



Media Comments in the Moodle Media Collection Activity

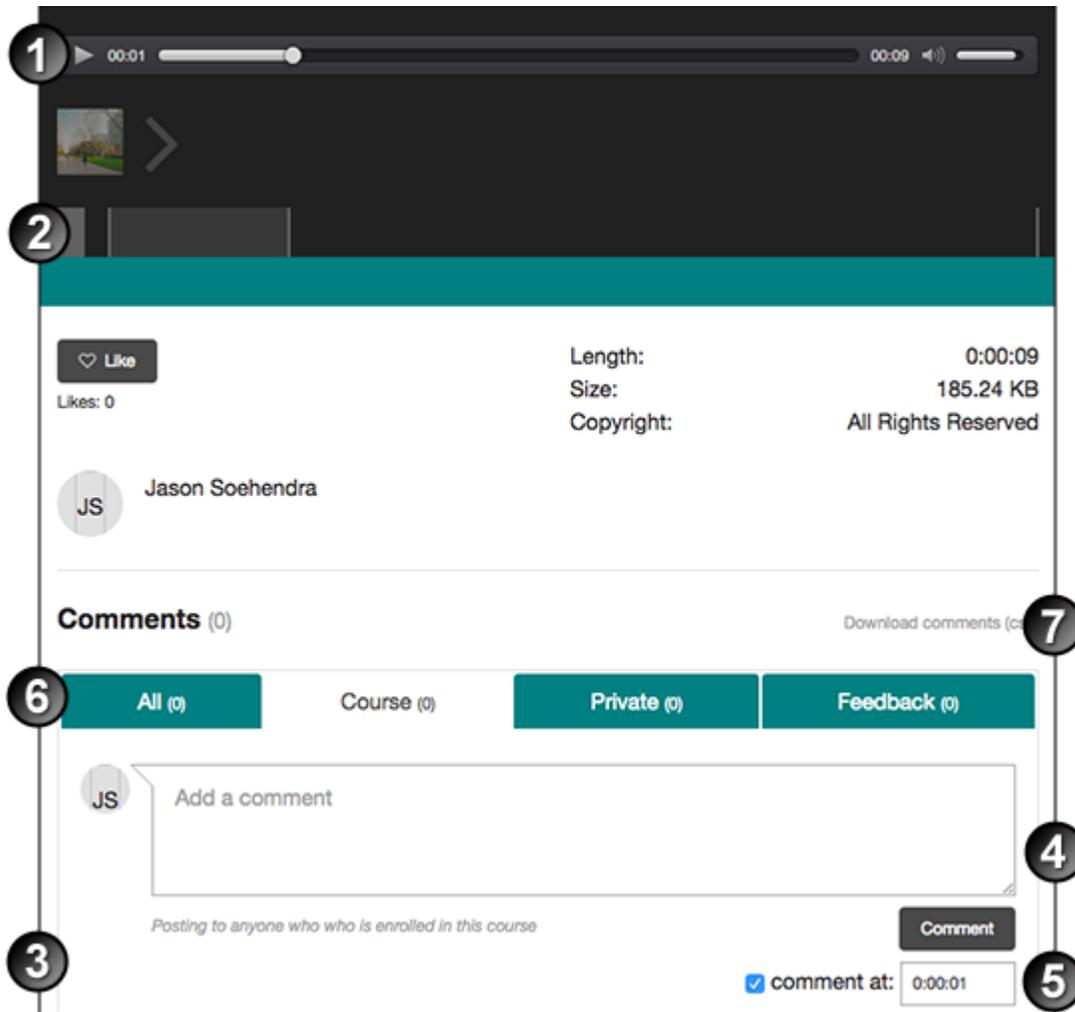
Media Comments allow comments and likes to be added to audio, video and image files in Moodle Media Collections and theBox. With audio and video files, comments can be added to specific points in the media item's timeline.

Different comment types allow you to control who sees your comments. This includes the whole course, just you or a person you send feedback to and you.

