

Purpose: Assignment Builder allows you to build three different types of VoiceThreads (VTs) that are graded and integrate with Moodle's Gradebook.

**The VT's made with Assignment Builder can only be graded using 100 points. You can use Moodle's Gradebook to weight the grade if needed.*

Prerequisites:

- Moodle course or Moodle Sandbox
- A Pro or Basic account of VoiceThread

This document contains 4 sections:

1. Set Up
2. Watch a VoiceThread - This is either a "watched" or "not watched" participation grade
3. Submit a Comment - Grade based on a student leaving a comment
4. Create a VoiceThread - this is an assignment grade based on construction of student VT

The difference between an Individual VoiceThread and an Assignment Builder VoiceThread is that Assignment Builder files are graded and tied into Moodle's Grade Book.

1. Set Up

Step 1: Log into your Moodle course.

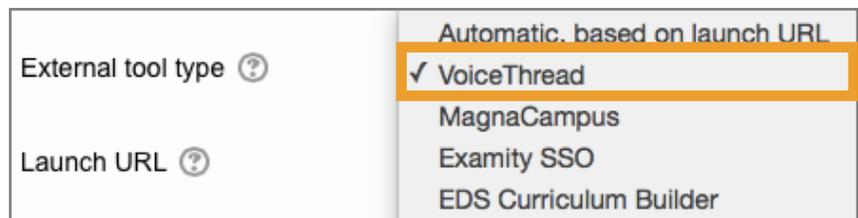
Step 2: Turn Editing On.



Step 3: Click on **Add an Activity or Resource** at the module/week you want, select the **External Tool**, and then click the Add button.

+ Add an activity or resource

Step 4: At the Settings page **title** the VT activity appropriately, **set** the External Tool Type to **VoiceThread** and **click Save and Return To Course**.



Step 5: Click the **VT link** you just created.



Step 6: At the Setup page **click** on **Assignment Builder**.



