### Discussion Forums – How to monitor engagement and learning in these spaces

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# Why? The importance of monitoring online engagement and learning

- Real time feedback from students
- Real time feedback from staff
- Identifying students at risk
- Ongoing evaluation of course learning
- Student retention and success



# When? The key points for monitoring engagement

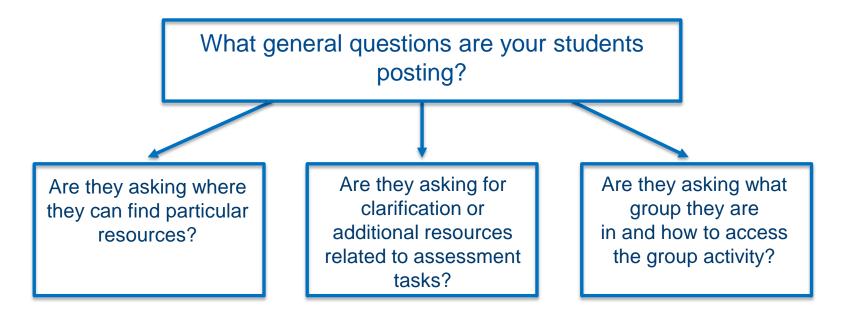
- General Discussion Forum
- Content Based Discussion Forums
- Regularly
  - o 30 min each day
  - o 1 hour every 2 days
  - o Alternate between tutors





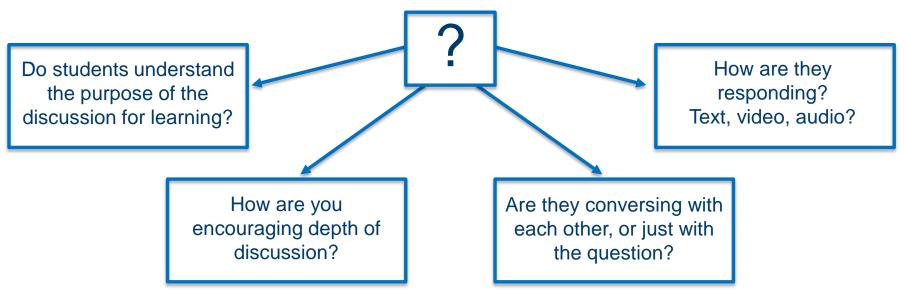
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### **General Discussion Forum**



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### **Content Based Discussion Forum**



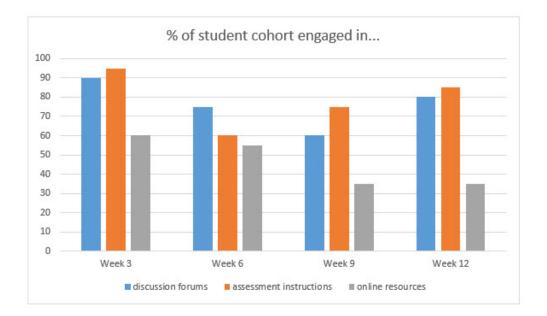
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### **Tips and Tricks**

- Open ended questions
- Acknowledging posts, with extension questions
- Groups and sharing
- Teacher/Student summaries
- Conditional release or grades
- What are you trying to achieve?

## How? Tools available for monitoring and reporting access of learning

- Progress Bar
- Logs
- Activity Report
- Participation Report
- Activity Completion
- Gradebook



### Where to from here?

### SHORT COURSE (online)

#### **BOLD Short Course 5 – Monitoring BOLD engagement**

- Monitoring engagement in online learning
- Ongoing evaluation of BOLD learning design
- Maintaining online motivation
- Keep you eye out in FedNews for details of when this course is offered

#### WORKSHOPS (online via Adobe Connect)

 Keep you eye out in FedNews for details of when these workshops are offered

#### **RESOURCES** (online & self-paced)

- Learning and Teaching Website
- FedStaff Moodle Ready
- Staff eLearning Hub