Media display interface

The media display interface displays media files, comments and provides a visual summary of general and timeline

comments. Comments can be created, edited, deleted, searched and filtered.



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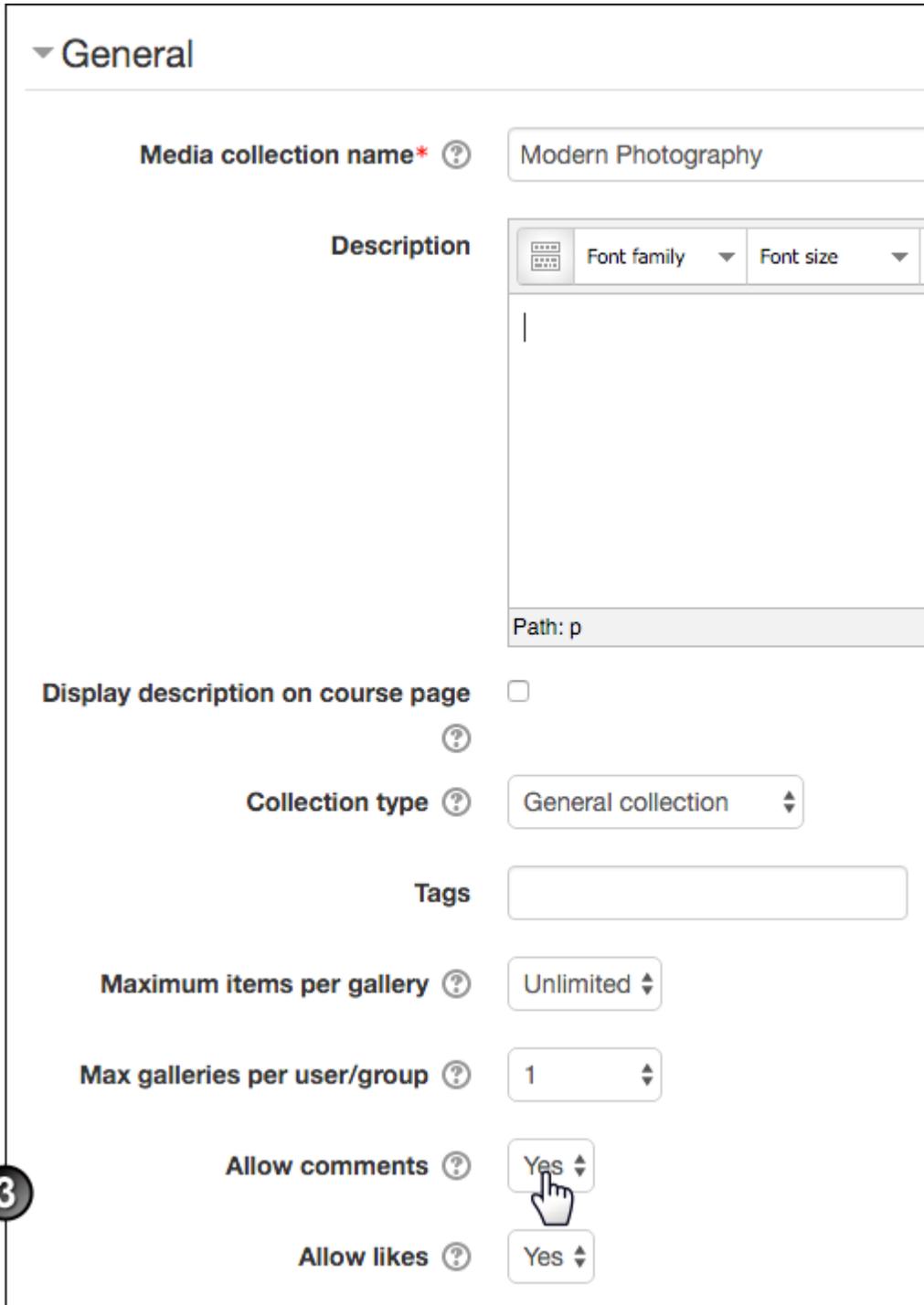
1. Media display section: Media files are displayed here. Audio/video files can be played.
2. Timeline section: A timeline displaying the comments that were made during the media.
3. Comments section: Comments are displayed, edited, and deleted in this section.
4. Comment button: Make a comment in the text box then click on the comment button to submit the comment.
5. Timeline comment: Make a comment at a specific part of the media by clicking the tick box, and setting a time during the audio/video.
6. Comment filter: Select which comment type you want to view.
7. Download comments: This button creates and downloads a .csv file of the comments. Only comments that are currently visible are included in this file.

