

Post to a Discussion Forum

Important! If you choose to type your post in a word processing program first and then copy/paste it into Moodle, DO NOT use fancy indents/bullets/etc. that could make it very hard for others to read your post. It is best to type your post directly in Moodle.

Discussion forums are one of the main methods of interacting with fellow students in an online course. Your instructor and fellow classmates can see everything posted in a forum. There are three basic types of forums your instructor may have included in your course. These are the ways each type is different:

- Can post as many new topics as you wish and reply to unlimited postings from others.
- Can post only one new topic but can reply to unlimited postings from others.
- Can't post your own new topic but have to reply to the instructor's question first; can then post to unlimited postings from others.

To access a discussion forum, click on the link in your course content.

MOODLEROOMS FORUM
Chapter 2 Discussion Forum

Instructions
Click the **Add a new discussion topic** button below to post your response information, **reply to at least two of your classmate's postings** with effective information.

To create effective and thoughtful replies, include some of the following:

- provide an alternative perspective
- ask questions to further the discussion
- discuss why you agree or disagree with something said

Use correct grammar, spelling, punctuation, and capitalization in all postings and replies.

Grading Criteria
Refer to the **rubric** below that will be used to grade this discussion forum. Your original post to the topic for discussion is worth 60 points. Each reply is worth 10 points. Using correct grammar, spelling, punctuation, and capitalization is worth 20 points.

The average of all discussion forums is worth 25% of your total course grade. The lowest discussion forum grade (even a zero) will be dropped before the final grade is calculated.

This forum allows each person to start one discussion topic.

Note: With Q and A types of forums, you have to reply to your instructor's post instead of posting your own new post. Read instructions carefully.

Read instructions, then click **Add a new discussion** when you are ready to add a new post to the forum.

Add a new discussion

After clicking the **Add a new discussion** button, the message window opens:

Add your discussion

Type the title of your post here.

Type your information here.

If allowed, you can add a saved file by browsing for it here.

Use advanced editor

Lots of buttons available in **Advanced editor** to help you format your message.

Click **Submit** when ready to post your message.

Manage forum subscriptions

Can control whether posts/replies are also sent to your email from **Manage forum subscriptions**

Mickey's ideas
3 mins ago
After reading the scenario for this discussion, I b

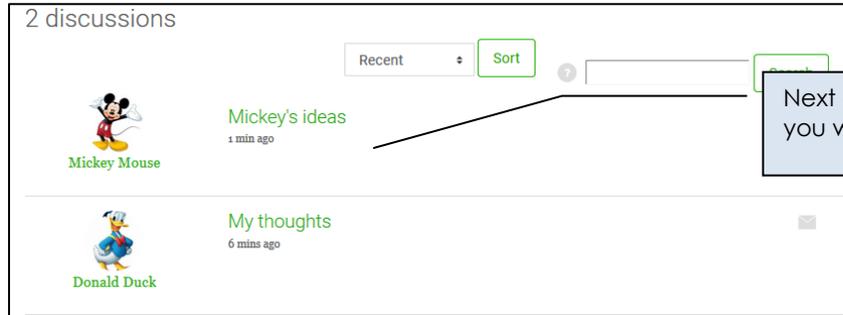
After posting, you have 5 minutes to delete it or edit it.

Reply Edit Delete

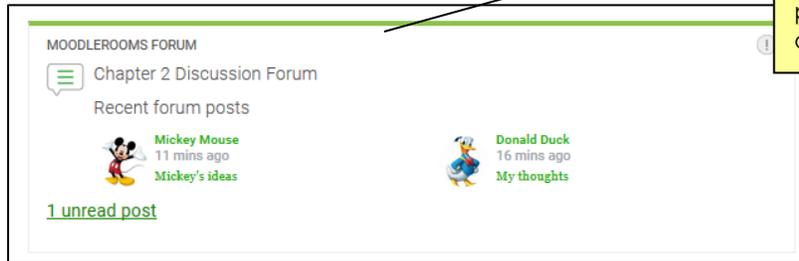
Reply to a post



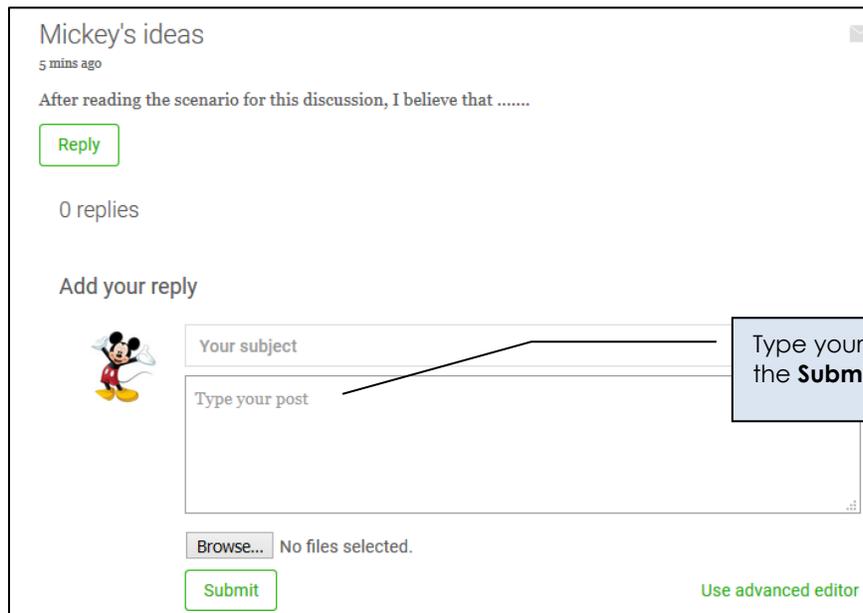
To send a reply to someone else's post, first click the forum link.



Next click the thread for the individual you wish to reply.



Note: Some instructors have the most recent posts show below the forum link. Can click on any of them to send a reply.



Type your subject and reply, then click the **Submit** button.