How to see what a student sees ("Switch role to")

Moodle Help & Support

This refers to Moodle 3.4 from July 2018 onward

You may want to view your module as a student to check whether items are hidden correctly and to see how the module is displayed for students. This is the recommended way to view a module as a student, NOT adding the role of student to your enrolment as the access restrictions will be conflicting. This may hinder your usage of Moodle.

For those with higher level access to Moodle, such as School Support, this method should be used to see a module as an Editing Teacher.

Accessing student view

In your module (course) click on the down arrow next to your name in the top right corner and select Switch role to...

You will then see the options shown below:

Teacher
Student
Library Staff
Observer

Select Student from the list to view the module (course) as a student will see it.

Returning to your normal role

You can return to your normal role by clicking again on the down arrow next to your name and you will see Return to my normal role at the bottom of the options.