
Re: ES106 WebCT Question Conversion to Moodle?

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Moodle Support <moodle@wou.edu>

Tue, Aug 5, 2014 at 5:00 PM

To: Steve Taylor <taylors@wou.edu>

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Sure thing! On your course page, click "Questions" then "Import" in the Administration block. Choose the Blackboard format from the list provided and then upload your file. And just let us know if you have any questions while you're working.

Have a lovely evening,
Elayne

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On Tue, Aug 5, 2014 at 3:59 PM, Steve Taylor <taylors@wou.edu> wrote:

thanks elayne - yes, it's all coming back to me. These questions have multiple fill-in answers, for the same question, I seem to recall we had trouble importing these types of questions into Moodle ---way back when we shifted away from WebCT.

Can you give me a couple click steps that you would use to import Blackboard questions from text publishers? I'll give it a try.

s.t.

On Tue, Aug 5, 2014 at 1:53 PM, Moodle Support <moodle@wou.edu> wrote:

Hi Steve,

Our Moodle site is unable to translate these files, I'm sorry to say. Regardless of input method, I receive a number of errors about the way these questions have been formatted and Moodle will not accept them. Since these are short-answer, it's possible the problem is that WebCT allows for questions with more than one answer where Moodle does not (this will cause questions to be rejected). Unless I find a way around this, you might be out of luck on this front.

Many WOU instructors successfully import Blackboard format quiz questions into Moodle from their textbook providers, though. If you have another type of resource or activity, would you be so kind as to share an example with me? I'd be happy to test importing for you to ensure that it works as well.

I hope this helps! Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Have a great afternoon,

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On Tue, Aug 5, 2014 at 1:41 PM, Elayne Kuletz <kuletze@wou.edu> wrote:

Hi Steve,

The answer to your questions about WebCT and Blackboard are both the same: Maybe. Moodle can definitely import some Blackboard resources (i.e. quiz questions) and I believe that older versions of Moodle supported some WebCT cross-over. However, I must admit that I've never tried to import from WebCT with more recent versions. Let me take a look and I'll get back to you when I have a more definitive answer.

I'm sorry I missed your call while I was on lunch break, by the way! I recommend calling us on the Moodle Support line at 838-9300 if you ever need a speedy reply. That way, any available staff member will be able to respond to you and you won't have to wait on me if I'm not in the office.

I'll go do some testing with this file you shared. I'll keep you posted.

Best,

Elayne

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On Tue, Aug 5, 2014 at 12:14 PM, Steve Taylor <taylors@wou.edu> wrote:

Hi Elayne - here's a puzzle for you, and I know the answer is probably going to be re-do from scratch, but I have some old WebCT fill-in the blank questions for ES106 that I exported to *.txt and *.xls files, so that they could be imported.

Is there any way Moodle can import these fill in the blank questions? without me re-keying.

See attached for a *.zip file with the "homework" fill-in-the-blank questions.

s.t.

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