

GIFT Format for Moodle

Multiple Choice type questions (One Right Answer):

```
::Q_01
::The question text goes here
{
=Correct Answer
~Distractor1
~Distractor2
~Distractor3
}
```

Explanation:

::Q_01

The text that follows the first double colon is the name of the question. Assigning the question number as the question name will make future editing of the test easier. It is recommended to use unique lettering for each test. For instance, if the test is about vegetables, the naming convention could look like this: Veg_01 instead of Q_01. Again, this makes future edits easier when you are dealing with multiple test.

::The question text goes here

The text that follows the second double colon is the actual test question. This text will appear as the questions to the test-taker.

```
{
=Correct Answer
~Distractor1
~Distractor2
~Distractor3
}
```

Moodle will display text between the curly braces as responses.

Text beside the equal sign will be assigned a value of 100% (i.e. the correct answer).
Text beside a tilde sign will be assigned a value of 0% (i.e. the distractors).

Every multiple choice question must have 3 or more answers.

If the Quiz Activity has been set to randomize the answers, it makes no difference where the equal sign goes, because all the responses are randomized in every instance of the quiz. If you want the answers to present in a specific order, it does matter where the equal sign goes!

```
{
~Distractor1
~Distractor2
=Correct Answer
~Distractor3
}
```

This non-randomized response set would appear as:

- a) Distractor 1
- b) Distractor 2
- c) Correct Answer
- d) Distractor 3

Multiple Choice type questions (Multiple Right Answers):

```
::Q_02
::The question text goes here
{
~%-100%Correct Answer
~%50%Distractor1
~%50%Distractor2
~%-100%Distractor3
}
```

Explanation:

::Q_02

This is the name of the question.

::What colour is the sky?

The question text goes here.

```
{
~%-100%Yellow
~%50%Blue
~%50%Black
~%-100%Green
}
```

Note that a value has been added to each response between percentage signs.

Note the minus signs where present.

Note that all the signs are tildes in this type of response set.

Note all answers have been set to be presented in a random order.

Both Correct Answers must be selected to receive full marks for this question.

Selecting a single Wrong Answer in this example will negate selecting one or both correct answers. The lowest score recorded by Moodle is 0%. Selecting all the possible answers in this example would result in a question score of 0%. To avoid a 100% score by simply checking all the answers, it is recommended to at negative weights to the wrong answers.

In Moodle, this question will look like this:

What colour is the sky?

Select one:

- a. Yellow
- b. Blue
- c. Magenta
- d. Green

True or False type questions

::Q_03

::The questions text goes here

{T}

Explanation:

This is the name of the question.

::Q_03

::The question text goes here

The question text goes here.

{T}

Only the correct response is required between the curly braces in a True/False type question.

Moodle will recognize the following syntax:

{T}

{TRUE}

{F}

{FALSE}

When the question is rendered, both a True and False option is provided, even though the imported question is only specifying the correct answer.

In Moodle, the question will look like this:

Learning how to make a quiz in moodle is fun!

Select one:

True

False

Short Answer type questions

::Q_04

::Question text goes here

{=Version 1 of Correct Answer =Version 2 of Correct Answer =Version 3 of Correct Answer}

Explanation:

::Q_04

This is the name of the question.

::Which actor currently plays 007?

This is sample question text

{=Craig =Daniel Craig = Daniel}

Note that all the possible correct responses have an equal sign.

Note that there is no space between the equal sign and the answer.

Any of these answers input into the text box will be marked correct.

In Moodle, the question looks like this:

Which actor currently plays 007?

Answer:

Matching type questions

::Q_05

::Match the predator to their preferred food.

```
{  
=Wolf ->Deer  
=Eagle ->Fish  
=Bunny ->Vegetables  
=Opossum ->Insects  
}
```

Explanation:

::Q_05

This is the name of the question.

::Match the predator to their preferred food.

This is sample question text

```
{  
=Wolf ->Deer  
=Eagle ->Fish  
=Bunny ->Vegetables  
=Opossum ->Insects  
}
```

Note that all the possible correct responses have an equal sign.