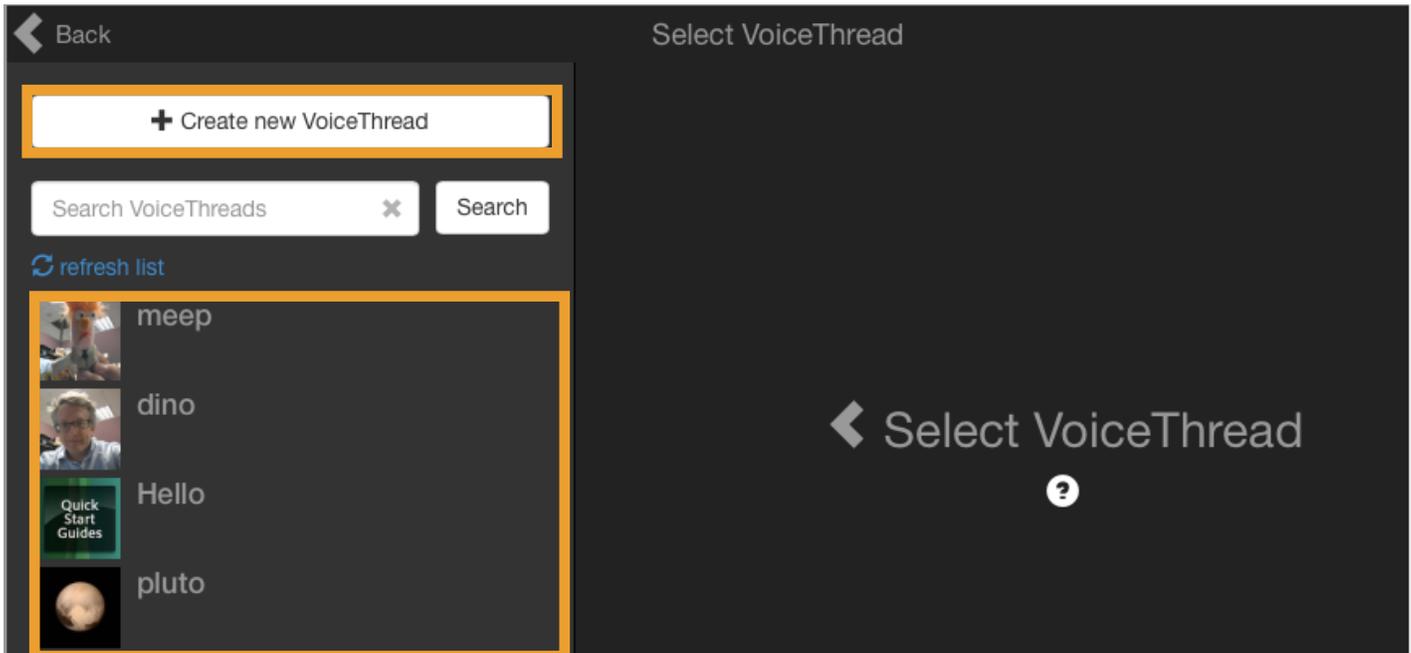
2. Watch a VoiceThread

The simplest graded VT of Assignment Builder. The grade is automatically assessed as a student either watches (100%) or does not watch the whole VT (0%).

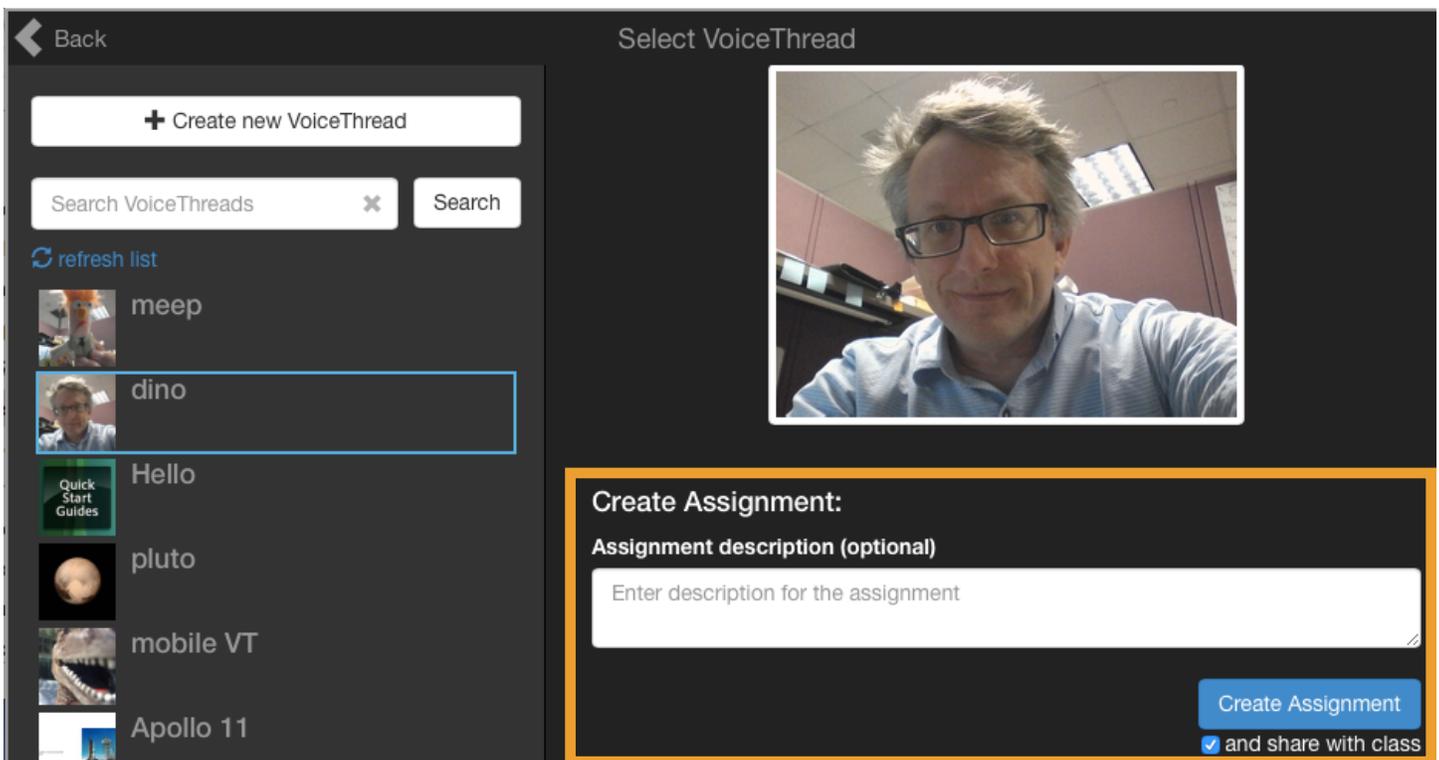
Step 1: Click the **Watch a VoiceThread** button.