Controlling comments

Comments and likes are enabled in the Moodle Media Collection activity by default. Instructors can disable comments and/or likes in the activity settings.

Disabling comments

1. Turn editing on **Turn editing on**
2. Click on the edit settings icon ⚙️ next to the Media Collection activity
3. In General settings go to the drop down menu next to **Allow comments** and/or **Allow likes** and change the setting to **No**



▼ General

Media collection name* ⓘ Modern Photography

Description

Font family ▼ Font size ▼

Path: p

Display description on course page ⓘ

Collection type ⓘ General collection ▾

Tags

Maximum items per gallery ⓘ Unlimited ▾

Max galleries per user/group ⓘ 1 ▾

Allow comments ⓘ Yes ▾

Allow likes ⓘ Yes ▾

4. Scroll to the Gallery default settings, select if you would like to enable or disable **Public (World) Comments**

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Gallery defaults

Gallery focus* (?) All files Image Video Audio

Gallery view options* (?) Carousel Grid view

Columns in grid view (?) Automatic ▾

Rows in grid view (?) Automatic ▾

Enforce gallery defaults (?)

Public (World) comments (?)

5. Click **Save and return to course**

General and timeline comments

General Comments

General Comments are attached to each media file and do not refer to a particular part of that file. General Comments can be used in many ways.

Example uses of General Comments include:

- The owner can provide information about their file to other users who view the file
- The owner can provide information or a reflection about their file to an Instructor who is grading their work
- Instructors can provide general feedback about a file to the owner
- Users who view the file can comment about the whole file as part of a class activity
- Users who view the file can make personal comments about the file for their own study or revision purposes

Timeline Comments

Timeline comments are attached to a particular point in an audio or video file. Timeline Comments can be used in many way.

Example uses of Timeline Comments include:

- The owner can provide information about a particular part of their audio or video file to other users who view the file
- The owner can provide information or a reflection relating to a particular part of their audio or video file to an Instructor who is grading their work

- Instructors can provide specific feedback about a particular point on the timeline to the owner
- Users who view the file can comment about the file at a particular point on the timeline as part of a class activity
- Users who view the file can make personal comments about the file at a particular point on the timeline for their own study or revision purposes

Note: General and Timeline Comments can be any one of the comment types. See below.

Comment types

There four types of comments:

1. **Course Comments** - can be seen by all participants in a Moodle course.
2. **Private Feedback** - can only be seen by the owner or owners of the video who is receiving the feedback from the person making the comment. The person making the comment will also be able to see their comment and the owner will be able to reply to them privately.
3. **Personal Comments** - are private to the person making the comment. Personal comments are usually used to make private notes on an important file or highlight an important point in an audio or video file to assist revision.
4. **Public (World) Comments** - are similar to Course Comments but will allow comments to be visible on any web site using embed codes. In Moodle, this type of comment is disabled by default and can only be enabled on General Collections.

