Wiki - how to add a wiki

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A wiki is a web page or website which can be edited collaboratively by a number of people. For example it might be used for students to work together, collaboratively creating a document such as a list of resources, response to a question, presentation plan, etc.

Each person can add to the page(s) or edit others’ contributions. A history is kept so that the teacher can see who has changed what and when.

How to add a wiki

To add a wiki

1. In your module, click on the 'Turn editing on' button (top right), and go to the section in which you want to add the wiki.
2. Click on the 'Add an activity or resource' hyperlink, then select "Wiki" and click 'Add'

3. This will take you to the wiki settings page titled “Adding a new wiki” (NOTE: In an existing wiki, the wiki settings can be found by clicking Edit > Edit settings). Here you will need to:
   a) Give your Wiki a "Name"
   b) Give your Wiki a "Description".
   c) Give your first page a name. WARNING - it is not possible to edit the name of the page later on so choose carefully!
   d) Choose a "Wiki Mode". The options are 'Individual wiki' where each student gets their own, and 'Collaborative wiki' where students work together on a single wiki
4. Later on the page you will need to choose the "Default format" which sets the default type of editing your wiki will use. We recommend HTML – that is, editing using the normal text editor. NOTE: check the Force format box to restrict students from choosing their own method of editing the wiki.

5. (optional) You can restrict access or set groups as in other Activities.

6. When you are happy with the settings, click on 'Save and return to module'.

7. When you have finished editing, click on the 'Turn editing off' icon on the top right of your main Moodle page

How to add and delete subsidiary pages

NOTE: Don’t click on the ‘Edit’ option in the Moodle editing mode as though you were going to change the wiki settings. Instead click on the wiki resource.

1. Open your Wiki resource and click on the blue Create page button
2. Now go to the main wiki content area and type
[[new page name]]
(the double square brackets go either side of the name you choose) on the main page at the point where you’d like to add a link to the new page. In the example, below it says [[Test2]]

**WARNING** - it is not possible to edit the name of the page later on so choose carefully!
If you don’t actually want to have a link on the main page, bear with me.
When you have added the new page name click on “Save”

3. In the wiki, click on the new page title that you just added. In this example **Test 2**

4. You will be taken to a set-up screen for the new page. When you have finished making your choices, click on “Create page”

5. If you didn’t want the link to appear on the main page (it can always be found on the Map tab of the wiki) then you’ll need to go back to the wiki’s main page (navigate there using the list of pages given when you click on the **Map** tab).
6. Select your first page and click on 'Edit'

7. This will take you to the edit page where you can delete the [[new page name]] you recently added. This will remove the link on the main page, but won't delete the new page itself.

Should you actually want to delete a page, you will need to click on Administration tab at the top of the wiki and delete the page from there. Deleting a page will also delete links to that page from other pages.

To delete the whole wiki you'll need to be in Moodle editing mode and then you can delete it just as you would delete any other content.
Further reading

Online collaboration with Moodle Databases and Wikis is a useful Xerte toolkit that will help you use both Wikis and Databases more effectively for student collaboration.

Similar tutorials

- How to Add a Moodle quiz (the settings)
- Grades 4 - Exporting and Importing Grades into the Grade book
- How to add accommodations to a Moodle quiz
- How to Add questions to a Moodle quiz
- How to set up grading strategies in Workshop
- How to generate an activity report for a student
- How to see a given user's activity within a SCORM package
- How to create an Absence Form
- How to create dependent questions in Feedback
- How to export database entries for import into another Moodle database
- How to add a Feedback activity
- How to create a Lesson activity
- How to create pages in Lesson
- How to release grades to students on a specified date
- How to create a glossary
- How to copy or import a resource or activity (or multiple items) from one module to another
- How to export a sign-up list from the Signup Sheet tool
- How to add a database activity
- Wiki - how to add a wiki
- How to embed a Xerte online toolkit
- How to create a Choice activity (poll)
- How to use completion tracking to monitor student progress
- How to export reports of attendance
- How to create questions in Feedback
- How to create a Vote activity
- How to Create options in an Allocation form
- How to use Moodle blogs
- Grades 1 - Introduction & Overview
- Grades 2 - Manually editing grades
• How to transfer questions for quizzes between Moodle modules
• How Turnitin deals with resubmission of the same paper by the same student
• How to delete a single Turnitin submission to enable submission
• How to enable resubmission of a Moodle assignment
• How to exclude University of Nottingham papers from a Turnitin Originality Report
• How to view your grade and feedback in Turnitin
• How to use a Forum for blogs or learning journals
• How to restrict access to an activity or resource based on specific criteria
• How to copy and paste text from Word, and in Firefox
• How can I see when new items are added to a forum in my module?
• How to Add an Allocation Form
• How to Adjust the allocation process in an Allocation Form
• How to enable conditional activities
• Grades 3 - Adding a grade item (or column in the gradebook)
• How to add a Rogo Self Assessment Paper
• How to duplicate an item
• How to create a Moodle assignment
• How to create a Turnitin assignment drop box
• How to provide feedback and comments in Turnitin
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• How to re-use and share rubrics in Turnitin assignments
• How to mark a Turnitin assignment in Moodle
• How to use the Signup Sheet Tool
• How to create a forum for groups
• How do I set up areas for student collaboration in Moodle?