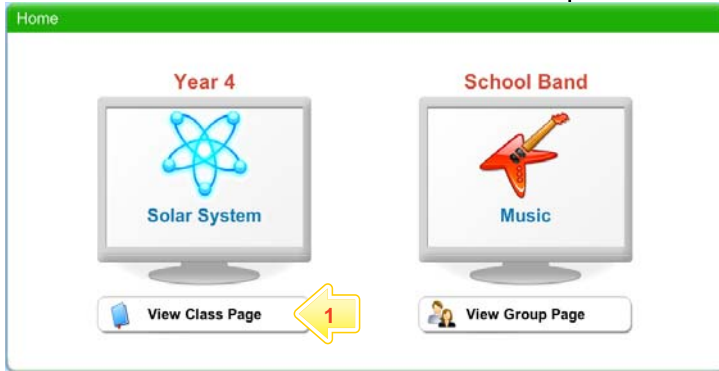


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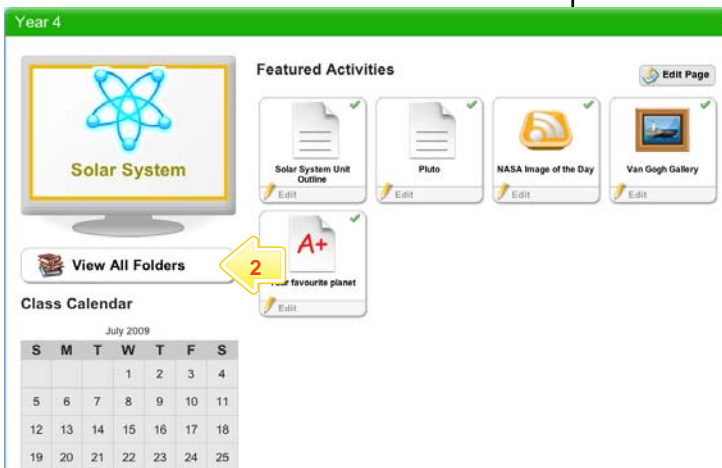
## Create a new Discussion

With StudyWiz Discussions you can discuss topics with a Class, Group or an individual within your StudyWiz community.

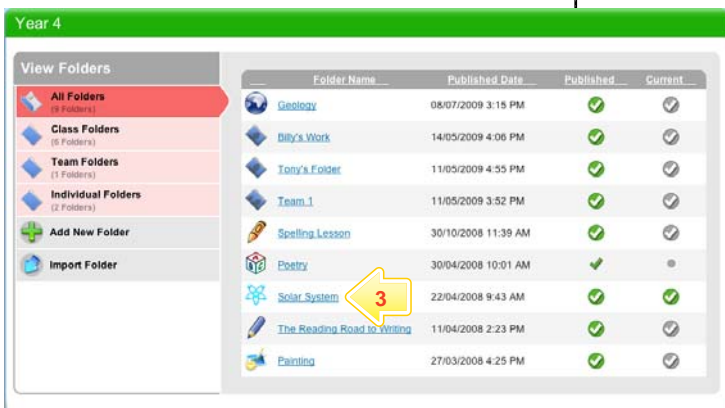
1 Below the Class or Group in which you want to create the activity, click the **View Class Page** button.



