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**Ejemplo Story Board**

**Best Practice in Discussion Forum**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Definition</b></p> <p>The Discussion Forum is a communication tool that allows online discussion of class topics. Conversations are organized into threads containing a main posting and its related responses. Discussion board forums can be created for class-wide or group participation.</p>		<p>Discussion Board Best Practice Guide <a href="http://citg.babson.edu">http://citg.babson.edu</a></p>
<p><b>Why use?</b></p> <p>The most significant applications of computer-mediated communication in E-learning environments are discussion forums. Web discussion forums provide a way for students to extend the classroom discussions. It provides better cognitive and exploratory learning (Haggerty et al., 2001), increased student-to-student discussion and cooperation (Kassop, 2003; Stodel et al. 2006), superior learner empowerment (Kassop, 2003), and upgraded critical thinking skills (Shapley, 2000; Collison et al., 2000).</p>		<p>Shana, Z. (2009). Learning with Technology: Using Discussion Forums to Augment a Traditional-Style Class. <i>Journal of Educational Technology &amp; Society</i>, 12(3), 214-228. Retrieved from Academic Search Complete database.</p>
<p><b>Can be:</b></p> <p>Synchronous discussion forums Asynchronous discussion forums Description and Comparison Benefits</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Image</p>	<p>H. (2009). Toward a Semantic Forum for Active Collaborative Learning. <i>Journal of Educational Technology &amp; Society</i>, 12(4), 71-</p>