

Binder by Lessoncast FAQs

The Binder by Lessoncast helps teacher education course instructors enhance their courses and provide candidates with tools to support video analysis, facilitate reflective practices and encourage teacher metacognition. Binder enhances field experiences, enables greater communication and coordination with K12 partners, and assist programs with internal evaluation of their own teacher education processes.

What is a lessoncast?

A lessoncast is a multimedia PD artifact - created by teachers for teachers - showing the complete picture of what effective teaching looks like before, during and after engaging students.

What is the purpose of a lessoncast?

Creating a lessoncast is an effective assignment for teaching candidates to illustrate their thinking process for professors to ensure they are adequately prepared. Creating a lessoncast is a key element of scaffolded and differentiated professional development for experienced educators that can unpack and deconstruct highly effective best practices in a manner that makes those practices explicit for new teachers.

How is creating a pd artifact in Lessoncast Binder different from making a regular video, document, or PowerPoint presentation?

A lessoncast artifact is more than just a video clip of classroom instruction. A lessoncast provides the “behind the scenes” thinking or teacher metacognition that makes instruction effective. It includes teacher narration, video clips, downloadable resources, and metatags all in one easy to access digital artifact. Lessoncast *Binder* is the web application that makes it easy to create this multimedia PD artifact. The app walks educators through the creation and publishing process. The final product - the lessoncast PD artifact - is easy to share and can always be updated even after publishing.

How private is the content?

The Binder application can be purchased and configured at the state, district, school or individual level allowing community leaders visibility and several layers of security governing how lessoncast can be shared. Any individual has perpetual access to the lessoncast they create or collaborate on with others as co-authors. Coaches can view lessoncast and send private feedback and communication to authors. Once published, a lessoncast can be made visible to any member of that Lessoncast community as specified by the community owner. Individuals may join a Lessoncast sponsored community focused on specific teaching practices. Community leaders can create assignments and rubrics and customized standards and tags. Lastly, administrators have access to published and draft content and can run reports detailing participation and professional growth tied to teacher created artifacts and student achievement data.

How long will I have access to the content I create in Lessoncast Binder?

While you need an active license to create and revise content, after you publish, your lessoncast will remain accessible via its URL even without maintaining an active license. The renewable subscriptions to the binder app allow users to create or edit content, interact with coaches, access new assignments or be included in signature assignments or data analysis useful for program assessment and accreditation.

How much does it cost?

See our pricing page.

How can I share the content I create in Lessoncast Binder with other educators?

As the author, you may share the content you publish via URL (link), email, embed code to play your lessoncast artifact on another web page, or social media outlets.

Share Artifact

Share **Foldables supporting English Language Learners** using the link below.

<https://udlstories.lessoncast.com/artifact/foldables-supporting-english-language-learners>



Or share using one of the buttons below.

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What kind of technical support is available?

The Tech Support Team is readily available for online support by using a Chat icon throughout the web application.



Questions or thoughts? Let us kn...

Write a message for our Lessoncast support team.

Is there a handy brochure that I can send to one of my colleagues or administrators?

Sure, you may download a brochure here

(<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BwldfukKSiplckpxUXk0Vi1tNmc/view?usp=sharing>). Our team is also available to provide live demos.