

SacCT

Prevent Printing of Assessments

HOW TO GUIDE

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DELIVERY OF ASSESSMENTS

Quizzes and exams are a common form of student assessment in a course and can be delivered in a physical classroom or in an online course. In both contexts there are ways instructors can prevent students from cheating on quizzes and exams. Since it is more difficult to control variables online, there are specific ways to set your exam to minimize cheating.

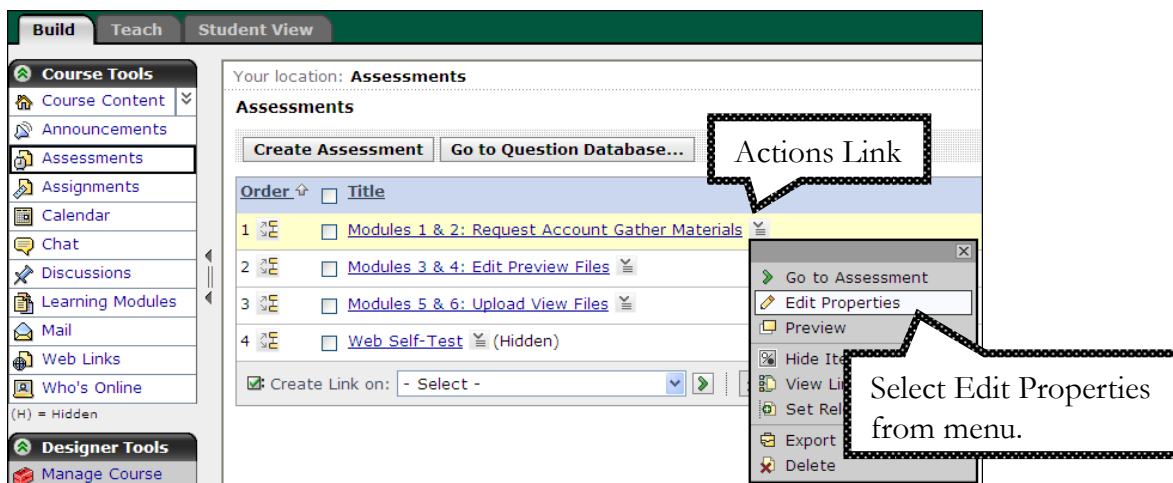
The following are instructions on how to set up your SacCT assessment settings (quizzes or exams) with javascript code, to prevent students from printing or selecting assessment questions or the entire assessment.

SETTING UP THE ASSESSMENT

Locate Your Assessment

Begin by locating the Assessment(s) you will be setting up:

- step 1.* From the **Build Tab** select **Assessments** under the **Course Tools** menu.
- step 2.* Locate the name of the Assessment you want to set up from the list.
- step 3.* Click the **Actions Link Icon** of the Assessment. From the drop-down menu that appears, select **Edit Properties**.



step 4. The **Edit Properties** page of the assessment will appear.

Edit Assessment Properties

*Title:

Description:

Item Visibility: Show Item
 Hide Item

*Grade Book column name

The Grade Book column name appears in Grade Book as a column header for this assessment.

Question delivery

Deliver questions all at once.
 Deliver questions one at a time and allow questions to be revisited.
 Deliver questions one at a time and do not allow questions to be revisited.
 Display question titles.

Setting Up the Custom Instructions

Add the java script code in the Custom Instructions section:

step 5. Locate the **Custom Instructions** section from the **Edit Properties** page.

step 6. In the text box paste in the Javascript code

step 7. Ensure that the **Use HTML** checkbox is selected.

step 8. Click Save.

Custom Instructions

Custom instructions will appear at the top of the assessment and be visible to all users.

```
<style media="print">body {display:none;}</style>
<script language="JavaScript" type="text/javascript">
<!--
function loadjsfile(){
var fileref=document.createElement('script');
fileref.setAttribute("type","text/javascript");
```

Use HTML

Display custom assessment instructions on every question when questions are delivered one at a time.

Paste java script code in this text box.

Check this option if questions are delivered one at a time.

If your Assessment **Question Delivery** is set to deliver questions one at a time and allow questions to be revisited, you will have to place a check mark in the Custom Instructions section at the following option:

Display custom assessment instructions on every question when questions are delivered one at a time.

This will ensure that each question has the javascript code, and individual questions cannot be printed or selected.



TIP : The text included in the Custom Instructions textbox cannot exceed 1,333 characters (spaces included). If you have existing text in your custom instructions textbox, you may need to remove or edit it to make room for the javascript.

The Javascript Code

Below is the Javascript Code you will be pasting into the Custom Instructions textbox of your assessment:

```
<style media="print">body {display:none;}</style>

<script language="JavaScript" type="text/javascript">
<!--
function loadjsfile() {
  var fileref=document.createElement('script');
  fileref.setAttribute("type","text/javascript");

  fileref.setAttribute("src","http://www.csus.edu/webct/faculty/javascript_no_print_rightclick-100608.js" );

  if (typeof fileref!="undefined")
  document.getElementsByTagName("head")[0].appendChild(fileref)
}

loadjsfile();
//-->
</script>
```

CONCLUSION

Using the Javascript code in the Custom Instructions in your Assessment settings will disable the right click option and print options for the user. This is one way you can help minimize cheating when delivering an online exam or quiz. For more tips on minimizing cheating, please refer to [Online Exams: Strategies to Minimize Cheating](http://www.csus.edu/webct/faculty/docs.stm) (<http://www.csus.edu/webct/faculty/docs.stm>).