2 Click the **View All Folders** button.

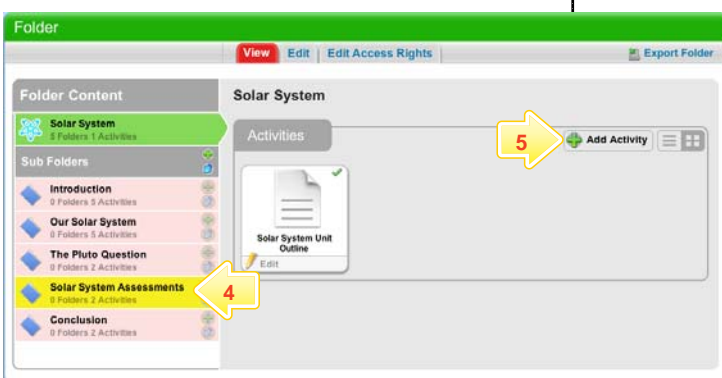


3 Click the Folder to which you want to add the activity.

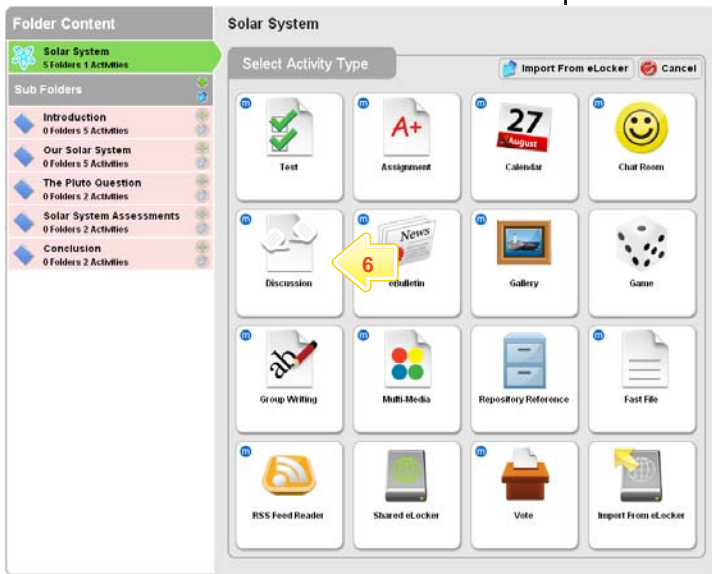


4 If you want to save the activity in a sub folder, click the Sub Folder.

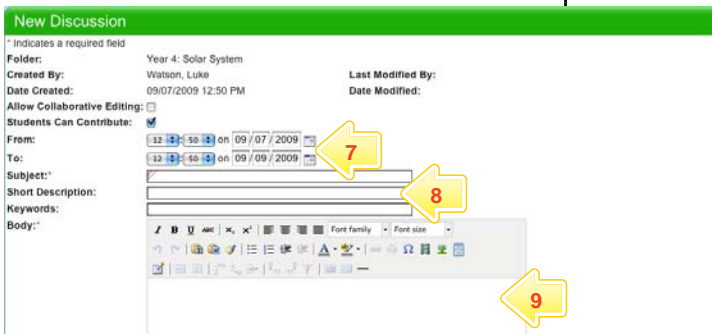
5 Click the **Add Activity** button.



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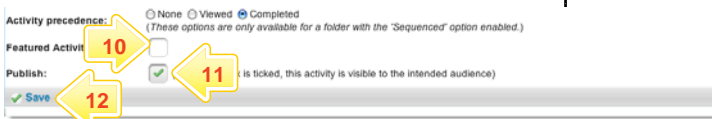
6 Click **Discussion**.



7 In the **From** and **To** fields, set the times and dates between which you want the Discussion to be available.

8 Complete the **Subject**, **Short Description** and **Keywords** fields. Separate keywords with spaces or commas.

9 In the **Body** field, begin the Discussion and enter any other details.



10 To set the Discussion as a featured activity, select the **Featured Activity** checkbox.

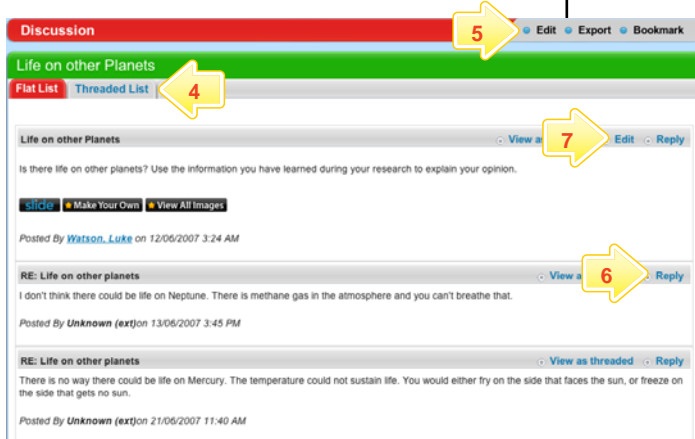
11 If the Discussion is ready to publish, select the **Publish** checkbox.

12 Click **Save**. The Discussion is saved and the Prerequisites option is enabled.

Once the Discussion is under way you can view, respond to and edit the replies.

# Discussion

## Edit or Respond to a Discussion



- 1 Open the Folder that contains the Discussion.
  - 2 If the discussion is contained in a Sub Folder, click the Sub Folder that contains the Discussion.
  - 3 Click the Discussion. The Discussion page appears.
  - 4 Click the tabs to view the discussion as a **Flat List**, or as a **Threaded List**.
  - 5 To edit the entire Discussion, click **Edit** on the Discussion panel.
  - 6 To comment in the discussion, click **Reply**.
- Discussion replies are threaded, logged and date stamped.
- 7 To edit or moderate a user comment, click the **Edit** option adjacent to the comment.
  - 8 Click **Save** after every edit or reply.

## Tips and Hints

- 1 Discussions are a great way to engage students and get them talking about a topic.
  - Set up a Discussion as part of a classroom activity and tell your students that the content of the discussion will form part of an assessment.
  - Use Discussions as Group or Team 'logbooks' for reporting; this encourages input from all class members.
- 2 The StudyWiz Discussion activity has all the benefits of a Chat session with the added advantage that it is threaded. Discussions can veer onto related topics and not detract from the coherence of the original thread.
- 3 By setting up a group containing the Teachers and Parents of a particular student you can create a Discussion between the Teachers and the Parents.

If you have any ideas for this tool, you're invited to share them with other teachers at the StudyWiz Global Community - <http://studywizqc.org/>