# Import questions to LAMS Question Bank using MS Word Documents

Use Microsoft Word to import questions with images, tables and proper formatting into the LAMS Question Bank (QB).

Questions imported from Microsoft Word can also contain metadata such **Learning Outcomes**, **Feedback** and other additional information.

Currently (as of LAMS v4), the question types allowed are **Multiple Choice Questions** (MCQ), **Very Sort Answers** (VSA), **Essay questions**, **Mark Hedging MCQs**.

In the near future, other questions types might be included.

## Question structure

The structure of the question is very simple.

All questions start with the label “**Question:**”.

Each question can contain the following attributes

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| Attribute | Description | Required |
| Question Title | This is the question title.  Titles are important to identify and manage questions.  All question in the LAMS QB must contain a title.  However, when using Word, it’s not required to explicitly add a question title as if no question is provided, the **first 80 characters** of the question text will be used as question title. | No |
| Question Text | The body of the question. This portion can include formatting, indenting, tables and images. | Yes |
| Possible answers  (MCQ and VSAs only) | ***In the case of MCQs***, these are the list of options that the students can pick. The possible answer must include a letter to specify order. Ie:  **a) Answer 1**  **b) Answer 2**  **c) Answer 3**  *Note that possible answers can include formatting.*  ***In the case of VSAs***, list the correct and incorrect answers as follow:  **Correct: correct option 1, correct option 2, correct option 3**  **Incorrect: incorrect option 1, incorrect option 2**  There is no limit in the number of correct and/or incorrect responses for VSAs as long as they are separated with a comma (see example below). No formatting required for these options. | Yes  (only for MCQs and VSAs) |
| Correct answers  (MCQ and mark hedging only) | To specify which answer(s) is correct, include the letter that precedes the right answer(s).  Ie:  **Answer: c**  In case a question can have more than one correct answer:  **Answer: a,b** | Yes (only for MCQs and mark hedging) |
| Mark | To specify mark for the question, for example 5 points, add the following line:  **Mark: 5**  Must be an integer from 1 to 100.  *If this line is missing, mark of 1 point will be used.* | No |
| Is mark hedging? | Mark hedging is a type of MCQ that instead of a traditional MCQ where students get to select only one option, they can split a set of points/marks across all different answers for a question.  To specify that the question is mark hedging and not MCQ, add the following line:  **MarkHedging: true** | No |
| Feedback | After students answer the question general feedback can be displayed. You can add this feedback text as follows:  **Feedback:** Text for feedback after question  *Note that feedback can include multiple lines, tables, indenting and images.* | No |
| Learning Outcomes | You can map a question to a specific learning outcome or outcomes. To include learning outcomes to your question, include the following:  **LO: Name of learning outcome 1**  **LO: Name of learning outcome 2** | No |

## Question limitations

There are no maximum number of questions to import. Following the structure as described above, you are able to import a large set of questions (either MCQ, Essay, VSAs or Mark hedging question types).

# Example MCQ question

**Question**: Luke’s father

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| A picture containing person, toy, holding, small  Description automatically generated | Which movie is the one where **Luke Skywalker** finds out **Darth Vader** is his father? |

1. The ***Empire Strikes Back***
2. Phantom Menace
3. A **New** Hope
4. Attack of the **Clones**

**Answer**: a

**Feedback**: Darth Vader informs Luke while fighting with lightsabres in the movie ***“The Empire Strikes Back”***

**LO**: General Star Wars knowledge

**LO**: Capacity to comprehend complicated family relationships

# Example Essay question

**Question**: May The Force be with you

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**In your own words**, explain the meaning of ***The Force***. Also make a reference as to when you have sensed a disturbance in the Force.

**Feedback**: The Force is a mysterious energy field created by life that binds the galaxy together. Harnessing the power of the Force gives the Jedi, the Sith, and others sensitive to this spiritual energy extraordinary abilities, such as levitating objects, tricking minds, and seeing things before they happen.

**LO**: Understanding The Force

**LO**: Sensing The Force

# Example VSA question

**Question**: Darth Vader as a child

A picture containing background pattern

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What was **Darth Vader**’s name when he was a child in the Tatooine planet?

Correct: Anakin, Ani, Anakin Skywalker, Skywalker, The Chosen One

Incorrect: Darth Vader Junior, Luke, kid, Young Darth Vader

**Feedback**: Anakin Skywalker was a slave on Tatooine, owned by junk dealer Watto.

**LO**: History of the Jedi Order

# Example MCQ Mark hedging

**Question**: What is the name of Han Solo’s ship?

A picture containing text

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What is the name of Han Solo’s ship?

1. Red Five
2. Death Star
3. Millennium Falcon
4. Naboo Royal Cruiser

Answer: C

Mark: 10

MarkHedging: true

**Feedback**: The Millennium Falcon "made the Kessel Run in less than twelve parsecs".

**LO**: Star Wars Spacecrafts