

## Forum Activity

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### Description

The forum activity allows students and teachers to exchange ideas by posting comments as part of a 'thread'. Files such as images and media maybe included in forum posts.

### Which forum do I need?

- In the (default) **Standard forum for general use**, students will see an introduction text in a separate space above the list of discussions. Students see a button to start a new discussion (thread).
- In a **Single, simple discussion** the teachers posts a question and students are able only to reply. They cannot start a new topic of discussion. This is useful if you wish to keep a discussion focused.
- The **Question and Answer** forum is best used when you have a particular question that you wish to have answered. The teacher posts a question and students respond with possible answers. By default a Q and A forum requires students to post once before viewing other students' postings.

### Forums have many uses, such as:

- A social space for students to get to know each other
- For course announcements (using a news forum with forced subscription)
- For discussing course content or reading materials
- For continuing online an issue raised previously in a face-to-face session
- For extension activities, for example 'brain teasers' for students to ponder and suggest solutions to

### Extra Information

- **More info:** [https://docs.moodle.org/35/en/Using\\_Forum](https://docs.moodle.org/35/en/Using_Forum)
- **A teacher's experience:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YcnevH8x039Y>
- **Another good video tutorial:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=amyQjAESkZM>