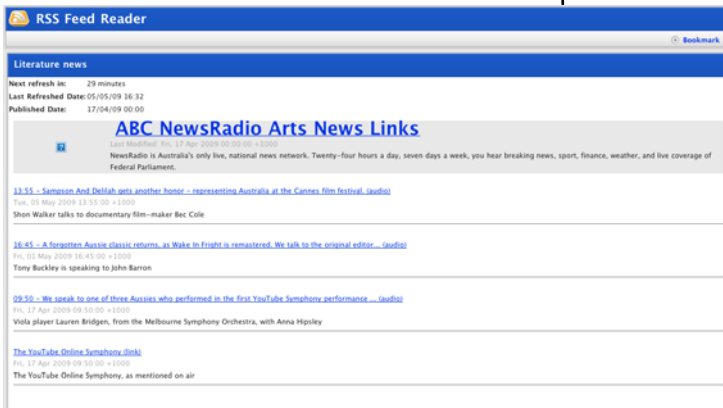


# RSS Feed Reader

## Create an RSS Feed Reader Activity

The RSS Feed Reader Activity allows you to set up a reader within Studywiz to source its content from any RSS enabled web site.

When viewing an RSS feed Reader Activity, students see the most recent content from the feed without students having to visit the site itself. Students can click the links and they will function as though the students were on the page itself.



1 Roll the mouse pointer over the **Create** tab. The Activity list appears.

2 Click **RSS Feed Reader**. The New RSS Feed Reader panel appears.

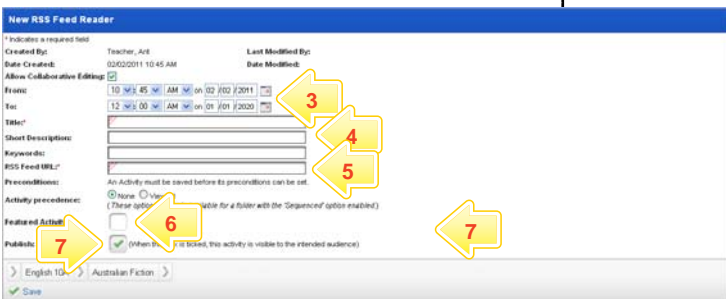
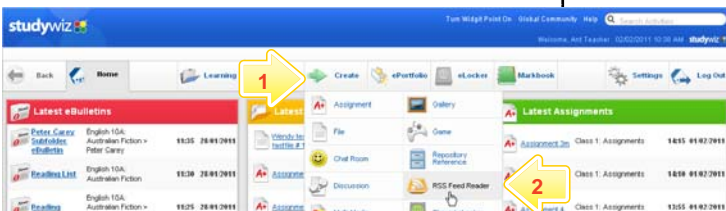
3 In the **From** and **To** fields, set the times and dates between which you want the activity to be available.

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

5 In the **RSS Feed Reader URL** field, enter the URL for the RSS feed Reader. The easiest way to do this is to:

- On the RSS list web site, right click the RSS hyperlink, and select **Copy Link**, or
- Click the RSS link icon to open the RSS page, and copy the address from your browser address bar.

Paste the URL into the **RSS URL** field.



6 To set the RSS Feed Reader as a featured activity, select the **Featured Activity** checkbox.

7 If the activity is ready to publish, select the **Publish** checkbox.

**Hint** Use the crumbtrail to change the Activity's location.

8 Click **Save**. The RSS Feed Reader is saved and the **Prerequisites** option is enabled.

## Problems?

Feeds will not be accessible through the RSS Feed activity if:

- The Studywiz server has not been configured to access the Internet. (In this case, the System Administrator needs to enable internet access on the server.)
- The file encoding or feed format/version is unsupported.
- The URL is incorrect or the feed does not exist.
- The feed is not well-formatted (poor or no XML structure).

In any of these cases, the following message will be displayed when viewing the activity:  
*"This RSS feed doesn't appear to be a valid RSS 0.91, 1.0, or 2.0 feed."*

Studywiz RSS Supports the following feed standards:

- RDF Site Summary (RSS 0.9 and 1.0)
- Rich Site Summary (RSS 0.91 and 1.0)
- Really Simple Syndication (RSS 2.0)
- Atom 0.3, Atom 1.0

If you have any ideas for using RSS Feeds within Studywiz, share them with other teachers at the Studywiz Global Community – <http://studywizqc.org/>. Log in using the button in Studywiz.