HEFi Guidance - Frequently Asked Questions – Classic Quizzes

This document answers to some frequently asked questions around Classic Canvas Quizzes.

Full detailed guidance on quizzes is available from the HEFi Learning and Teaching Gateway

Can classic quizzes be marked in SpeedGrader?

Yes. All question types except file upload questions can be marked in SpeedGrader.

Do classic quiz responses go through Turnitin?

No, Turnitin can only be used in Assignments.

Can release times / availability dates be set?

Yes, availability and due dates are set in the same way as with Assignments. Guidance on creating assignments and setting availability.

Can a word limit be set for free text responses?

No. But there is a word count for 'essay style' questions.

Can a time limit be set?

Yes - via the Quiz settings, guidance on creating a quiz and setting time limits.

How do I give student(s) additional time in a timed classic quiz?

Canvas allows you to give individual students additional time on top of the pre-set time limit through 'Moderate Quiz'. More information is available on the Canvas Guides to classic quizzes. (Links to an external site.)

How do I give student(s) additional attempts for students with Reasonable Adjustment Plan (RAP) time extensions?

Canvas allows you to give individual students additional attempts on top of the pre-set limit through 'Moderate Quiz'. Canvas will use the highest score from the student submissions by default. You can give all students a set number of attempts through the Quiz settings. This allows you to choose to record the Highest, Latest or Average score. More information is available on the Canvas Guides to classic quizzes (Links to an external site.).

Can I mark file upload questions in Speedgrader?

No. File uploads in Quizzes cannot be previewed or annotated in SpeedGrader. They must be downloaded. All other question types can be marked in SpeedGrader.

Can different markers mark the same classic quiz?

Two markers cannot mark the same individual script at the same time. If two markers mark the same student's responses at the same time there is a risk of overwriting marks when you 'Update Scores'. The advice would be to stagger marking to avoid this issue. Where there are a large amount of markers allocated to an exam, the markers should be allocated to different sets of questions to mark independently to avoid overwriting of marks being saved.

How can files uploaded to 'file upload' questions be downloaded?

Files uploaded to file upload questions can be bulk downloaded. The resulting zip file contains all files separately. Each file is titled with Student Name/Student (Canvas) ID/Unique Quiz question ID/Document title. Please note: you cannot bulk upload files.

Do classic quizzes support anonymous marking?

No

Do classic quizzes work with marking rubrics?

Yes please refer to the guidance video on how to add a rubric in classic quizzes

Can classic quiz responses be downloaded and marked outside of Canvas?

No (except for files uploaded to file upload questions).

Are classic quizzes supported on mobile? (For students)

Yes. All features work correctly on both Android and iOS versions of the Canvas Student app. This is regardless of whether the "show one question at a time" box is ticked or not.

Are classic quizzes supported on mobile? (For staff)

Quiz questions cannot be edited on the Canvas Teacher app. Quiz settings CAN be edited on the app. Quizzes can be marked via the app.

Are classic quizzes supported on all common browsers? (For both staff and students)

All quiz features work on all common browsers except Internet Explorer. UoB Recommends Chrome, Firefox (Safari can also be used however users have experienced issues with viewing images).

Can classic quizzes be printed for students who are not able to get online?

Currently there is no easy way to obtain a high quality print of quizzes. You can get an easy copy by printing from the browser but this does not deal with page breaks properly and so often becomes unusable for official exams. A more time consuming but currently the only viable method is to take a print screen of each question and compile to form the full quiz print out. **Important**: Neither of these methods would work for drop-down box questions

I want to reuse my questions in future exams, can I hide the questions from the student results?

Yes, see quiz question display guidance

Can a student start an exam at any time between the available from and until dates?

Yes they can, however students should be made aware that the exam will be automatically submitted on the until date stipulated within the settings. Students will need to allow enough time to complete the exam.

Why are students sometimes unable to see images within exam questions?

Sometimes this can because the exam question has been copied from a different course without copying the same image files across to the new course.