Step 2: Choose a pre-made VT or create a new VT (refer to “Creating an Individual VT” on EduTools website).



Step 9: Once you have a VT, **type** in an assignment description and **click** the Create Assignment button with the Share With Class option check-marked.



After the course is successfully created, **click on Return to Course.**

Instructor and Student views for Watching Assignment:

Instructor

Students in the course.

1 student has submitted a watched VT and 2 have not.

VT - Watch

VoiceThread Title: dino

Click on a submitted assignment to view it, and enter a grade on a scale of 0-100. Grades are instantly recorded in your gradebook.

***Remember that a watched VT is an automatic 100% grade.**

Submitted Assignments

Moodle Tester3	100
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Not Submitted

Moodle Tester4	Remind
Moodle Tester1	Remind

Remind all students

Student

Submit Assignment

Name: VT - Watch

Description: no description

VoiceThread title: dino

VoiceThread description: no description

View VoiceThread in separate window

Student must click Submit after watching

dino (Slide 1 of 1) Moodle Tester3

hello

Instructor starter message

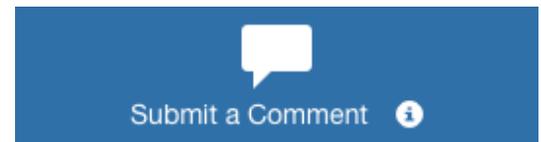
Comment

0:03 / 0:03

3. Submit a Comment VoiceThread

Step 1: Follow Steps 1 - 6 from page one.

Step 2: Click the **Submit A Comment** button.



Step 3: Use a pre-existing VT or create a new VT for your students to view. Assignment description should include expectations on the type of comment (video, audio, text, or use any type of commenting). **Choose** how many **comments** the students is required to make under Comments Required box.

At the lower right corner **click** on **Create Assignment** button and check the **And Share With Class** box. The Moderate Comments checkbox will hide one classmate's comment from the others but allow you the instructor to see all comments in the order in which they were recorded. After the course is successfully created, **click** on **Return to Course**.