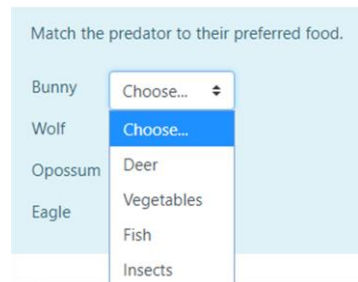
Note the correlating answer follow with a dash and greater than sign, followed by the response (no space)

The question will look like this:



Match the predator to their preferred food.	
Bunny	Choose... ▾
Wolf	Choose... ▾
Opossum	Choose... ▾
Eagle	Choose... ▾

Answers are selected from the drop down box:



Match the predator to their preferred food.	
Bunny	Choose... ▾
Wolf	Choose... ▾
Opossum	Deer
Eagle	Vegetables
	Fish
	Insects

Select Missing Words type questions

::Q_06

::Hate is a form of {~objective =subjective ~reactive} involvement by which one is bound to the hated object.

Explanation:

::Q_06

This is the name of the question.

::Hate is a form of {~objective =subjective ~reactive} involvement by which one is bound to the hated object.

The options that follow the tildes are distractors, and the options that follows the equal sign is the correct answer.

The options are selected from a drop down list:

Hate is a form of involvement by which one is bound to the hated object.

Numerical type questions

```
::Q_07
::What year was Gengis Khan born?
{#
=1162:0
=%50%1822:2
}
```

Explanation:

```
::Q_07
```

This is the name of the question.

```
::In what year was Genghis Khan born?
```

This is sample question text

```
{#
=1162:0
=%50%1162:2
}
```

Note the number sign that follows the first curly brace for this question type.

The equal sign identifies the correct answer.

The number following the colon is the amount of error permitted.

In this example question, 1162 will get a score of 100%. An answer between 1160 and 1164 (not including 1162) will get a score of 50%.

For questions where only one answer is desired, it would look like this:

```
{#
=1162
}
```

In Moodle, the question looks like this:

In what year was Genghis Khan born?

Answer:

Essay type questions



Note that this type of question requires the teacher to manually mark the submission.

::Q_08

::Write a brief self-introduction as though it were a Marvel origin story. {}

Explanation:

::Q_08

This is the name of the question.

::Write a brief self-introduction as though it were a Marvel origin story. {}

This is sample question text.

Note the curly braces can be on the same line as the question.

Note there is no space between the curly braces.

In Moodle, this question would appear like this:

Write a brief self-introduction as though it were a Marvel origin story.

The screenshot shows a Moodle question editor interface. At the top, there is a text input field containing the question text: "Write a brief self-introduction as though it were a Marvel origin story." Below this is a rich text editor toolbar with various icons for text formatting (bold, italic, underline, strikethrough), alignment, list creation, indentation, link, unlink, image, and table insertion. Below the toolbar is a large text area for editing the question content. At the bottom left of the editor, there is a "Path:" label followed by a small "p" character, indicating the current paragraph path.

Good Things to Be Aware Of

Question Name

Where no question name is specified, the entire question is used as the question name by default.

Feedback

Feedback can be included for each answer. In this compendium, this feature has not been used in order to keep the examples simple. To add feedback, follow an answer with the number sign/hash mark, and then the feedback text.

```
::Q_02
::What colour is the sky?
{
~%-100%Yellow#feedback comment on wrong answer 1 goes here
~%50%Blue#feedback comment on correct answer 1 goes here
~%50%Black#feedback comment on correct answer 2 goes here
~%-100%Green#feedback comment on wrong answer 2 goes here
}
```

Special Characters

These symbols ~ = # { } : cannot be used as normal text within questions because they are 'control characters'. Putting a backslash (\) before any control character tells Moodle to render the symbol. Note, the backslash is not rendered/displayed with the control character.

Saving the File

Once the file is complete in Word, it must be saved as a "Plain Text" (.txt) file. To do this in word:

Step 1: Select "Save as"

Step 2: Enter the file name you want to call the file

Step 3: Below the box where you enter the file name, select the file type (a list of file types will appear)

Step 4: Select "Plain Text (.txt)"

Step 5: Select the Save button

The following page is what a test that is ready to be imported looks like.

Note there must be a space between each question, though a question could be written entirely on one line. (Most people find it easier to read a question across several lines)

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::Learning Moodle is fun!

{T}

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::Q_08

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