**Introduction to SoftChalk Create**

Blackboard Learn

Creating Lessons in Blackboard Learn involves manually cut and paste from a Word document, entering text and other material into the Visual Editor, or attaching files in a content container. Quizzes and test questions are displayed in a separate content container. Long lessons are just that. Your style is that of Blackboard Learn unless you want to get into the HTML in any content container.

SoftChalk Lesson Builder is a web page builder-editor with a palette of interactive, online activities that can be automatically graded and recorded in the Blackboard Learn Grade Center.

Package one or more lessons to a disk drive or a CD

Publish a lesson to a web site

Upload to Blackboard Learn

SoftChalk Create (8) is available without charge for UIC from <http://webstore.uic.edu>.

There are tutorial documents and videos at <http://support.softchalk.com/ics/support/splash.asp>.

Identify your course site to SoftChalk

Bb > course site > Control Panel > Course Tools > SoftChalk Publish with Score Center

SoftChalk Access Code Configuration

Submit

SoftChalk Access Code

File > Publish Lesson > Servers > New

Paste Access Code.

Enter Descriptive Name.

Enter blackboard.uic.edu as the Server Name.

Properties > Style Properties

Style

 Notice the paragraph in color. => Headers used to create Table of Contents

Title & Layout

Header (Banner)

Lesson Title

Subtitle

Footer

 Update lessons and copyrights

 Creative Commons License Options (attribution)

Sidebar Layout

 On-page sidebar shows only when needed.

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Navigation

Print All Pages

Content

Building Web Pages

Format

Plain Text or Headers

Edit > Paste as Text

Edit > Find and Replace

Table

Convert Table to Text

Tools > Check Spelling

Tools > HTML Source

Preview (View in Browser icon)

Desktop and Mobile

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Properties > Page Names

Properties > Sidebars – Not visible when empty

Handouts

Learn More

More Resources

Text Only

Insert Page Breaks

Insert Items

 Special Characters

Math Characters

 Equation Editor

Page Break

Ctrl or Cmd + Enter or Return

Right-click to delete

Horizontal Rule

Image

Bookmark

Hyperlink for file or web page

Media

Web Widget

iFrame for PDF or web page

Insert Activities

Text Popper

 Activity

 Quiz Popper

 Quiz Group

Tools > Library

Tools > Media Search

SoftChalk CONNECT

SoftChalk Cloud

Licensed by user not workstation

Provides shared storage in cloud

Can use BbLearn Content System to share

Tools > Style Builder

Tools > eCourseBuilder

Properties > Meta Data