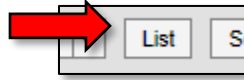


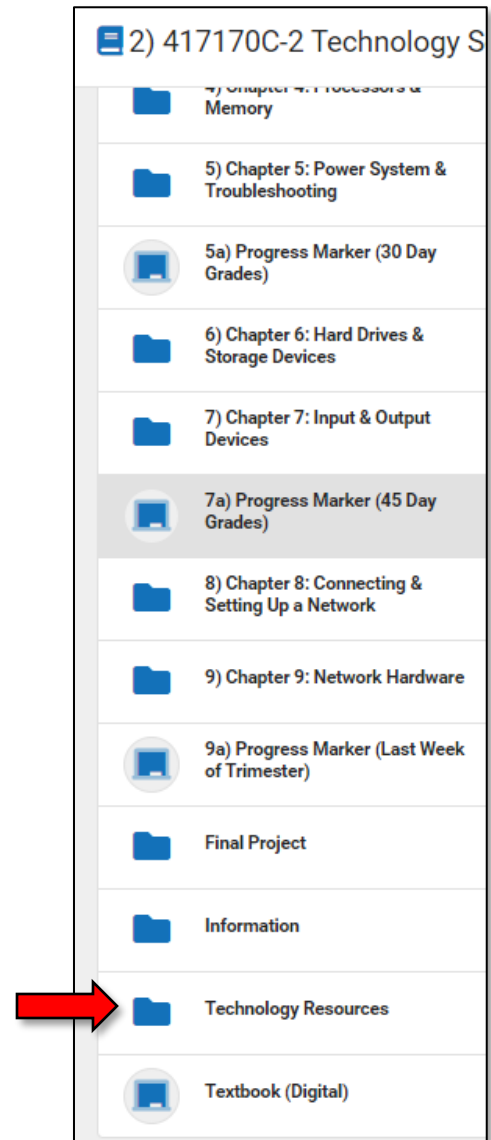
Creating a Discussion in your LMS

You can create a **Discussion** in your LMS. A **Discussion** is similar to a blog. In fact, it works almost exactly like a blog with the exemption that it is secure and included in the students' Portal account.

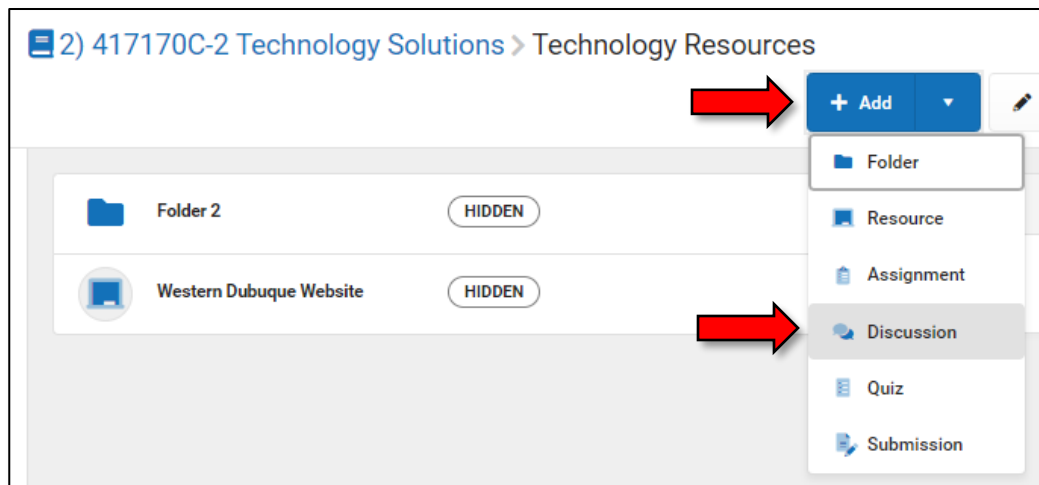
1. In your Grade Book, click **List**.



