

Guidelines for creation or contribution for different types of content

On selecting an 'open project' for contribution, you will be able to see different categories of content against which contributions can be made. The categories of content may include explanation content, question banks, lesson plans etc. Certain categories of content may also have sub-categories within it. For example, under explanation content, there are three categories of content for which contributions can be made- Explanation videos, Teaching videos and Reading Material.

DIKSHA enables mainly 3 formats of content for any category of content:

1. Videos (MP4) format.
2. PDFs
3. Inbuilt editor to create Questions for Practice sets, Assessments, etc.

DIKSHA data suggests that the content that is relevant, precise, clear and practical works best for users and shows maximum consumption.

Following are guidelines pertaining to each content type along with some samples for reference:

Guidelines for Explanation Videos

- Content should convey a simple explanation of the topic/concept, which can be consumed by the teacher or the student to learn the topic/concept easily. Short (3-5 mins) videos have shown more usage on DIKSHA than the longer ones.
- As you start contributing content, you can refer to some sample content:
 - [Sample - Science](#)
 - [Sample - Mathematics](#)
 - [Sample - Language](#)

NOTE: Ensure that the size of your video is under **50 MB** and is in **.mp4 format**

Guidelines for Teaching Videos

Teaching videos can be recordings of lectures or recording of a teacher explaining a concept using a blackboard/whiteboard in a manner similar to how he/she would explain in a classroom.

While creating or uploading this type of content, you can refer to some sample content:

- [Sample - Math](#)
- [Sample - Science](#)
- [Sample - Language](#)
- [Sample - Social](#)

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Guidelines for Reading Material

- Reading material could be any document or presentation that can help a student learn a concept or a topic in a simple and engaging way.

While creating or uploading this type of content, you can refer to some sample content:

- [Sample - Science](#)
- [Sample - Maths](#)
- [Sample - Language](#)

NOTE : Ensure that the documents or presentations are converted into **PDF format** before uploading.

Guidelines for Questions

A question bank comprises of multiple questions for students to practice and master concepts/topics/chapters. The following types of question-answers can be contributed on the platform:

- **MCQ:** Multiple Choice Questions that will support 4 answer options out of which only one can be the correct answer. Typically 1 mark questions
- **VSA:** Very Short Answer questions answered in a maximum of few words or a sentence. Typically 1 mark questions
- **SA:** Short Answer questions answered in 2-5 sentences. Typically 2-3 marks questions
- **LA:** Long Answer questions answered in more than 5 sentences. Typically 4 + marks questions
- **HOTQ:** Higher order thinking questions where the answers are open ended, and the questions lead the student to connect concepts to real life contexts to discuss and explore them in the answer.

A contributor can choose to upload a single type or multiple type of questions-answers. As you start contributing questions and answers, you can refer to some sample Q-As:

- [Sample - MCQ - Science](#)
- [Sample - VSA - Language](#)
- [Sample - SA - Math](#)
- [Sample - LA - Social](#)
- [Sample - HOTQ - Social](#)

NOTE : VidyaDaan provides an inbuilt tool to create questions of each type and add solutions/answers. Questions can be contributed only using the inbuilt tool and no other types are supported. https://diksha.gov.in/play/collection/do_312796455245733888120257?contentType=TextBook&contentId=do_31279863123704217617397

Guidelines for Lesson Plans

- A Lesson Plan should comprise of:
 - Clear objectives
 - “how to” teach with suggested activities
 - practice questions and assessments.
- Remove any external web-links and personally identifiable information like name, address, number or email from the lesson plan.
- As you start contributing lesson plans, you can refer to some samples:
 - [Sample - Science](#)
 - [Sample - Maths](#)
 - [Sample - Social](#)

NOTE : Ensure that the Lesson Plan document or presentation is converted into **PDF format** before uploading.

Guidelines for Experiential Content

- Experiential content contains real-life examples of a concept that is taught in a chapter; for e.g.:
 - **Languages:** A moral of a story or a poem used to engage students on how they would apply the same in real life
 - **Social Studies:** Asking the students to do a role play or speech as a historic character to experience it differently and gain perspective
 - **Math:** A real life application of a concept, formula, theorem or problem
 - **Science:** A real-life application/demonstration of a concept. Showing students an activity where they identify- “science around us in our homes/schools/daily lives etc”
- As you start contributing experiential content, you can refer to some samples:
 - [Sample - Science](#)
 - [Sample - Math](#)
 - [Sample - Language](#)
 - [Sample - Social](#)

Guidelines for Focus spots

- What is a Focus spot:
 - Any topic or subtopic in a chapter which students find difficult to understand and continuously make mistakes OR the teacher finds difficult to teach.
- As you start contributing focus spots, you can refer to some samples:
 - [Sample - Science](#)
 - [Sample - Math](#)
 - [Sample - Social](#)

Guidelines for Mind maps/concept maps

- Mind Maps are a beneficial learning tool to help students brainstorm about topics and think creatively. Mind maps are particularly helpful in the writing process and provide students with a natural way of thinking and building thoughts on a story plot or theme.

- As you start contributing Mind maps/Concept Maps, you can refer to some samples:
 - [Sample - Science](#)
 - [Sample - Maths](#)
 - [Sample - Social](#)

NOTE : Ensure that the Mind Map/Concept Map document or presentation is converted into **PDF format** before uploading.