How do I reply to a Discussion?

You can easily reply to any discussion, threaded or focused. However, the reply process varies depending on the type of discussion.

Open Discussions

Click the Discussions link.

Open Discussion Topic

Click the title of the Discussion.
Reply to Discussion Topic

To reply to the main discussion, type your reply in the Reply field.

Post a Message

Write your response in the Rich Content Editor [1]. You can add links, photos, equations, and/or media. If your instructor allows, you can also attach files [2]. Once you finish, click the Post Reply button [3].
View Your Reply

Your reply will be posted at the bottom of the discussion reply thread. The border of your post will flash blue indicating it has been newly posted. The dot indicator next to your post will immediately turn white if Canvas automatically marks your posts as read. However, if you manually mark your posts as read, the indicator will remain blue.

Reply to a Comment in a Focused Discussion

In a focused discussion, you can reply to a comment already posted by another student by clicking in the reply field below the post.
Post a Message

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Reply to a Comment in a Threaded Discussion

In a threaded discussion, you can reply to a comment already posted by another student. Locate the post you want to reply to and click the reply icon.

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View Your Reply

Bruce Jones
Friday
My name is Bruce. I am from Washington and I am studying History. I don't know much about this subject, which is why I am taking it.
Here are my two truths and a lie:
1. I love eating fish.
2. I loathe clam chowder.
3. I once went on a bike trip down part of the Oregon coast.

Max Johnson
Friday
I think you enjoy clam chowder. You have to 'cause you're from Washington! They have great seafood up there.

Emily Boone
Friday
Do you like clam chowder, Max? Have you ever tried it?

Max Johnson
4:54pm
I have! It is delicious!

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