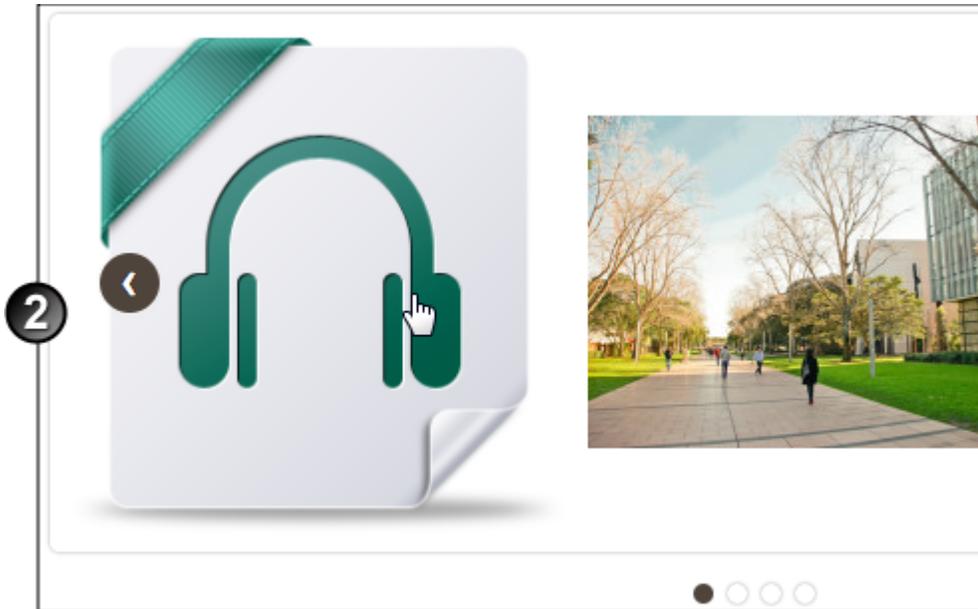
Each type of comment can be made as either a general or a timeline comment if the media item is a video or audio file.

Adding a comment

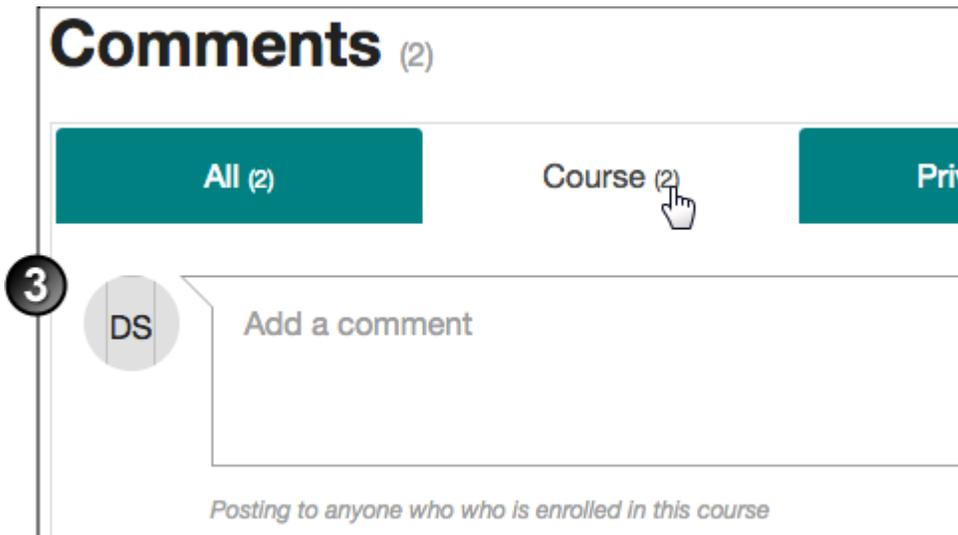
To add a comment:

1. On the course home page, click the media collection's link.
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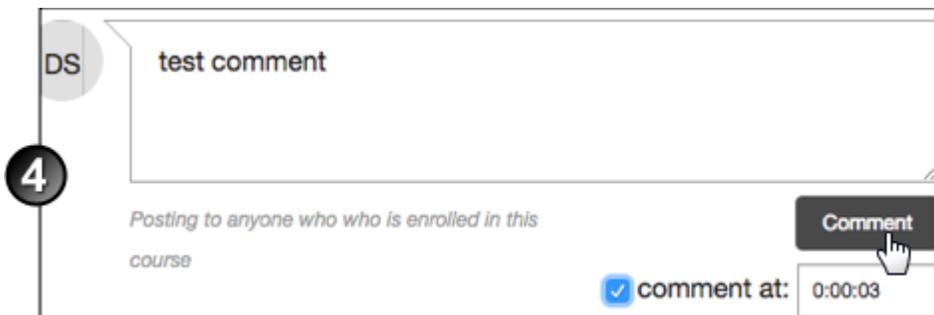
Navigate to the gallery, and click the media item you want to make a comment on.