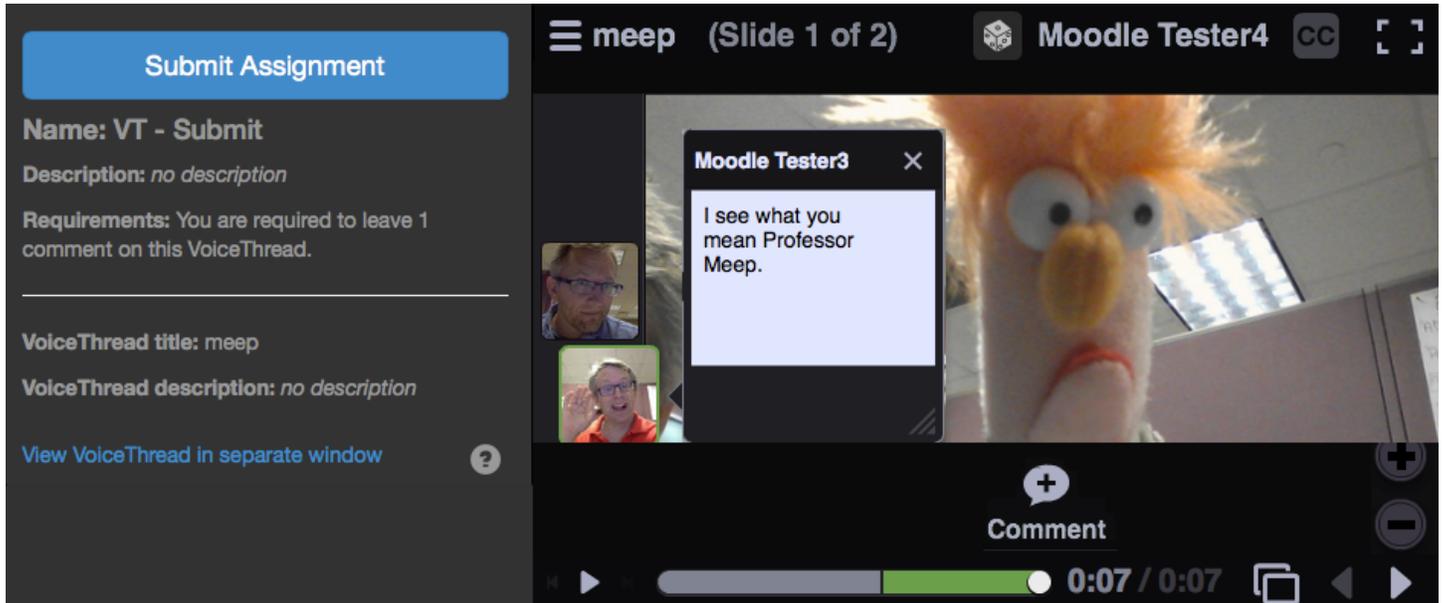
The screenshot shows the VoiceThread interface. On the left, a sidebar lists various threads: 'meep' (highlighted), 'dino', 'Hello', 'pluto', 'mobile VT', and 'Apollo 11'. The main area displays the 'meep' thread, created by Jeffrey J Hargroder on August 4th, 2015. A video thumbnail shows a person holding a puppet. Below the video, the 'Create Assignment' form is visible, with the following fields and options:

- Create Assignment:**
- Assignment description (optional):** You must make at least 2 video comments. This is for a grade.
- Comments required:** 1 (dropdown menu)
- Comments required:** 1 (checkbox)
- Create Assignment** (button)
- and share with class**
- moderate comments**

Instructor and Student views for Commenting Assignment:

Student View

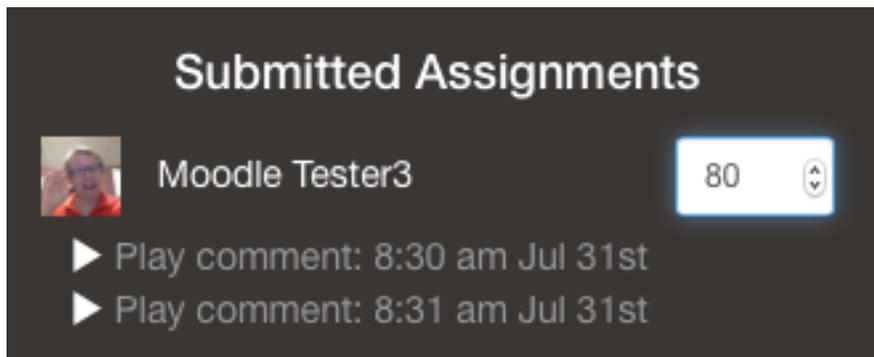
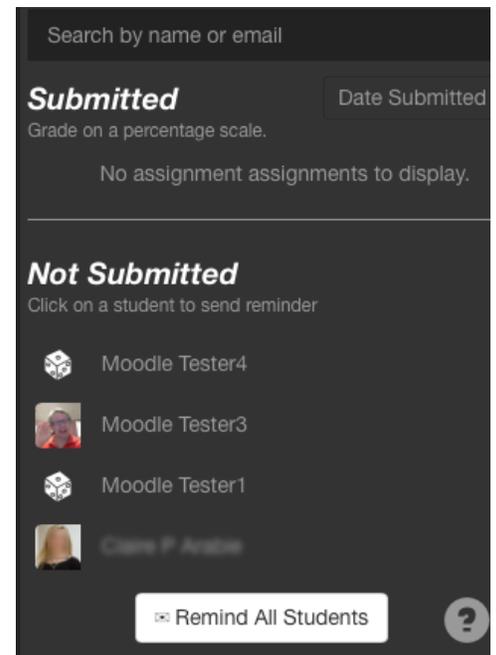
When a student logs into your course and clicks on the VT link, they will be able to participate in the assignment. Make sure to instruct your students to click the **submit** button when the assignment is completed.



