Quiz - Aiken Format

Import Quiz Questions to AsULearn Using the Aiken Format

The Aiken format lets you create multiple-choice or true-false questions using a simple, human-readable format that you can save as a plain text file and import into AsULearn.

Step-by-step guide

Write Questions in the Aiken Format

1. Write your questions in a text editor such as Notepad (Windows) or Text Edit (Mac OS X), and format as follows.

- The question must be all on one line. There can be multiple sentences, but no hard returns.
- Each answer must start with a single uppercase letter, followed by a period "." OR a right parenthesis ")", then a space.
- The answer line must immediately follow, starting with "ANSWER: " (with a space after the colon) and then give the letter for the correct answer.
- Note: The word "ANSWER" and the answer letters (A,B,C etc.) must be capitalized as shown, otherwise the import will fail.

2. Use Save As and save your questions as a .txt (plain text) file in **UTF-8** format (encoding).

Examples:

The lead actress in the film, '*Blind Side*' portraying the mother is played by the following person.
A. Jennifer Aniston
B. Sandra Bullock
C. Dustin Hoffman
D. Lady Gaga
ANSWER: B

The author of, "To Kill a Mockingbird" is Harper Lee.
A. True
B. False
ANSWER: A

Importing to AsULearn Question Bank

1. Log into the AsULearn course where you would like to add questions.
2. Click the Gear Icon in the upper corner and select More > Question Bank > Import

1. For File format, select **Aiken Format**.
2. Click the **General** heading to expand the settings and for **Import category**, select a Category (or use Default for course) .

Note: To create a new category, click the Categories tab and then do the import process.

Under Import questions from file, **drag and drop** your .txt file onto the the Import box, or alternately, click **Choose a file**.... to browse for the .txt file on your computer.

1. Click Import. You will see a page with the message "importing (# of) question(s) from file," with a list of the questions.
2. Click Continue. Your Question Bank will open. You can now further edit the questions or include the questions in a quiz.

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