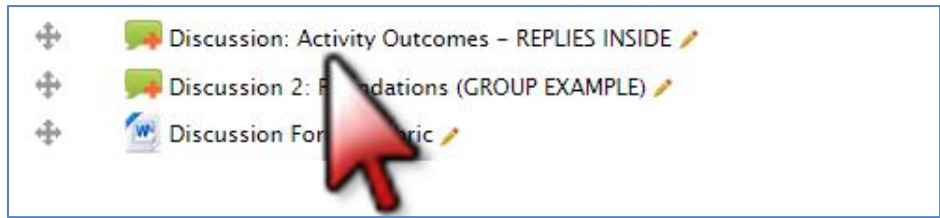


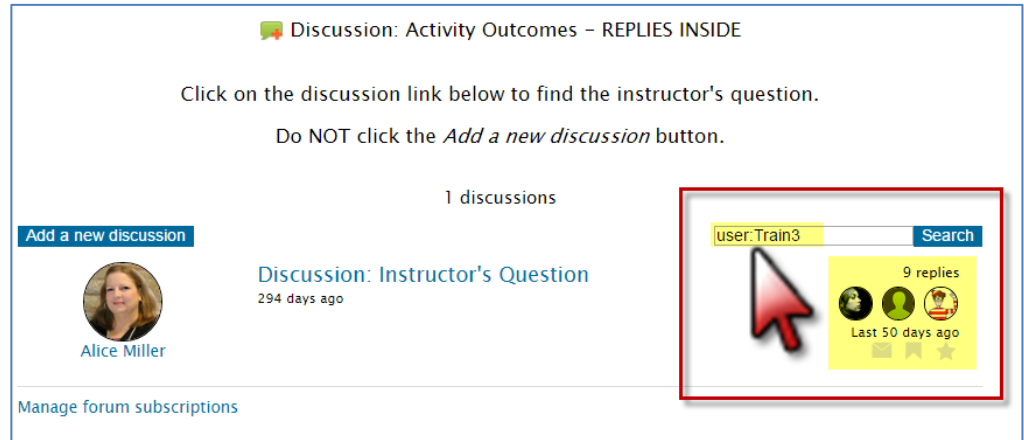
Discussion Forum Monitoring and Grading

Click the forum link to open it.



See that the number of recent replies and user icons are noted below the Search box on the right.

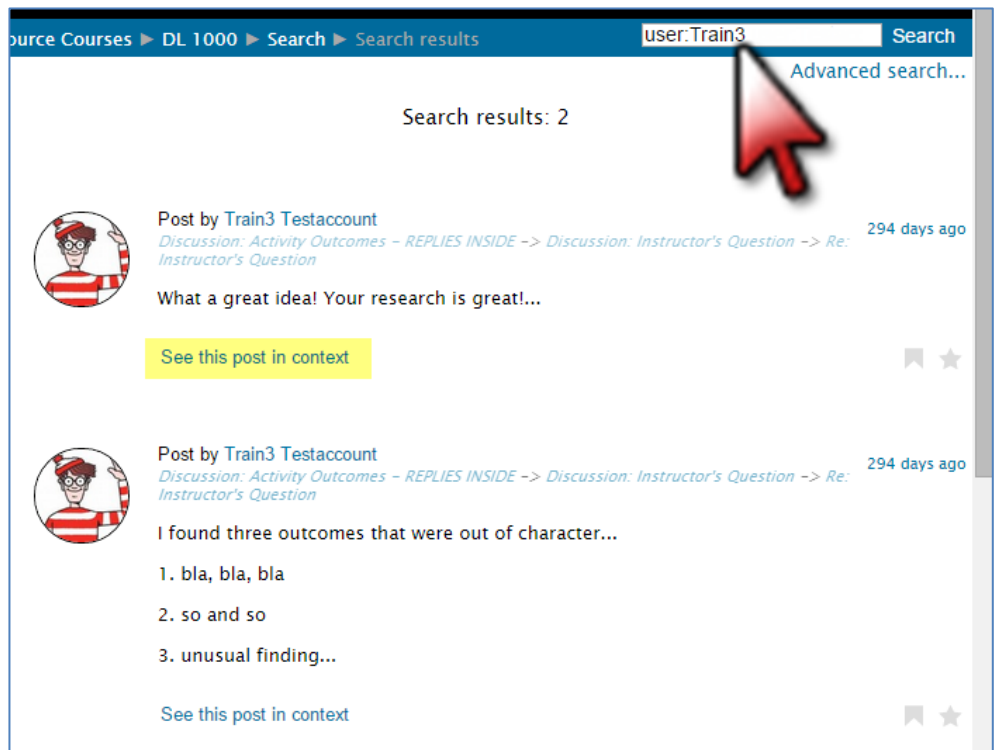
In the Search box, type the word "user:" and the last name of the student (no spaces) and click the **Search** button (example, **user:Miller**).



