Completing a Graded VoiceThread Assignment
This guide walks you through completing a graded VoiceThread in your D2L Course. Also check out Commenting on a VoiceThread guide.

Before you get started, note:

- VoiceThread is **fully supported** in **Chrome** and **Firefox** web browsers. For the best experience, keep your web browser up-to-date.
- VoiceThread can be viewed, but audio and video cannot currently be recorded with Safari or Edge web browsers. (The **new Chromium version of Edge** allows you to record audio and video.)
- VoiceThread offers a **mobile app**. You’ll select **Colorado Mesa University D2L** and use your **MAVzone credentials** to log in once the app is installed. You will be able to access D2L via the VoiceThread app as well.
- Users with visual impairments who need accommodations may switch to **VoiceThread Universal** from their accounts.
- Check out **VoiceThread’s Troubleshooting documentation** for more details.

For more information from the NEW Graded Assignments experience, check out the **New Assignment Student Guide** from VoiceThread.
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Tutorial Videos
- **Create**: Submitting a Create VoiceThread Assignment
- **Submit a Comment**: Submitting a Submit a Comment VoiceThread Assignment
- **Watch**: Submitting a Watch VoiceThread Assignment

Graded VoiceThread Options
There are three graded options: **Create, Comment, and Watch.**

Create
This type of assignment may be used for presentations, portfolios, demonstrations, etc. **Authentic assessments**, where you demonstrate skills, is another use. Writing, design, photography, etc. **portfolio-style** assignments, where progression is shown over time, may be created with this type of assignment. **Formative assessments** may also be created, where your instructor gives written or media feedback, as well as using the **Doodle** tool for annotations.

Your instructor may have you do **peer review** work. You and your peers can add slides, get feedback, and then upload revisions.
Here’s an example of what a you may see for a Create new VoiceThread assignment: Information about the assignment – instructions (such as upload media, and number of comments to record), due date (if set), grade type (%), and whether you have submitted an assignment or not.

1. Click the Start assignment button.
2. In 1 Add Media, select how you wish to add your media: Add from computer, Record video slide, External source (My VoiceThreads, Flickr, Google Drive, or New York Public Library), Enter a URL, Take a picture, or Record audio slide. You also have the option to Use an existing VoiceThread instead of creating a new one.

3. If you select the option to Record video slide, Take a picture, or Record audio slide, you will probably need to grant your browser permission to access your webcam and/or microphone. (We’ll use the Record video slide for this example. If you select one of other media options, just follow the prompts from VoiceThread.)
4. When you’re ready to record, click **Start Recording**.

5. When you’re finished, click **Stop Recording**.

6. You can play your video to review it, and then **Cancel**, **Save**, or **Record More**.
7. Once you’re back on the **1 Add Media** page, you may edit the **title** of your media, **edit** or **delete** the slide you created, **add more media**, etc. Once you’re finished adding media, click **Continue**.

8. In **2 Open and comment**, click on the + button below your slide media to make a comment.
9. This gives you the option to add **Text**, **Telephone** (audio), **Microphone** (audio), **Webcam** (video), or **Upload** comments. (Please note: Your instructor may have limited your commenting options to certain types.)

For more details on commenting, check out our [Commenting on a VoiceThread guide](#).

10. Once you’ve made your comment(s), you may click **Submit**. (VoiceThread will have a note from your instructor if **Resubmission is allowed**.)

11. You’ll receive a **Success** message. And, you’ll have the option to **Withdraw submission** if your instructor allowed it. If you need to edit your submission, make your changes and then click **Resubmit** when you are finished.

12. You’ll also see your **submission date & time** and whether your instructor has **graded** your assignment yet.
Comment

The **Submit a Comment** assignment may be used by your instructor if you are expected to add a slide to your instructor’s VoiceThread presentation.

Another use of the Comment option is **quizzing**. Your instructor may add the number of comments required based on the number of quiz questions in the VoiceThread. An oral quiz for a language course may be a good use of this type of quiz. You may even use the **Doodle** tool to label a diagram.

Here’s an example of what a you may see for a **Submit a Comment** assignment: **Information** about the assignment – **instructions** (number of comments to record), **due date** (if set), **grade type** (%), and whether you have **submitted** an assignment or not.

1. Click the **Start assignment** button.
2. Click on the + button below your slide media to make a comment.

(Repeat for additional comments, as required by your instructor.)
3. This gives you the option to add **Text**, **Telephone** (audio), **Microphone** (audio), **Webcam** (video), or **Upload** comments. (Please note: Your instructor may have limited your commenting options to certain types.) For more details on commenting, check out our [Commenting on a VoiceThread guide](#).

Once you add the appropriate number of comments, you may click **Submit Assignment**. Note: You need to make the exact or minimum number of comments assigned by your instructor before you are able to submit the assignment. (VoiceThread will have a note from your instructor if **Resubmission is allowed**.)

4. You’ll receive a **Success** message. And, you’ll have the option to **Withdraw submission** if your instructor allowed it. If you need to edit your submission, make your changes and then click **Resubmit** when you are finished.

5. You’ll also see your **submission date & time** and whether your instructor has **graded** your assignment yet.
Watch

The **Watch a VoiceThread** option is designed more for passive watching, rather than slides with peer comments. Otherwise, VT will make you listen to all associated comments. Note: You will not be allowed to submit the assignment until 100% of all slides and comments have been played.

Here’s an example of what you may see for a **Watch a VoiceThread** assignment: **Information** about the assignment – **You must watch all comments on the thread** and **You must watch all central media on the thread**, **due date** (if set), **grade type** (Pass/Fail) and whether you have **submitted** an assignment or not.

1. Click the **Start assignment** button.
2. Click the **play** (forward triangle) icon to start watching/listening/reading.
3. You will have a status update as to whether you have completed parts of the viewing:

4. Once you have completed all parts, you will be able to click **Submit**.
5. You’ll receive a **Success** message and see the date you submitted the Watch assignment. These are automatically graded as **pass/fail**, so you will also see your submission was **Graded**. (You will be able to go back and watch the VoiceThread in part or full again if you wish.)

**Information**

- You must watch all comments on the thread
- You must watch all central media on the thread

**Assignment Information**

- No due date set
- **Pass / Fail**
- Submitted Nov 10, 2020 - 1:35 PM
- **Graded**