

# Turnitin

Introduction to the plagiarism tool

# What is Turnitin?

The Turnitin is a plagiarism detection service that is integrated with Canvas. It allows instructors and students to view an Originality Report of written work or other homework assignments. The system is designed to facilitate feedback between instructors and students on written work.



# What are the different integration types?

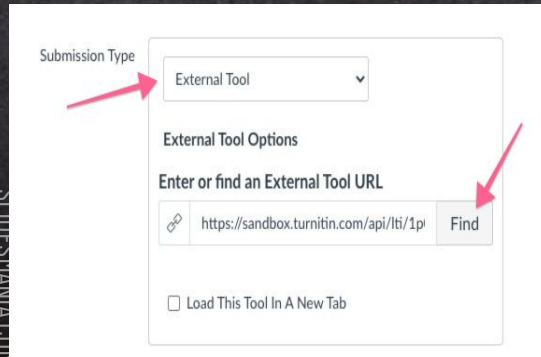
There are currently 3 different integration types for Turnitin.

1. LTI integration
2. Turnitin API
3. Turnitin Plugin

# How do I know what type they are using?

## LTI Integration

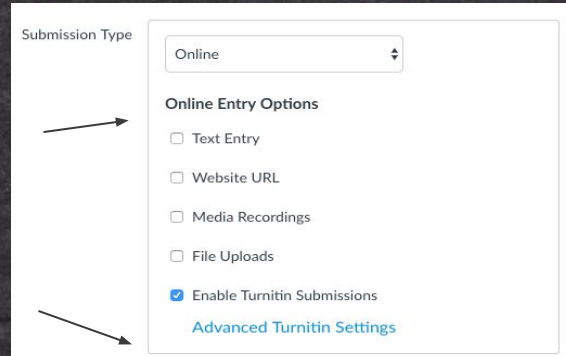
The LTI Integration will show when the assignment is set to "external tool" and there is a Turnitin URL listed.



A screenshot of the LTI Integration settings form. The "Submission Type" dropdown is set to "External Tool", indicated by a red arrow. Below it, the "External Tool Options" section contains a field "Enter or find an External Tool URL" with a key icon, the URL "https://sandbox.turnitin.com/api/lti/1p", and a "Find" button, also indicated by a red arrow. At the bottom, there is a checkbox labeled "Load This Tool In A New Tab".

## Turnitin API

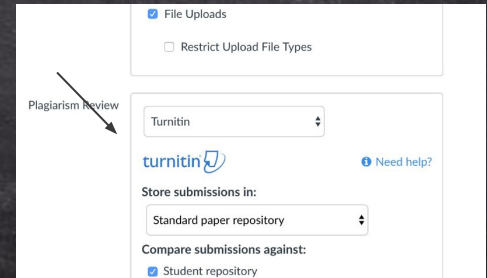
This will show when you edit the assignment and it's set to "Online". It will also have the check box selected for "Enable Turnitin Submissions"



A screenshot of the Turnitin API settings form. The "Submission Type" dropdown is set to "Online", indicated by an arrow. Below it, the "Online Entry Options" section contains several checkboxes: "Text Entry", "Website URL", "Media Recordings", "File Uploads", and "Enable Turnitin Submissions". The "Enable Turnitin Submissions" checkbox is checked, indicated by an arrow. At the bottom, there is a link for "Advanced Turnitin Settings".

## Turnitin Plugin

Also known as the Plagiarism Review Framework This will show under the assignment edit page where the submission type is "Online" with file upload enabled. You will see a section titled "Plagiarism Review" below this.



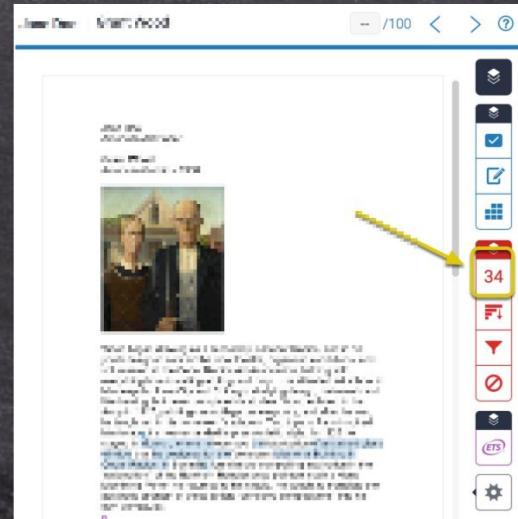
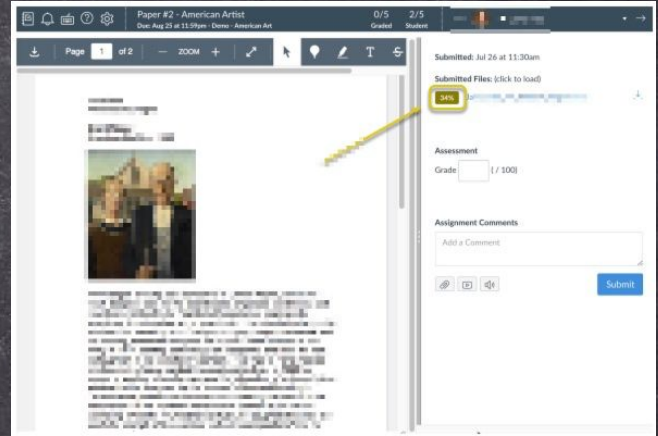
A screenshot of the Turnitin Plugin settings form. The "Plagiarism Review" section is visible, indicated by an arrow. It contains a "File Uploads" checkbox which is checked, and a "Restrict Upload File Types" checkbox which is unchecked. Below this, there is a "Turnitin" dropdown menu, a "Need help?" link, and a "Store submissions in:" section with a "Standard paper repository" dropdown. At the bottom, there is a "Compare submissions against:" section with a "Student repository" checkbox which is checked.



# How do I view the plagiarism score?

Teachers can view the plagiarism score for a student's submission by going into Speedgrader and clicking on the number with a percentage. Students may also do this in their own gradebook when clicking on the assignment.

After clicking on the percentage score, they will be taken to the Turnitin feedback studio where they can see more information about their plagiarism score, including the websites their work was plagiarized from and Instructor feedback.



# Additional Notes

- It is not possible to use the Turnitin LTI (or any other external tool submission) with a Canvas group assignment; the option to assign to a group disappears as soon as "External Tool" is selected as the submission type
- Turnitin assignments will only accept one file per assignment. Resubmissions are allowed if the teacher allows it but it keeps the most recent submission
- Grades entered in Turnitin automatically get posted to the Canvas gradebook. However, this is a one way link. Grades posted in Canvas do not show up in Turnitin.
- Turnitin guides have moved to Turnitin's website. You can find them [here](#).



# Common Issues/How to help

- Plagiarism score still processing
- Availability dates
- How do I add a rubric?

# Activity

Go to this [course](#) and make a TII assignment. After you are finished, send us a link to the assignment.



# Conclusion

- There are 3 different types of Turnitin integrations (LTI, API, Plugin). You must know how to identify them in order to troubleshoot them fully.
- Rubrics must be added before connecting with Turnitin. If there are no student submissions you can still add rubric to the assignment.
- If someone has already reached out to Turnitin and has a case number we can send it up to our next level of support and they can work with Turnitin further on what is happening.

# Questions?

