



Deciding between Classic Quizzes & New Quizzes in Canvas

One personal decision you would want to make first is what version of Quizzes you want to use.

There are two versions of the Quiz creator in Canvas: New vs Classic Quizzes
Our district is allowing each teacher to choose between what version to use.

What's the Difference?

- Classic Quizzes is the original quiz tool in Canvas.
- New Quizzes is a new quiz tool still in development by Canvas. It was released late summer 2020 and features are still being added.

Eventually, New Quizzes will replace Classic Quizzes, but not all at once. Canvas is still soliciting feedback for New Quizzes. You can share your thoughts at: <https://community.canvaslms.com/groups/quizzes>

Here's what it looks like when you are prompted to select:

Choose a Quiz Engine

Canvas now has two quiz engines. Please choose which you'd like to use. [Learn more about the differences.](#)

Classic Quizzes
For the time being, if you need security from 3rd-party tools, Speedgrader, or CSVs for student response analysis, this is the better choice.

New Quizzes
This has more question types like hotspot, categorisation, matching, and ordering. It also has more moderation and accommodation features.

Cancel Submit

If you are not automatically prompted to choose a Quiz engine, you can turn the new quizzes version on or off in the following area:

1. Go to **Settings/ Feature Options**, you will see a place to enable New Quizzes by clicking on the slide button. It will turn from black to green. For some reason, you are being prompted to turn it on in your course now.

▶ New Quizzes



Here's a table detailing the differences/ similarities between the two versions:

This list is lengthy (**you may only be interested in the first part**). It is separated into the following sections regarding Classic vs New Quizzes in Canvas.

1- Item/Question Types, 2- General Mgmt., 3- Grading & Moderation, 4- Reports

Item/Question Types

Classic Quizzes

New Quizzes

Item/Question Types	Classic Quizzes	New Quizzes
Categorization		✓
Essay	✓	✓
Fill in the Blank	✓	✓
Fill in Multiple Blanks	✓	Use Fill in the Blank question*
File Upload	✓	✓
Formula	✓	✓
Multiple Answer	✓	✓
Multiple Choice	✓	✓
Multiple Dropdown	✓	Use Fill in the Blank question*
Matching	✓ - Provides partial credit	✓ - Provides NO partial credit
Numeric	✓	✓
Text (No Question)	✓	Text can be included as stimulus content, but the stimulus type requires adding questions related to the content*
True/False	✓	✓
Ordering		✓
Hot Spot		✓

* Not supported; workaround option

General Mgmt.

Classic Quizzes

New Quizzes

Import Content into Individual Quiz		✓
Create Practice Quiz	✓	Create an assignment worth 0 points*
Create Ungraded Quiz	✓	Create an assignment worth 0 points and select option to exclude from final grade*
Create Survey	✓	
Preview quiz (student view)	✓	✓
API access to quizzes	✓	
LockDown browser support	✓	✓
Customize Question Feedback	✓	✓
Leave/Resume Quiz	✓	✓
Manage Question Banks/Item Banks	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bookmark Banks	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Copy/Move Banked Questions (Note: There is not a way to migrate banks from Classic to new Quizzes yet.)	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Delete Banks	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Import Banks	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Randomize Bank Questions	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Share item banks	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tag banked items with metadata		✓

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Search content within an item bank 		✓
Regrade Questions	✓	✓
Reorder Questions	✓	✓
Rich Content Editor	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record audio and video 	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Content Selector Sidebar 	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accessibility Checker 	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apps and LTI tools 	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HTML Editor 	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insert media iframe 	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Right-to-left/left-to-right formatting buttons 	✓	

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Grading & Moderation

Classic Quizzes

New Quizzes

Add Extra Time (Individual Student, for the whole course)		✓
Add Extra Time (Individual Student, for the assessment)	✓	✓
Add Extra Attempt (Individual Student, for the assessment)	✓	✓
View Moderation Page	✓	✓
Manually Submit Attempts	✓	✓
View Quiz Log	✓	✓
View Student Results	✓	✓
Automatic grading of questions	✓	✓
Add Fudge Points	✓	✓

Grade One Question at a Time (SpeedGrader)	✓	
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Reports

Classic Quizzes

New Quizzes*

	Classic Quizzes	New Quizzes*
Item Analysis	✓	✓
Summary Statistics	✓	✓
Quintile Performance		✓
Student Analysis CSV	✓	

* Reports may take up to 24 hours to generate

Adapted from Source:

<https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/New-Quizzes-Users/New-Quizzes-Feature-Comparison/ta-p/243761>