Instructor View

Comments are reviewed and the assignment graded within the VT link. Grades will be saved in the Moodle gradebook. Instructor will see who has submitted and who has not submitted. The example right shows 4 students and no submissions.

The image below is what an instructor would see for a student after submitting their assignment. The student has earned an 80 and that grade will be saved in the Moodle gradebook. The student has two comments.



4. Create a VoiceThread

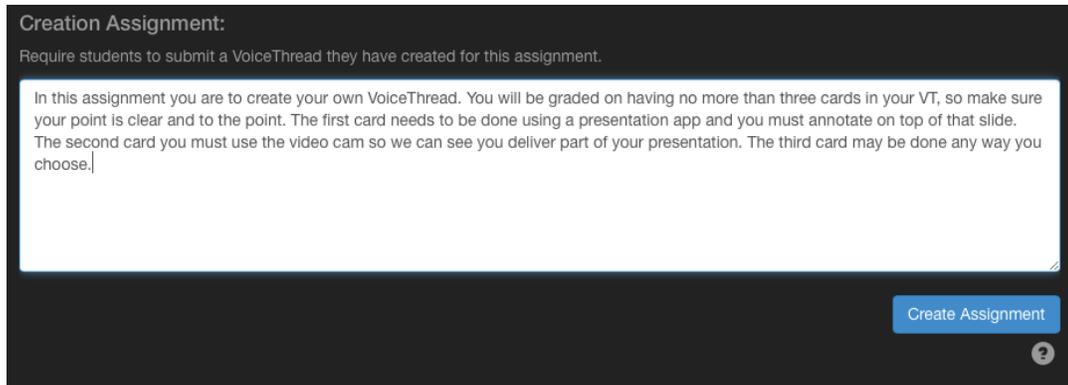
This type of VoiceThread requires the student to create their own VoiceThread and submit it for comments and grading.

Step 1: Follow Steps 1 - 6 from the first page.

Step 2: Click the **Create A VoiceThread** button.



