Power Up Your Canvas Course
Canvas Intermediate Essentials: Phase 1

1. Add a File in a Content Page

If you have files students need to read or reference, you can add these in a content page. Add related files to one content page to reduce the length of your modules.

2. Create a Hyperlink to a File

After adding a file to a content page, you'll notice the entire file name is added. For example, "Solving Linear Equations.pdf" If you would like a cleaner look, you could hyperlink the file to a word.

3. Use Auto-Inline Preview for a File

When adding a file, the students can either download it or they can preview a file. The inline preview window automatically expands to fit a preview of the attached document. Way cooler.

4. Enable Attachments for Discussions

By default, students cannot add attachments to their discussions. To enable students to do this, go to Discussions and click on the settings gear. Put a checkmark in the box next to "Attach files to discussions."

5. Use a File Upload Question in a Quiz

If you want your math students to show work and still use a Canvas quiz, use the File Upload Question option. Students can take a picture of their work and upload directly to that question.

6. Import ExamView Quizzes

Your digital curriculum may come with ExamView files zipped and saved as QTI files. If you create tests in ExamView and would like to import them into Canvas, you can also export from ExamView as a WebCT file.

7. Use Collaborations

Collaborations in Canvas allow students to collaborate on a Google Doc without having to share email addresses. The Collaborations link then houses each of the collaborations making it easy for students to find them.

8. Create a Rubric for an Assignment

Adding a rubric to an assignment lets the student's know your expectations and let's them know how you intend to grade the assignment. Add rubrics to assignments, graded discussions, and quizzes.