Nottingham Trent University

Setting up release conditions for NOW content

In NOW, you can add release conditions to your content so that students can only see it under specific conditions.
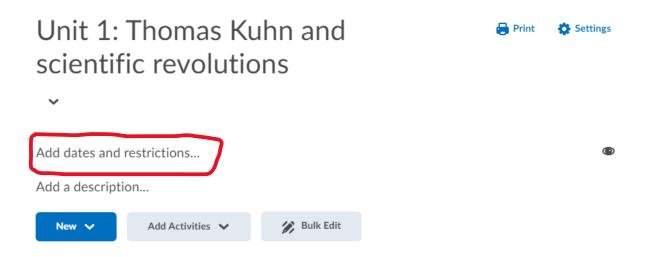
Releasing content at a specific time

You can release content to students at a specific date and time to ensure they follow it in a chronological order and everyone is working on the same content at a similar time. This may help students to plan their time.

If any **synchronous** sessions are due to be held, ensure the dates and times of these are clearly available in the Module Information section and News items. Consider any assessment dates and other **key dates** when setting release conditions – ignoring these may mean content is released without ample time for the students to access and study it.

Week by week / unit by unit release

From the table of contents on the left, select the unit. On the right, under the unit name and title, click **Add dates and restrictions.**
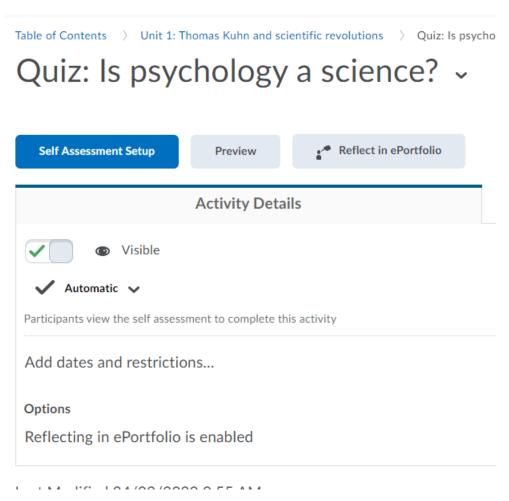

Then select **Add start date…** to choose your desired release date and time.

Start Date   Due Date   End Date

Add start date..   Add due date...   Add end date...

Release Conditions

[Create]   [Browse]

[**Update**]   [Cancel]

Click **Update** to save. Content in this week/unit will now be released on the specified date.

Specifc web pages / topics

Go to the page/topic and scroll down to the bottom of the page. Click **Add dates and restrictions.**

Table of Contents > Unit 1: Thomas Kuhn and scientific revolutions > Quiz: Is psycho

Quiz: Is psychology a science? ⌄

[**Self Assessment Setup**]   [Preview]   [✶ Reflect in ePortfolio]

Activity Details

✓⬜ 👁 Visible

✓ Automatic ⌄

Participants view the self assessment to complete this activity

Add dates and restrictions...

Options

Reflecting in ePortfolio is enabled

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Release Conditions
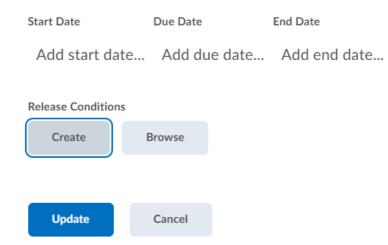
Create   Browse

Update   Cancel

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Releasing content to a group

You can release content to a specific group of students, which may be useful for group work or large cohorts.

Ensure you have [created a group](#) then go to the week/unit or web page/topic, click **Add dates and restrictions.**

Under **Release Conditions**, click **Create.**

Start Date   Due Date   End Date

Add start date...   Add due date...   Add end date...

Release Conditions

Create   Browse

Update   Cancel

Select from the dropdown list under Condition Type. Choose **Group enrolment**.

Create a Release Condition

Release this item when the following condition is met:

Condition Type

-- Select Condition Type --

Score on associated rubric
No submission to dropbox
Awards
    Award Earned
Checklist
    Completed checklist
    Completed checklist item
    Incomplete checklist
    Incomplete checklist item
Classlist
    Group Enrolment
    Learning Room Enrolment

You should see a list of your groups. Choose the one you would like to release content to > Create. The content will now be released to this group.

Releasing content depending on test/quiz results

Content can be released depending on assessment score or attempt.

Go to the week/unit/topic, click **Add dates and restrictions…**

Under **Release Conditions**, click **Create.**

Select from the dropdown list under Condition Type. Choose one of the options under **Assessments**.

-- Select Condition Type --

    Completed content topic
    Not completed content topic
Discussions
    Discussion Messages authored in Topic
    Score on associated rubric
    No posts authored in topic
Grades
    Grade value on a Grade Item
    Score on associated rubric
    No grade received
    Released final grade score
Assessments
    Score on a Assessment
    Completed Assessment Attempt
    Score on selected questions
    Score on associated rubric
    No completed assessment attempt

To ensure the content is released in line with the assessment results, the '**automatic grade**' box should be ticked in the Assessment Setup page (go to the assessment > Assessment Setup > Assessment tab).

For formative assessments, ensure you've selected **Unlimited attempts** in the Assessment Setup; otherwise some students may be unable to access the content.

This is just a sample of the many way you can apply release conditions. More guidance on various release conditions is available on NOW Central.