3. Select which type of comment you want to make by clicking on the comment tab. Course Comments are only visible to people in the course, Personal Comments are only visible to you and Private Feedback is only visible to the owner.



4. Type your comment in the text box and click the **Comment** button to submit the comment.

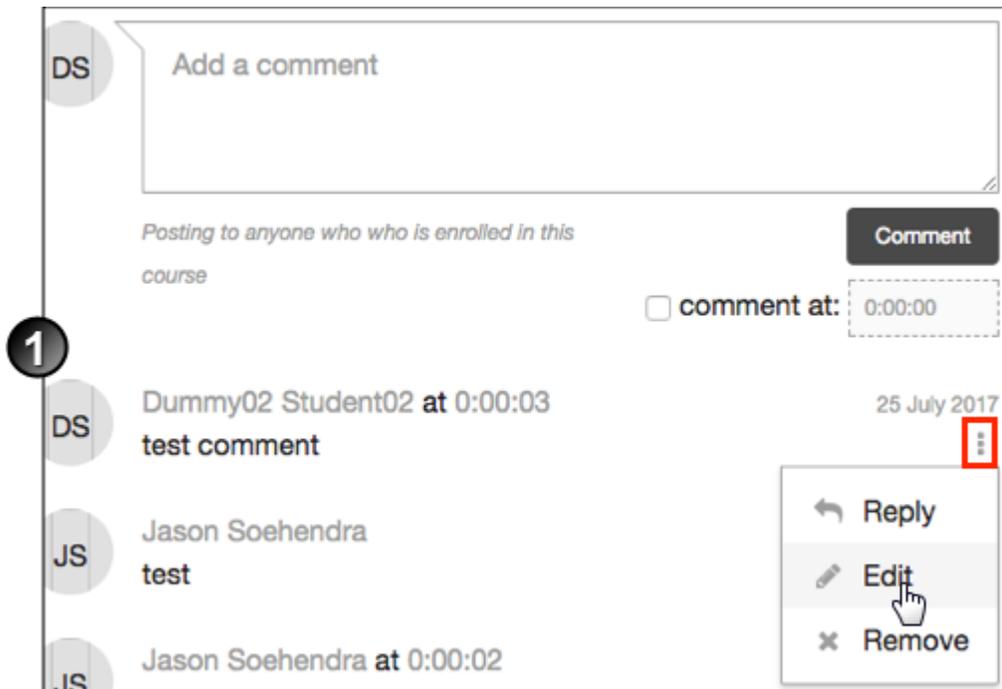


- When viewing an audio or video file, you can also post a **Timeline Comment** by clicking on the tick box below. Timeline Comments will occur at the time that you have stopped the video or audio file. You can also enter the time of the comment in the format: Hours:Minutes:Seconds (HH:MM:SS).

Editing, deleting and replying to comments

Editing a comment

- In the comment window below your media item you can edit a comment by clicking the  button next to the comment and selecting **Edit**.



- Edit your comment and click **Save**.

Note: You can only edit your own comments.

Deleting a comment

- In the comment window below your media item you can delete a comment by clicking the  button next to the comment and selecting **Remove**.