2. Select the **Resource** you would like to add your **Discussion** to.

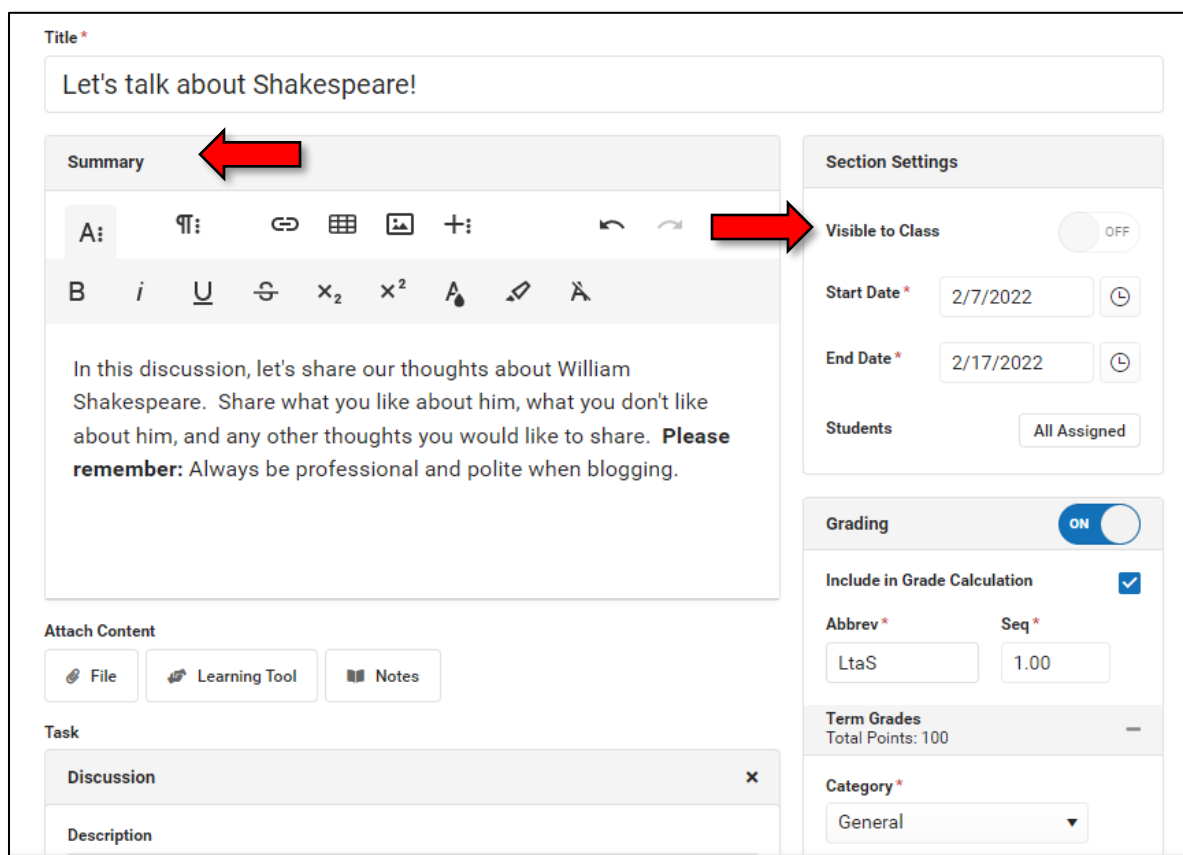


3. From the +**Add** drop-down menu, click **Discussion**.



4. Set up your **Discussion** as would any assignment. The exception may be in the **Summary** where you would provide specific details about your Discussion expectations.

NOTE: For the students to respond to your Discussion, your Discussion must be **Visible to Class**.



5. In the **Description** text area, enter the discussion you would like to begin. You may want to copy this text for later use.

6. Select **Allow participants to edit their responses** if you would like students to be able to edit.

7. Click **Save**.

The screenshot shows a form for creating a discussion. On the left, there is a 'Description' text area with a red arrow pointing to it. The text area contains the text: "I enjoy reading Shakespeare. His writing is eloquent, formal, and let's me really get into the characters he writes about." Below the text area is a 'Student Options' section with a checked checkbox labeled 'Allow participants to edit their responses' and a red arrow pointing to it. On the right side of the form, there are several sections: 'General' with a dropdown menu, 'Standard/Grading Task*' with a dropdown menu, 'Scoring Type*' with 'Points' and 'Marks' buttons, 'Points*' with a value of 50, and 'Multiplier*' with a value of 1.000. Below these are buttons for '+ Add Standard/Task', 'Add Scoring Rubric', and 'Other Sections/Schedules' with a button that says 'Available to edit after saving.' At the bottom of the form are four buttons: 'Save', 'Save and Add Sections', 'Preview', and 'Cancel'.

