

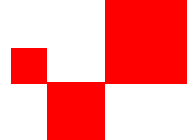
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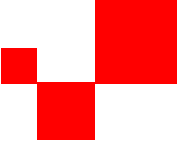
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Agenda

- What is Digital Accessibility?
- Common Accessibility Issues in Canvas
- Canvas Accessibility Checker
- DEMO



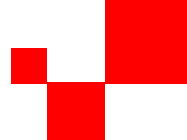
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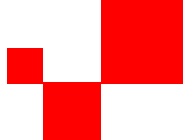
What is Digital Accessibility?

Digital accessibility means making a Canvas course and other online content accessible to everyone, regardless of their needs and abilities or the device they are using.

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Common Accessibility Issues in Canvas



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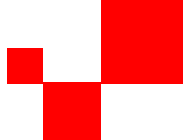
Text Formatting

- Using bold/enlarged text instead of proper headings
- Inconsistent fonts or font sizes
- Poor choice of colors and contrast
- Using only color to convey meaning

Common Accessibility Issues in Canvas Cont.

Hyperlinks

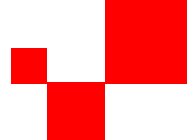
- Pasting URLs directly instead of meaningful text
- Using vague link text like “click here” or “link”
- Broken or expired links



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Images and Alternative Text

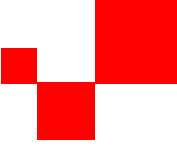
- Missing or vague alt text
- Decorative images not marked appropriately



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Tables

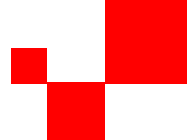
- No header rows
- Complex structures that confuse screen readers
- Tables used purely for layout



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Media

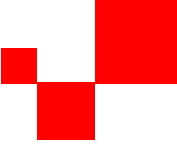
- No captions for videos
- No transcripts for audio



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Navigation and Course Structure

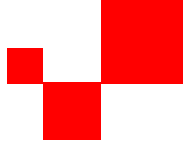
- Disorganized navigation
- Important content hidden in the Files tab



Six Essential Steps of Digital Accessibility

SIX Essential Steps





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Common Issues

- List Formatting
- Text Contrast

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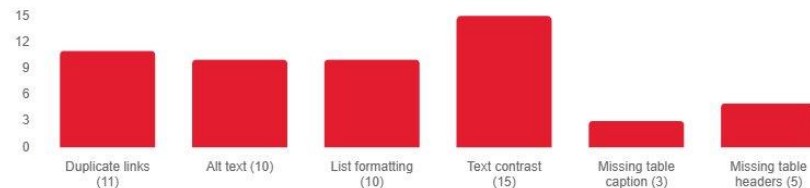
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Common Issues Cont.

- Missing table headers
- Table headers set up incorrectly
- Missing table caption

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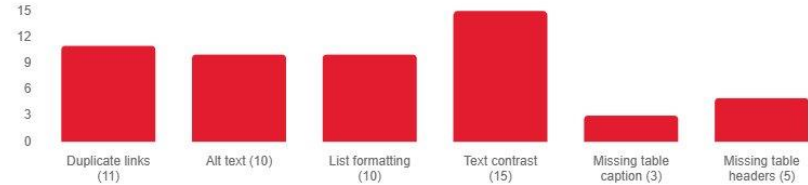
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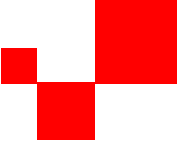
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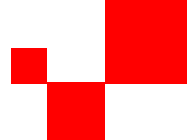


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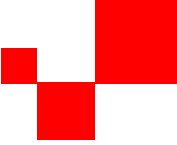
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Digital Accessibility at Illinois Tech

For more information please visit:

<https://www.iit.edu/cli/digital-accessibility>



Thank you!

Q&A