DS Add a comment

Posting to anyone who who is enrolled in this course

comment at: 0:00:00

Comment

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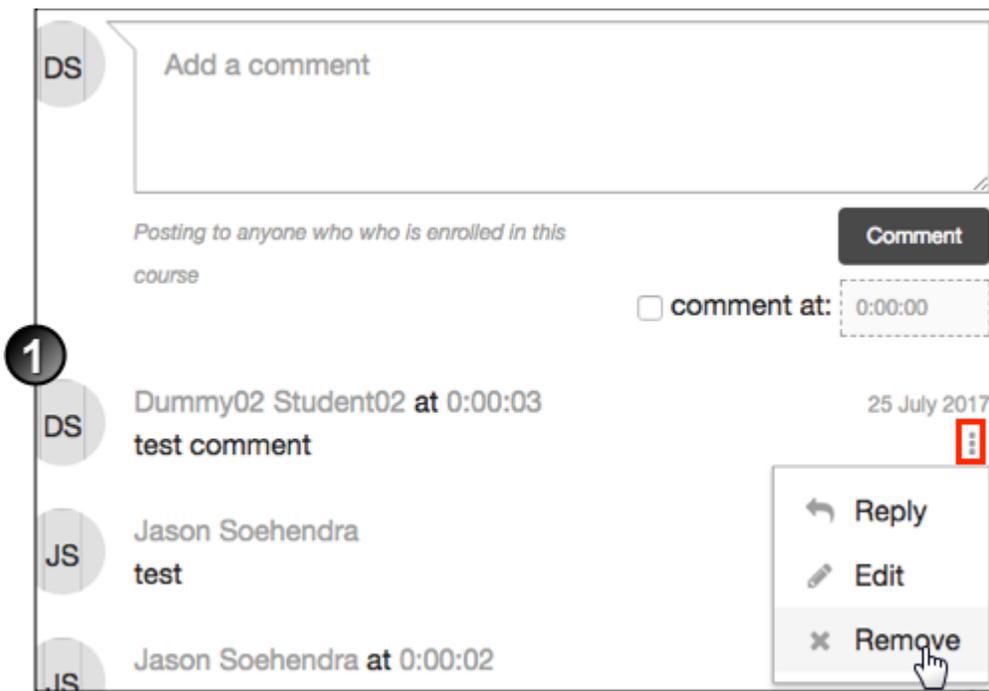
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Reply

