

Use Layouts In Creator+

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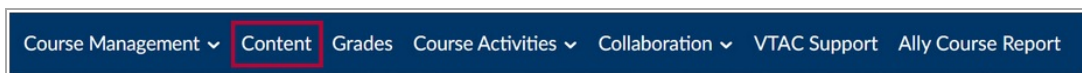
D2L Creator+ Layouts allow instructors to organize content within an HTML page into panels. Making it easy to arrange text, media, and even Creator+ Elements in your course content pages for a more dynamic look. After selecting a layout. Instructors can add content to a panel by typing, pasting, or using the HTML editor tool bar to embed the desired content.

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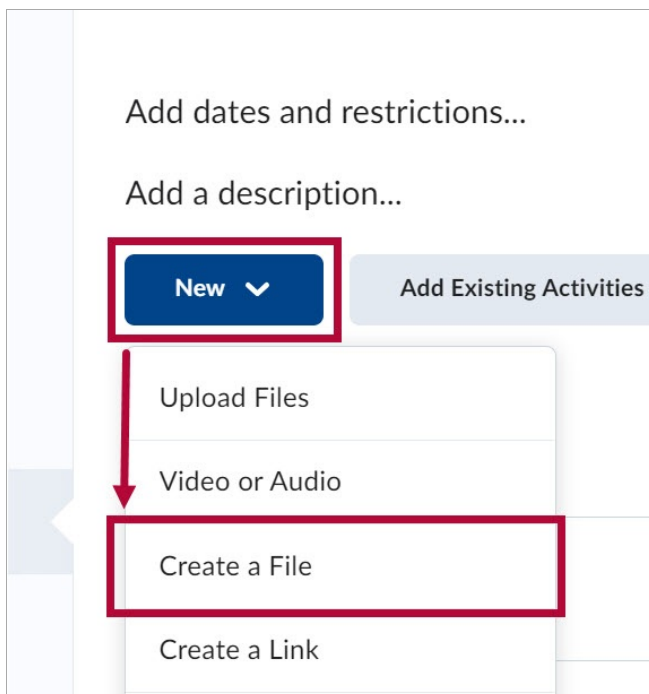
NOTE: Insert Practice questions cannot be inserted into a layout panel.

Adding a Layout

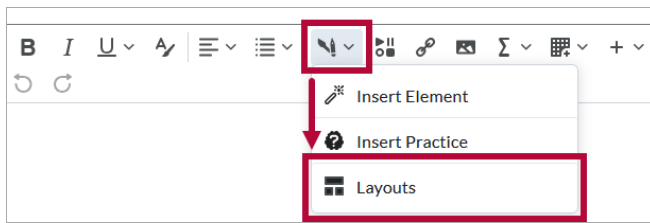
1. From the **Navbar**, select **[Content]**.



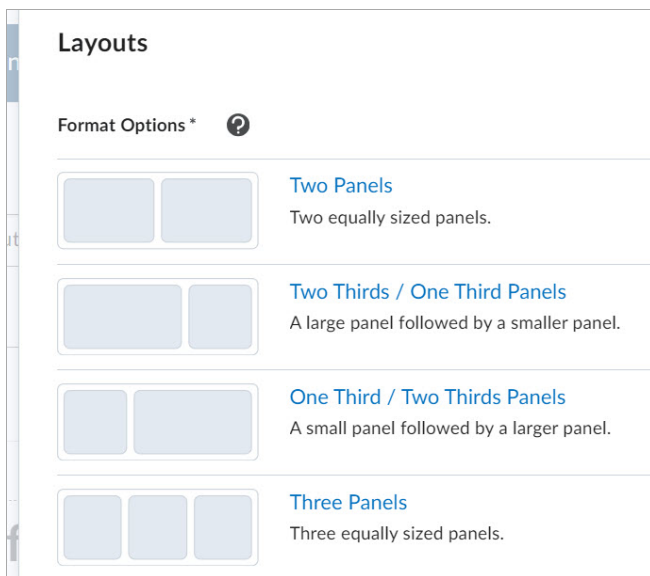
2. From any content module, click **[New]** and select **[Create a File]**.



