

Atomic Journals

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What is Atomic Journals?

Atomic Journals allows you to post reflective writing prompts onto a Canvas page where students can easily submit and edit individual journal entries. Students can view a compilation of their own journal entries across an entire course in a single document.

Journals can be configured with different anonymity/grading settings based on your goals. Reports are available to help teachers monitor and grade all writing entries, as needed. The tool is easy to use and supports metacognition and reflective learning.

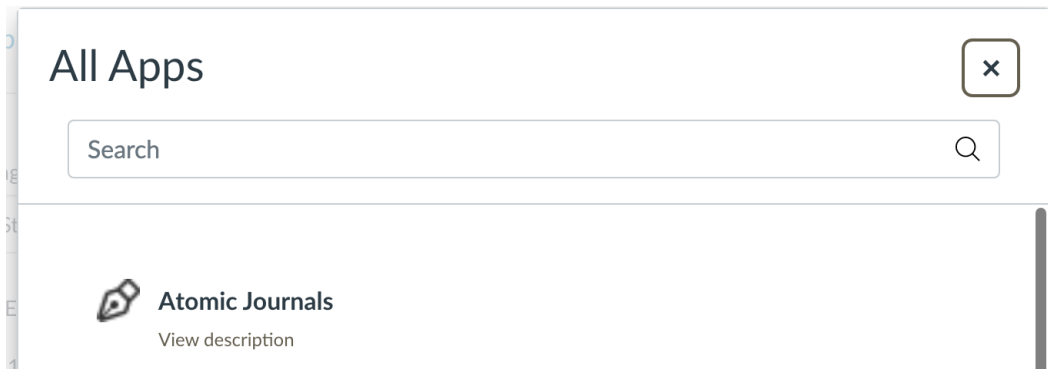
Using Atomic Journals

To create an **Atomic Journal** prompt on a Canvas page or assignment:

1. Open the Editor, find the External Tools drop down menu and select **View All** to locate **Atomic Journals**.



2. Find the **External Tools** menu and select **View All**



3. Select **Atomic Journals** in the **All Apps** menu
4. From there, you will write your prompt and description in the pop-up window that appears.



Activity Name

Prompt

Rich text editor toolbar with icons for undo, redo, Paragraph (dropdown), Bold (B), Italic (I), bulleted list, numbered list, decrease indent, increase indent, link, unlink, and source code. Below the toolbar is a large text area for writing the prompt.

Save

5. Write your reflective writing prompt

6. Configure your [course settings](#) to set visibility and grading settings before students submit.

Note: For step-by-step instructions, visit the [Create writing prompts](#) page.

Resources

- [Atomic Journals Resources for Course Authors](#) - Guidance on creating, configuring, and working with course journals.
- [Atomic Journals Resources for Students](#) - Guidance on writing, editing, and downloading journal entries.

Any questions? Contact Digital Learning Design at dld@brown.edu.