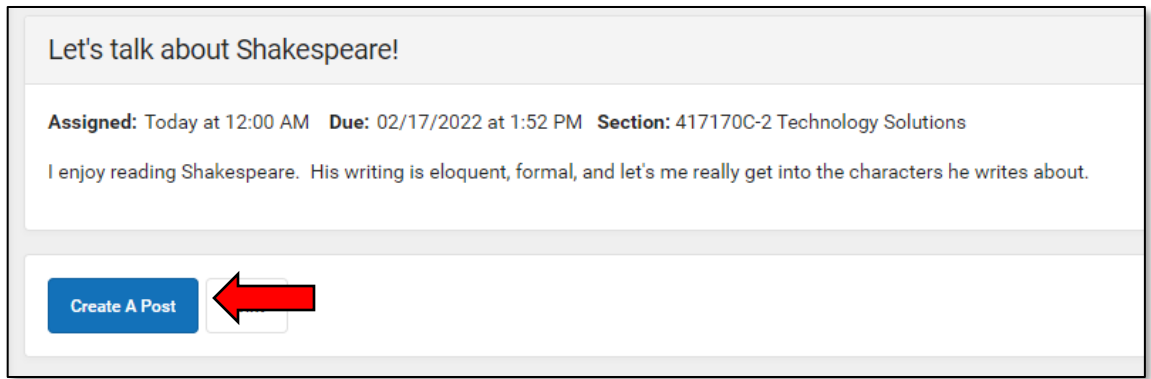
8. From your Campus **Instruction** left window, click **Discussions**.

9. Click the **Discussion** you would like to begin with the students (or teachers).

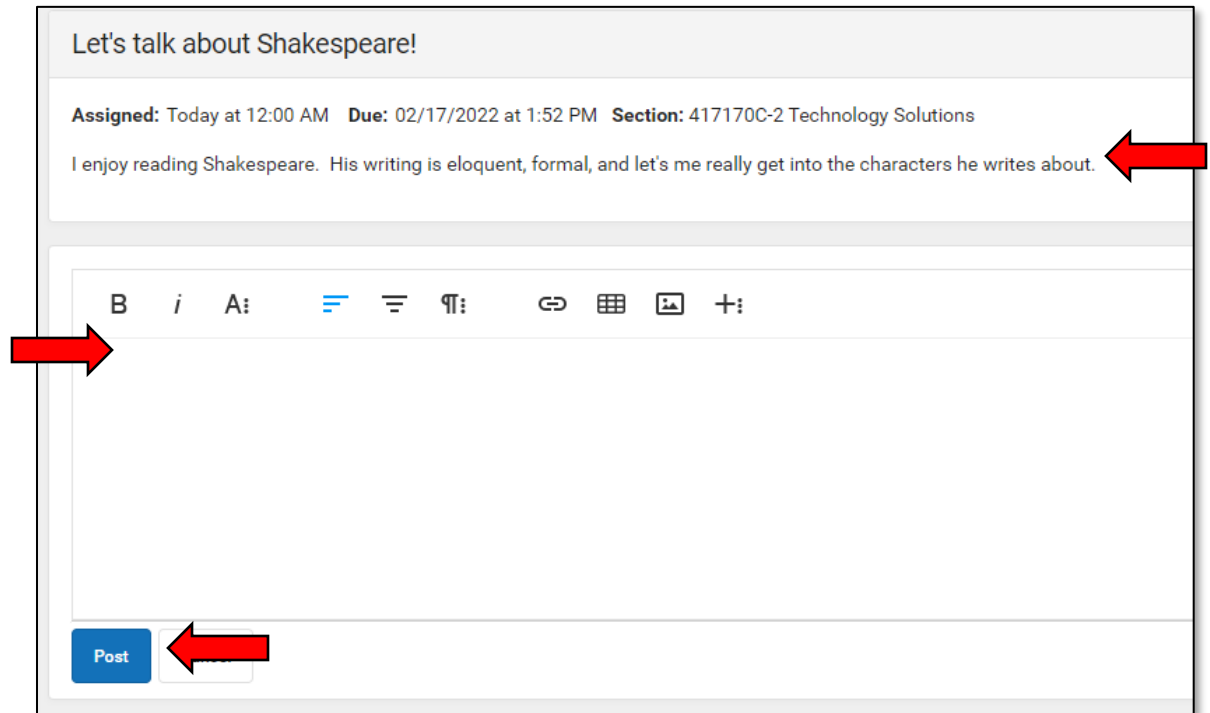
The screenshot shows the 'Instruction' sidebar on the left with a red arrow pointing to the 'Discussions' menu item. The main area displays a table of discussions. The table has three columns: 'DISCUSSION', 'END DATE', and 'SECTION'. The first row contains the text 'Let's talk about Shakespeare!' with a red arrow pointing to it, the date '02/17/2022 1:52 PM', and the section ID '417170C-2'.

DISCUSSION	END DATE	SECTION
Let's talk about Shakespeare!	02/17/2022 1:52 PM	417170C-2

10. If everything displays as you like, click **Create A Post**.



11. Copy, then re-type or paste the discussion question you would like students to blog about and paste it in the text area. Or, enter a new question.



12. When you are satisfied with the content you would like posted, click **Post**.

13. Students will be able to view Discussions by clicking on the **Discussions** link that will appear in their left navigation window.

