Creating a Discussion Board Post

Step 1 – To begin Click on discussion from the course menu.
Step 2 – A forum is a way to organize discussions into topics. Forums can have different settings and rules. Click on any forums.

### Discussion Board

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<th>Forum</th>
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<td>Surf’s Up: Wave Dynamics and Wind Waves</td>
<td>This forum will hold our discussions on wave terminology, relevant websites, and questions.</td>
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<td>Wave Assignment: Energy from Waves and Tides</td>
<td>Explore harnessing energy from waves and tides. Please narrow your topic to a specific aspect such as:</td>
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<td>• how could the energy be extracted?</td>
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Step 3 – Next select a Thread and click.
Step 4 – Threads are created by your instructor to represent the different conversations that occur in the forum.

Step 5 – You can create a discussion board post by replying in the thread.
Step 6 – You can change the subject of a conversation to let your readers know the content of your message.

![Reply to Post]

* Indicates a required field.

1. **Message**

   **Author:** Tony Brown  
   **Date:** Thursday, September 25, 2008 10:52:16 AM EDT  
   **Subject:** Week 1: Wave Power

   I was excited to find a website that even I could understand! Hal

   ![Message Editor]

Step 7 – If you change the subject of a conversation, it will look exactly the same shown the picture below.

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http://www.alternative-energy-news.info/technology/hydro/wave-power/

* Subject:  

   I recommend Tony's site

   **Message**
Step 8 – Next enter your message in the text editor.

Step 9 – Your message should be placed as the picture shown below.

http://www.alternative-energy-news.info/technology/wave-power/

Subject: I recommend Tony's site

Message:

I would like to recommend this site to everyone. This site really helps me while I am finishing my term paper.
Step 10 – Now Click submit.

Step 11 – You can now see your post in a thread detail page.
Step 12- You can read another student's post in the thread and reply to it.

Step 13 – Click Reply
Step 14- Enter your message in the text editor.

Step 15 Click submit
Step 16 – Your reply appears below the post.

Step 17 – You can also rate another post in your rating section of the thread detail page.