3. From the **WYSIWYG/HTML Editor toolbar**, select the **[Paintbrush & Pencil icon]** (Creator+ Authoring Tools) followed by **[Layouts]**.



4. Select the desired layout you want from the **Layouts** menu.



There are four layouts to choose from. Details about each layout can be found below.

More Information

For more information on Creator+ features, [watch a deep-dive webinar.](https://vimeo.com/995547369) (<https://vimeo.com/995547369>)

Layout Types

Two Panels

Two Panels will create two equally sized panels side by side as demonstrated in the example below.

The Transformation of Cultivating Coffee



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Select each item to learn more.



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Select each item to learn more about why people love coffee.

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	Culture	▶
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One Third/ Two Thirds Panels

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How to Make It

Select each item to learn more.

Measure your coffee

A good starting point is a ratio of 2 tablespoons of ground coffee to 6 ounces of water. You can adjust this a bit stronger or weaker to your taste.

Grind your coffee

Prepare your water


Brew!

Enjoy!

Open All Panels

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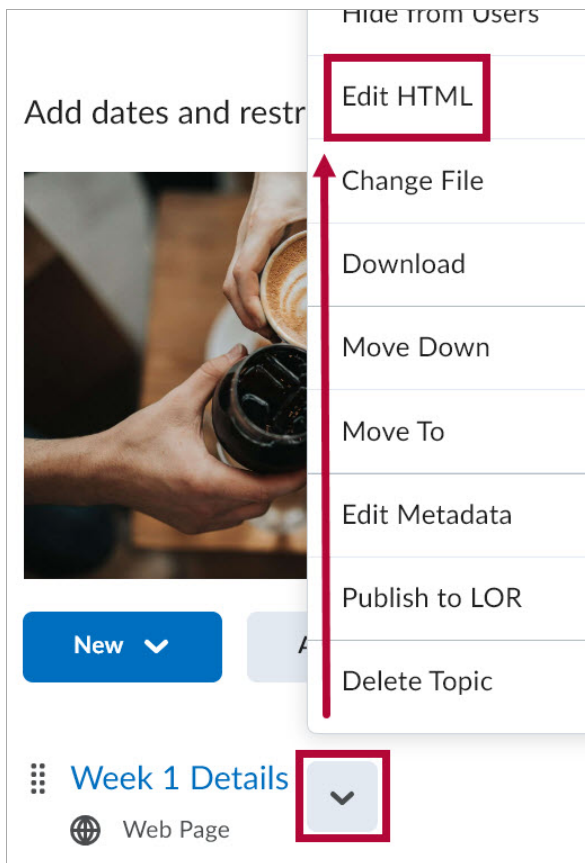
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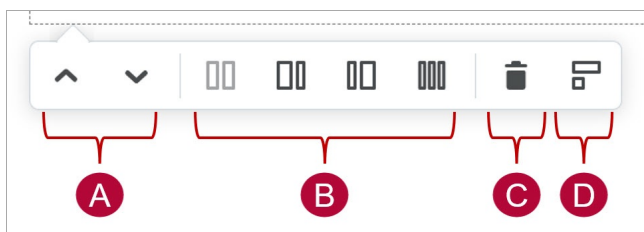
Additional Details

To move, convert, remove, or delete a previously created layout from an existing course file. You must open the HTML course file containing the layout in **Edit** mode.

1. Locate the HTML course file from the **Content** area of your course and select **[Edit HTML]** from the context menu.



2. With the file opened in **Edit** view, click anywhere inside the layout panels to generate the small option bar shown below



- A. Moves the layout template above or below other content in the course file.
- B. Converts the current layout to a different layout type.
- C. Deletes the entire layout including the content inside it.
- D. Removes the applied layout but allows you to keep the content inside it.