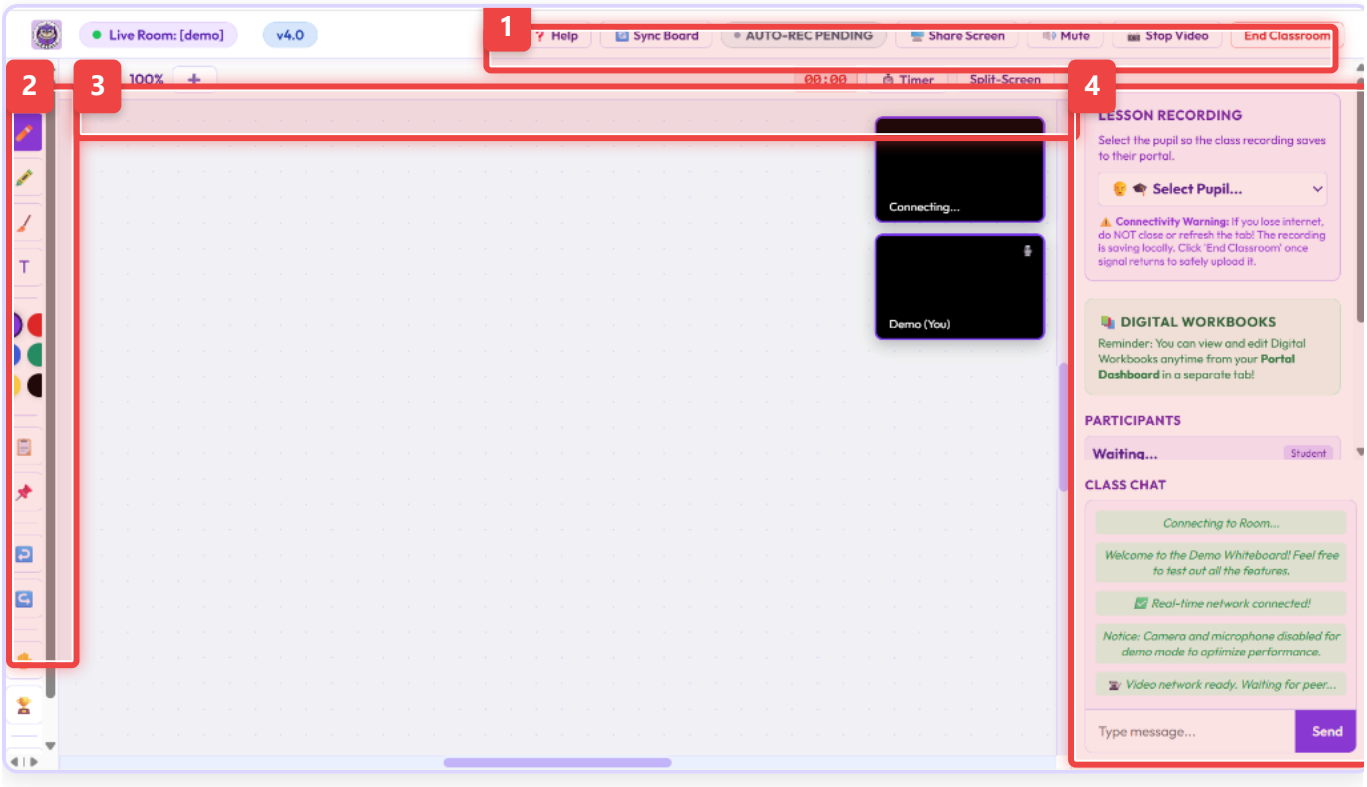
GCSEase Interactive Whiteboard

Comprehensive Teacher & Tutor Guide



Welcome to the GCSEase interactive workspace. This powerful platform is designed to make remote tutoring seamless, interactive, and fully recorded. This guide breaks down the core features of the board.

1. The Top Toolbar (Connection & Media)

The top right of your screen handles your video, audio, and network controls.

- **Help** Opens a quick-reference guide tailored for both you and your students.
- **Sync Board** Manually forces a high-quality refresh of the pupil's screen. Use this if the student ever says their screen is frozen or missing content.
- **AUTO-REC PENDING** Indicates the status of the lesson recording. It will pulse red when actively recording.
- **Share Screen** Replaces your webcam feed with a live capture of your screen for the student to see.
- **End Classroom** **Crucial button.** When the lesson is over, you must click this to officially end the session and trigger the upload of the lesson recording to the student's portal.

2. The Drawing Tools

The left-hand panel contains everything you need to mark up the board.

Standard Tools

- **Select/Move:** Click to grab, drag, and resize images or text.
- **Pen (🖍️):** Freehand drawing. Your strokes appear instantly on the student's screen in high-quality vector format.
- **Highlighter (🖍️):** Draws a semi-transparent, thick line perfect for highlighting text in workbooks.
- **Eraser (🧹):** Wipes away strokes seamlessly.
- **Text (T):** Click anywhere to type text directly onto the board.

Advanced Actions

- **Paste/Import (📌):** Click to upload an image/slides, or simply press Ctrl+V to paste an image directly from your clipboard.
- **Undo/Redo:** Step backward and forward through your actions.
- **Trophy (🏆):** Spawns a massive celebratory trophy animation on the student's screen!
- **Clear (🗑️):** Instantly wipes the entire board for both you and the pupil.

> **Pro Tip for Images:** When you paste or import an image, position and resize it to your liking, then click the green ✅ **Stamp** button that appears above it. This permanently locks the image to the board so you can draw over it!

3. Canvas & Exam Controls

The thin strip directly above the drawing area contains viewport controls.

- **Zoom Controls (100% ➕/➖):** Shrink or magnify your view of the canvas. *(Note: Your zoom does not affect the student's zoom. They control their own view!)*
- **Exam Timer:** Click "⏱️ Timer" to open the timer setup. Set the minutes and seconds, and click Start. The countdown will synchronize and appear on the student's screen in real-time.
- **Split-Screen:** Toggles the layout to give the sidebar and video feeds more or less space alongside the drawing board.

4. The Teacher Sidebar (Right Panel)

The right side of the screen manages the administration of the lesson.

Lesson Recording Assignment

> **IMPORTANT:** Before clicking "End Classroom", you must use the dropdown menu in the top right box to **Select the Pupil**. This ensures the video file is safely routed directly to their specific portal dashboard when the class finishes!

Participant Management

Under the "Participants" list, you will see your student's name once they join. Next to their name is an 🖍️ **Allow Draw** button.

- By default, students **cannot** draw on the board (to prevent distractions).
- Clicking this button instantly unlocks their drawing tools, allowing them to collaborate with you. You can revoke it at any time.

Class Chat & Connectivity

At the bottom right is the Class Chat. Use this if audio fails.

- **Handling Disconnects:** The whiteboard runs on a direct peer-to-peer connection. If the student drops out or cannot see your writing, advise them to **refresh their browser tab**. The system will automatically reconnect them and restore the board state perfectly.

Importing Lesson Slides & Images

If you prefer not to use the (📌) button on the left panel, you can also **scroll down to the very bottom** of this right-hand sidebar to find the "Import to Canvas" section. Here you can click to upload, or simply drag and drop images of lesson slides directly onto the drawing board.