All replies posted by that user will appear.

Click the **See this post in context** link to return to the forum if desired.

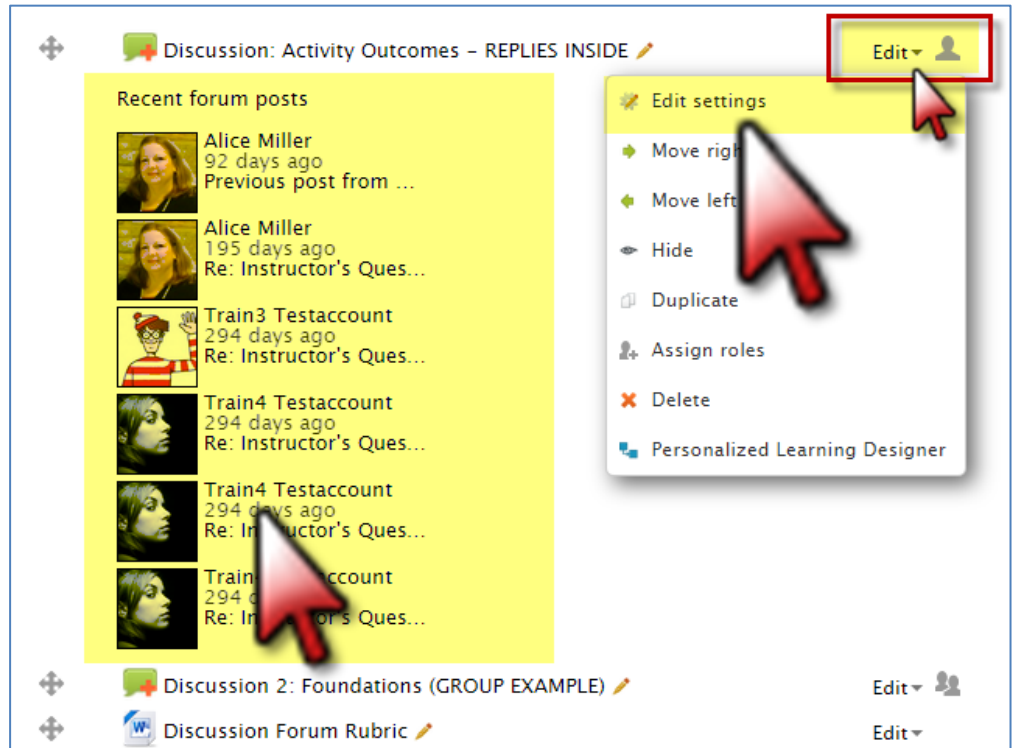
Type a different user name in the Search box and click the **Search** button to view another user's posts if needed.



