Front
  - Back
  - Tags (alternative to subdeck use)

# CREATING CARDS

- adding images to cards:
  - <https://leananki.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/CleanShot-20230514215103.gif>

# REVIEW AND STUDYING

- Click on a deck that you want to review
- When on a card, press spacebar to see answer
- When the answer appears choose from three options:
  - Again – In less than a minute, the card will show up again
  - Good – The card will show up in less than 10 minutes
  - Easy – The card will show up after 4 days

# REVIEW AND STUDYING

- Studying with cards:
  - You press **Again** when you can't recall the answer
  - You press **Good** when you recall the answer
  - You press **Easy** when you meet two things:
    - 1) you already knew the answer a long time ago and...
    - 2) you have recalled the answer in an instant

# GOLDEN RULES

- Learn first, create second
- Keep it simple –one question or one fact/answer
- Make questions unambiguous
- Try formulating “Why?” questions
- Create connections between different cards
- Avoid lists – if indispensable, keep them under five items
- Enhance your cards with media

Adapted from <https://www.kenhub.com/en/library/learning-strategies/how-to-learn-anatomy-with-anki>

# RESOURCES

- Anki (<https://apps.ankiweb.net/>)
- Resources:
- User manual: <https://docs.ankiweb.net/#/>
- FAQ: <https://faqs.ankiweb.net>
- Best Anki Tips & Tricks For Super Effective Studying [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YfbYM\\_6lioc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YfbYM_6lioc)
- How to use Anki: The ultimate Beginner's guide
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tufDp32VaTw>
- How To Use Anki: An Efficient Tutorial For Beginners- <https://leananki.com/how-to-use-anki-tutorial/>
- When to Learn with Anki - <https://controlaltbackspace.org/learn-when/>