

This template is intended for quiz creators like me who do not like awkward Moodle mechanism for quiz authoring and prefer familiar word processor environment. Besides, the latter way of quiz creation is an offline activity and solves the problem of demanding continuous access to a Moodle server.

The template is based on the original work of Mikko Rusama. I have almost completely recasted his code and borrowed some ideas concerning the interface from Enrique Casto. My version do not deal with the GIFT format which is not native to Moodle and lack some its capabilities (for example, adding images to questions), but produces Moodle XML files instead.

1 Installation

You need Microsoft Word to be installed. I've tested the template with Word 2003/2007, but I also expect it to work with the previous releases as well.

Download the distribution archive and unzip it into any folder you like.

2 Usage

Double-click on the .dot template file found in the folder and a new document will be created. It will look blank but there is an additional toolbar and some predefined styles.

You can make a good start by creating a multichoice question using a first toolbar button. It inserts a text saying "Insert Multiple Choice Question here" that is to be replaced by the question body. Then press Enter and start typing choices in. The first is assumed to be True, others are false; you can change their truth by pressing T/F button at the toolbar or Shift+Ctrl+A.

I recommend you to save your quizzes into the same folder where .dot is located because the macro needs the /xml-question folder to proceed with the export. You can still edit the quiz without the distribution files at all but it is the export operation that relies on them.

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