

Discussion Board

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Add Forum

Add a Discussion Forum by clicking the Add Forum Button

This discussion board has no forums.
Click Add Forum to create a forum.

Add Forum

Title

Description

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Forum Settings:

- Allow anonymous posts.
- Allow author to modify message after posting.
- Allow author to remove own posted messages.
- Allow file attachments.
- Allow new threads.

Forum User Settings:

m = Forum moderator privileges
M = Permanent forum moderator
b = Blocked Users

M Gregory, Jennifer (jgregory) ▲	<input type="button" value="MODERATE"/>	<input type="button" value="NORMAL"/>
Tucker, Michael A. (mtucker) ▼	<input type="button" value="BLOCK"/>	<input type="button" value="UNBLOCK"/>

Give your Forum a topic and a description - tell your students what you want them to discuss and how you would like them to discuss it.

You may want to specify the number of postings and/or responses to classmates you want them to make.

You can also guide their postings with more instructions and due dates.

Be sure to look at the default settings and think about your discussion needs:

- Anonymous posts work well for opinion polls, but not assignments
- Allowing the author to modify or remove their messages can be tricky if someone has replied to them already.
- Allowing file attachments allows students to easily share work for peer reviews.
- Allowing new threads will let the conversation take on different directions.

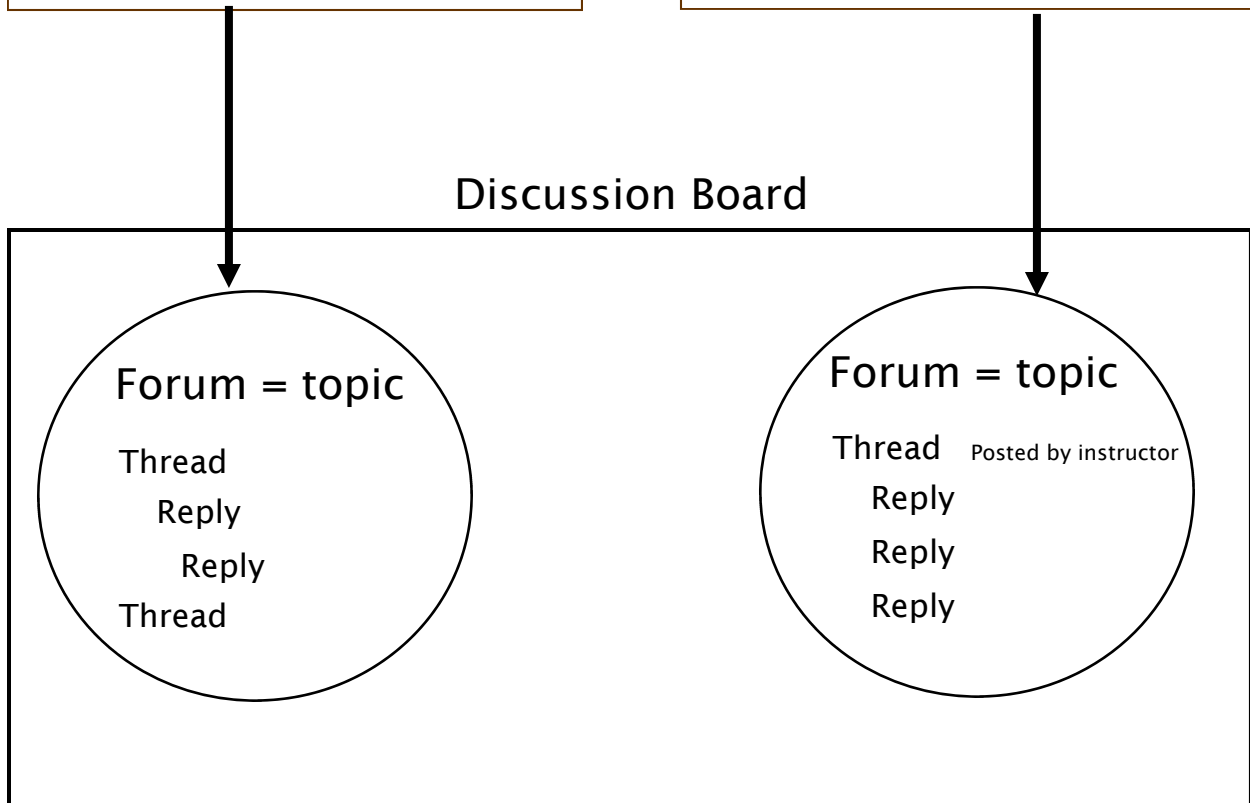
Instructors also have the ability to give additional privileges to a student or to block a student from participating in a discussion.

Discussion Boards can be confusing the first time you use them. They have a lingo all their own.

Think of the Discussion Board as a building. Inside of that building are a few different rooms. Those rooms are Forums. Inside of each room there are students having a discussion.

In some cases the discussion flows from idea to idea (new threads)

In others there is a very specific topic and students are only giving their opinion on that topic



Forums are always created by the instructor. However, it is up to each instructor to decide if students can create new threads in each discussion forum, based on the purpose of the discussion.