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I-Rubric

Welcome to iRubric

"The most comprehensive [rubric design](#) and [assessment](#) system."



iRubric is a comprehensive rubric development, assessment, and sharing tool. Designed from the ground up, iRubric supports a variety of applications in an easy-to-use package. Best of all, iRubric is **free** to individual faculty and students. iRubric School-Edition empowers schools with an easy-to-use system for monitoring student learning outcomes and aligning with standards.

Click. Click. Done. Scoring rubrics cannot be made any easier. Just pull up a rubric from the gradebook, click, click, and you're done. Rubric scores are automatically adjusted to the coursework grading scale and posted on the gradebook. All you have to do next is to press [save]. Students get a copy of the scored rubric securely... no more paperwork, no more calculations and no more confusion.

Finally, spend more time teaching and less time grading. Only with iRubric.

Product Description:

I-Rubric is a rubric maker which allows the user to build a rubric from scratch, revise an existing rubric, or repurpose an existing rubric for a new assignment. I-Rubric is one component of a larger Education Management System called RCampus which also features course management, website building, e-portfolios, academic communities, tutor connections, and a book exchange. Although the website is free, the user must register with a log-in and password. There are two different types of accounts available, Personal Accounts and Group Accounts. The Personal Accounts can be used by students, educators, or people who fall into the "other" category. The Group Accounts may be used by a club or student organization, or a faculty group or committee. As well as being able to create and revise rubrics, I-Rubric has a rubric gallery that allows users to browse rubrics created by other users and adapt them to their own needs.

Uses

I-Rubric can be used to build rubrics for many types of assignments, age levels, and skill levels. Rubrics are an effective way of evaluating assessments and learning objectives and can be tailor-made for each specific assessment. I-Rubric allows a user to specify criteria for an assessment

and then objectively score the assessment. Rubrics can also make grading by multiple people more objective and fair. These rubrics can be created by any individual or group that wishes to formally designate scoring criteria for a specific and somewhat subjective assessment or learning objective.

Operating Requirements

In order to use I-Rubric, a user must only have an internet connection. Any browser will work.

Evaluation

There are many nice features to I-Rubric. One of the best features is the rubric gallery which allows a user to view many different rubrics by grade level, subject area, or type. This feature may be beneficial for someone who has not created a rubric before and would like to see what others have done. It may also be beneficial for someone with time constraints that can take advantage of the work that has already been done and use a previously designed rubric that fits well with their objectives and assessment. Many of the rubrics would be easy to adapt to one's specific needs. The gallery also allows users to print, email, preview, edit, copy, categorize, or bookmark rubrics. Another nice feature of the gallery is the Test Run feature which allows users to test a rubric or perform an assessment with the rubric. There are also collaborative features which allow users to collaborate on a rubric and discuss rubrics with other members.

Another nice feature of the website is its user friendliness. There are links to frequently asked questions, easy to navigate menu bars, and easy to follow steps throughout the website. The website is very well organized and is aesthetically pleasing. Every time I had a question about something, for example, where I could find a feature or even what a feature does, the answer was very easy to locate.

The only feature that is missing is part of the Build section in the Rubric Studio. When building a rubric, there are no suggested titles for criteria nor are there any suggested criteria. Other rubric builder websites have generic criteria and titles for specific assessment types that a user can choose to add to the rubric. Of course these can be edited to suit individual needs. I-Rubric gives no suggestions for either category. For a user who is unfamiliar with rubric building, these suggestions would be an appreciated addition to the website.