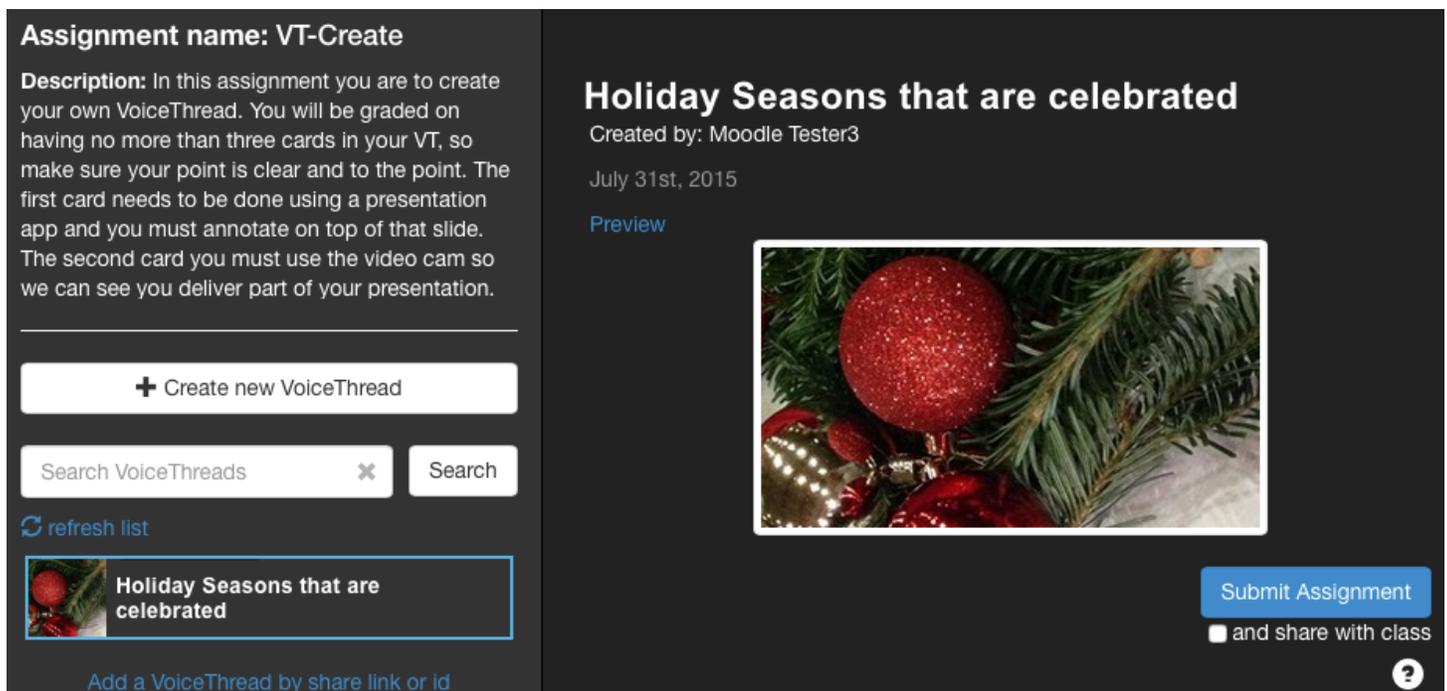
Step 3: At the **Creation Assignment** page, type in a description of your expectations for student work. **Click the Create Assignment** button when done. **Click on Return to Course.**



Instructor and Student views for Creating Assignment:

Student View

The student will go to your course, click on the link and create a VT or link a pre-existing VT file for the completion of the assignment.



Instructor View: Here the instructor has clicked on the VT assignment within Moodle and can see a list of students in the course. One assignment is submitted, with three others still outstanding. Reminders can be sent out to students that have not made submissions. The submitted VT was viewed and scored with a grade of 90 that is saved directly to the Moodle gradebook.

The screenshot shows the Moodle interface for a VoiceThread (VT) assignment. The video player displays a Christmas tree with red and gold ornaments. The interface includes a search bar, a list of submitted students (Moodle Tester3 with a grade of 90), and a list of not submitted students (Moodle Tester4, Moodle Tester1, and Cheryl P. ...). A 'Remind All Students' button is visible at the bottom of the list.

*If you would like the other students to make comments on one another's VT as part of the assignment, you will need to make a secondary link. As of yet there is not a way to have a Create assignment that allows you to have comments as part of the grading process. To accomplish this, setup the initial Create assignment as the directions for this section points out. Then under that Create link, you'll create another VT link, one that points to **Course View** (not part of the Assignment Builder). Students will click on that second link in order to access one another's VoiceThreads and comment. This option won't be tied into the gradebook, so you would still need to enter those grades into your grade book manually. The instructor will click on the VT link in the course to view who has completed the assignment and to view and grade the work.

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