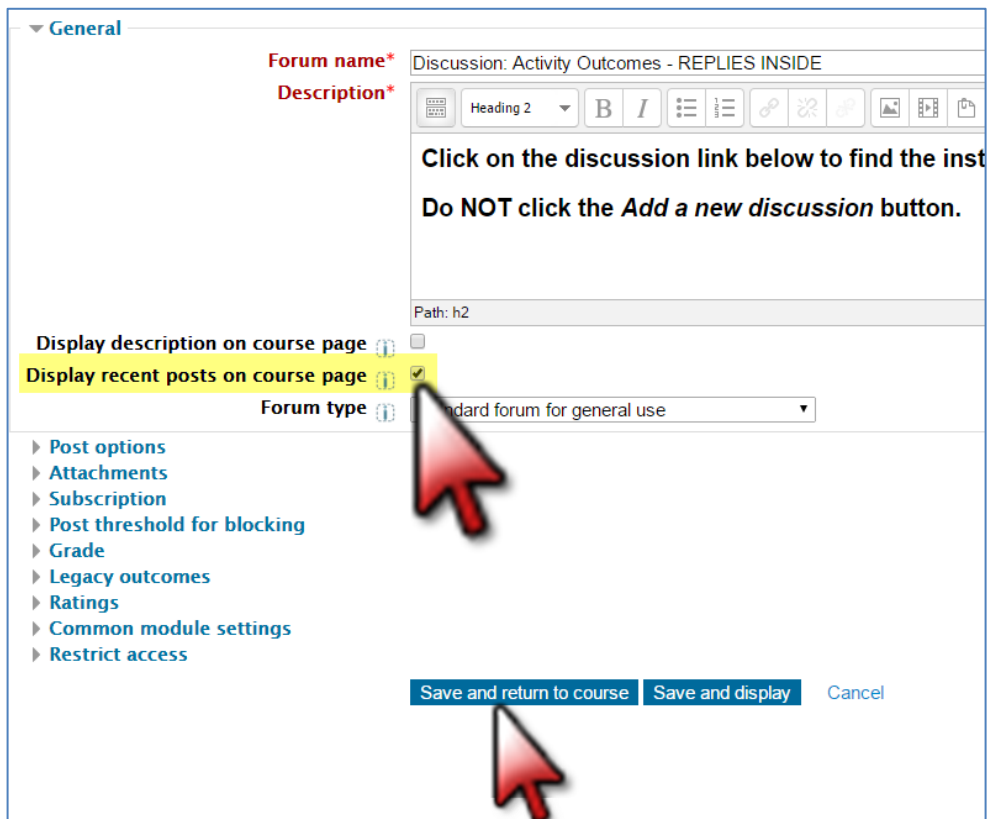
The instructor may wish to view recent posts on the main course page, outside of the forum.

Each reply can be viewed by clicking on the link to each post.

To set this up, click **Edit Settings** in the **Edit** menu.



Check the box next to **Display recent posts on course page** and click the **Save and return to course** button at the bottom of the page.



The instructor may also wish to use the Joule Grader.

1. In the **Administration** block in the left column click the **Joule Grader** link.

2. Select the activity to be graded in the dropdown menu at the top of the page.

3. Select the student from the dropdown menu. All student activity will appear in the center of the page.

4. Click the **Show only user's posts** link to remove the instructor's question if needed.

5. Enter a grade in the **Grade** box.

6. Type feedback in the **Feedback** box. Feedback will appear in the student's grade book.

7. Click the **Save grade** button.

8. Comments may also be entered in the **Activity Comments** box.

9. Click the **Save comment** button.

The screenshot shows a discussion forum interface with the following elements and callouts:

- 1:** Points to the **Joule Grader** link in the left-hand **Administration** menu.
- 2:** Points to the **Discussion: Activity ...** dropdown menu at the top.
- 3:** Points to the **Train3 Testaccount** dropdown menu at the top.
- 4:** Points to the **Show only user's posts** link in the top navigation bar.
- 5:** Points to the **Grade (out of 10)** input box, which currently contains the number **8**.
- 6:** Points to the **Type feedback here.** text area for providing feedback.
- 7:** Points to the **Save grade** button.
- 8:** Points to the **Type comments here.** text area for providing activity comments.
- 9:** Points to the **Save comment** button.

The main content area displays a discussion thread with an instructor's question and two student replies. The first reply, by Train3 Testaccount, lists three outcomes: "1. bla, bla, bla", "2. so and so", and "3. unusual finding...". The second reply, also by Train3 Testaccount, says "What a great idea! Your research is great!..."

Comments only appear in the Joule Grader in the instructor's view and in the student's view.

Both the student and the instructor can leave comments and the dialogue will be tracked in the Activity comments box in the Joule Grader.

Student view of grade book feedback.

Grade item	Grade	Range	Feedback
Alice Test course			
Discussions			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Activity x	10.00	0-50	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion: Activity Outcomes - REPLIES INSIDE	9.00	0-10	Your initial response was accurate and the supporting statements were good. Your reply to Jackson was excellent. Next time please provide a reply to two of your classmates.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion 1	8.00	0-10	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Category total	38.57	0-100	