Edit

Remove



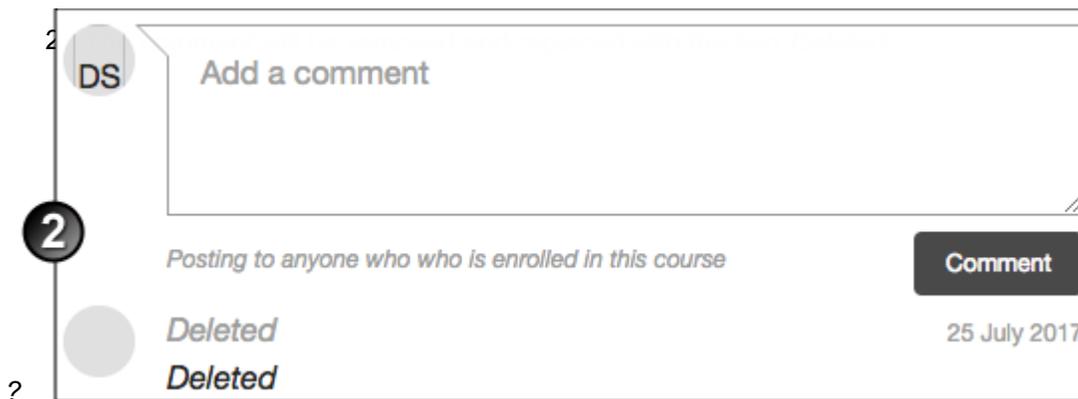
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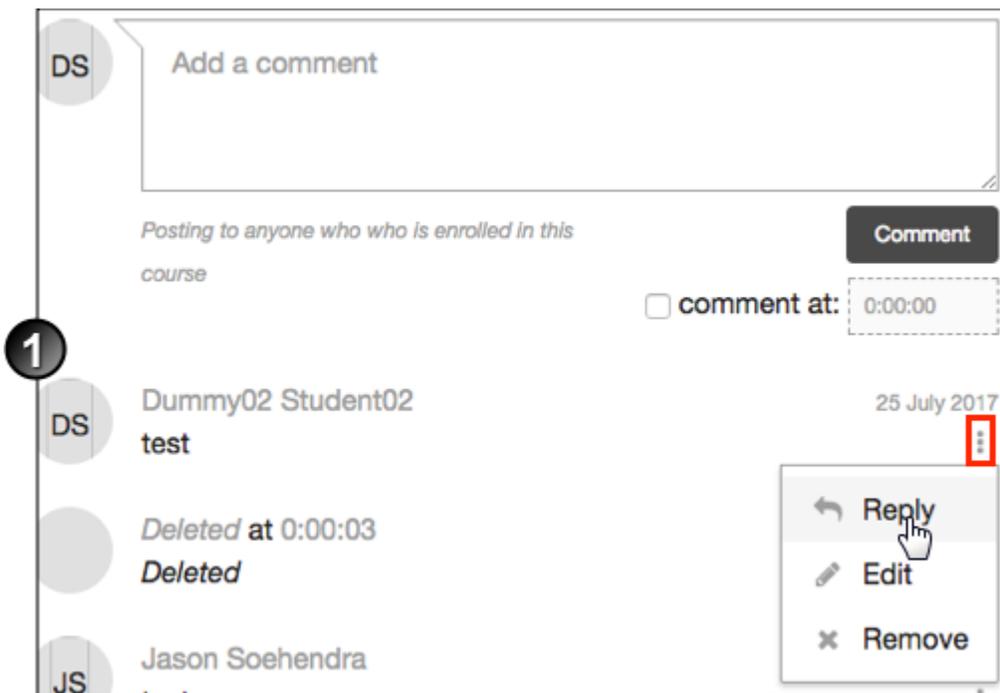
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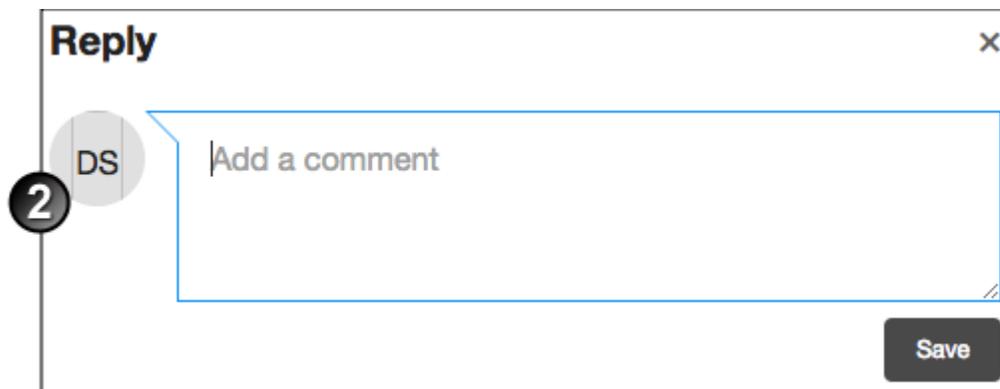
Note: The *Deleted* text will be removed when the page is refreshed.

Replying to a comment

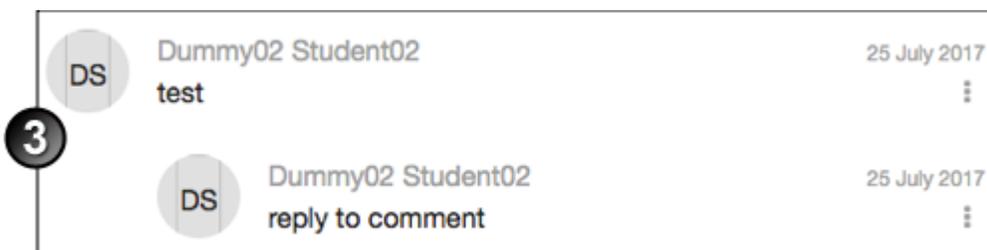
1. In the comment window below your media item you can reply to a comment by clicking the  button next to the comment and selecting **Reply**.



2. Type your reply and the click **Save**.



3. Your reply will appear indented under the original comment



Note: You can only reply with the same type of comment as the original comment e.g. a reply to a General comment will also be a General comment

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