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Using Kannu as a workspace for sharing digital stories and peer review

Kannu is a new online platform developed by a company called Kadenze. It is well suited to the Critical Connections II project. The system is user-friendly and requires minimal training.

You need to familiarise yourself with three '**courses**':

1. **School course area – SCA**
2. **Inter-school global network area – ISGNA**
3. **Teacher resource area – TRA**

1. School course area (SCA)

This is a private area for your school. Each school has its own separate area. Drafts of films can be posted to the 'connect forum' of the school course area and comments and suggestions for improvement can be made by peers and teachers. Resources and help guides for students can also be put here. The lead teacher will be able to make decisions about the area content and structure. The school course area is also where students should go to complete and post their reflective journal entries at the end of each term (see separate guide sheet on the reflective journal).

2. Inter-school global network area (ISGNA)

The inter-school global network area is accessible by all project school students and teachers. It is intended for sharing and discussion of digital stories across schools. Once students have submitted a final draft of their digital story this will be posted onto the 'connect forum' of the inter-school global network area. The film can then be viewed and commented on by other schools in the project. Helpful resources can also be posted here.

3. Teacher resource area (TRA)

The teacher resource area is for all teachers in the project. It enables 'connect' discussions between teachers and sharing of ideas and resources. This course is for useful resources related to:
- Using the Kannu platform
- Using digital storytelling software
- Filming techniques (Elstree University Technical College)
- Drama strategies
- References on digital storytelling
- Lesson plans

Login

You will receive an email invite to join the school course area on create.gold.ac.uk. When you click on this invite it will create your account and you will be prompted to create a password. This will set you up as a teacher on your school course area. You will also receive email invites to the inter-school global network and teacher resource area.

Creating student logins

With your teacher login you will be able to set up your students in the school course area and inter-school global network area. This can be done individually or in bulk with a CSV file (an example is downloadable). In the school course area click on 'Students' icon on left of screen and then click on 'Invite Student' (you will need to do the same in the inter-school global network area).

Figure 1: Invite Student vid1/vid2

Connect area

All sites have a connect forum area where students and teachers can comment on digital stories, images, resources, links and create discussion threads.

Creating a post

1) Go to the home page 'dashboard'
2) Click on 'Connect' tab on left side of screen
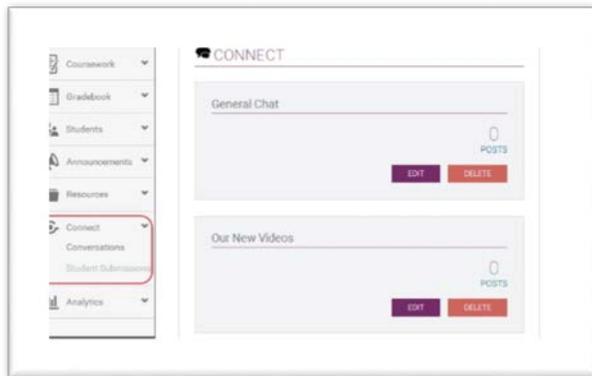
3) Go to Conversations
4) Select the forum to post to
5) Select 'Add new'
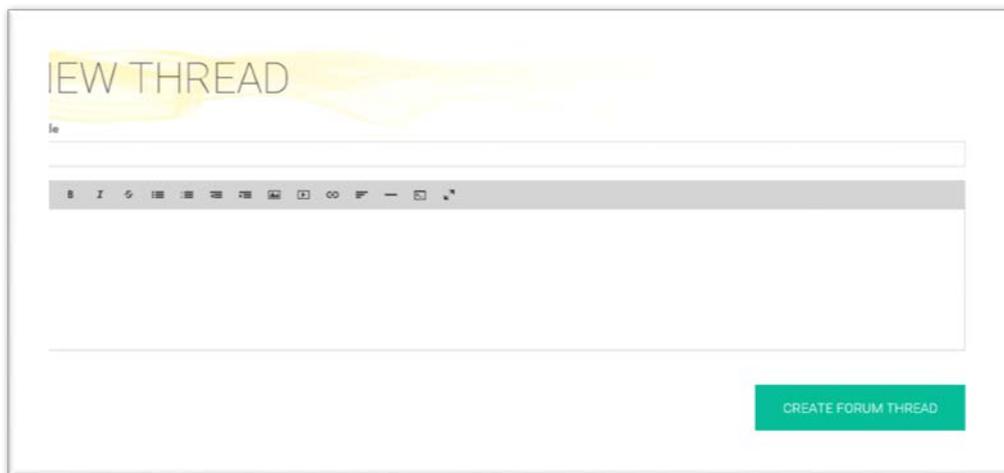
6) Add title and description of post
7) When posting a film paste in the Vimeo address that you will be sent and Kannu will embed the film
8) Click on 'create new thread'

Step by step guide to process of **sharing digital stories**

1. • Teacher/students upload film(s) to One drive and create shared link to submit to WordPress site: https://goldmdst.wordpress.com/submitting-data/

2. • Project team posts film on Kannu school course area with title and description. Teacher sends announcement to students to comment in the connect forum of the school course area

3. • Project team posts film to inter-school global network

4. • Final draft submitted to project WordPress site.

5. • Project team posts film to inter-school global network

6. • Project team sends announcement sent to all students to comment in the connect forum of inter-school global network

7. • 3 Film posted to Kannu peer review area3 films selected from each school to upload to showcase on project WordPress site

8. • 1 film from each project school selected to be shown at Film Festival at BFI