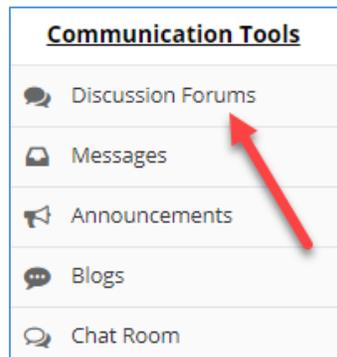


Using Discussion Forums

Create a Discussion Post

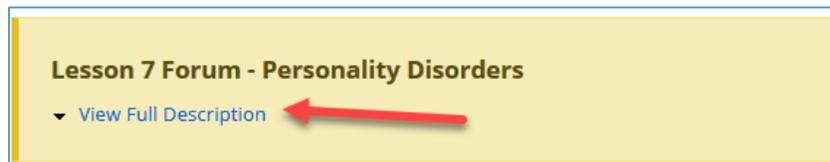
1. Click on the Discussion Forums link under Communication Tools.



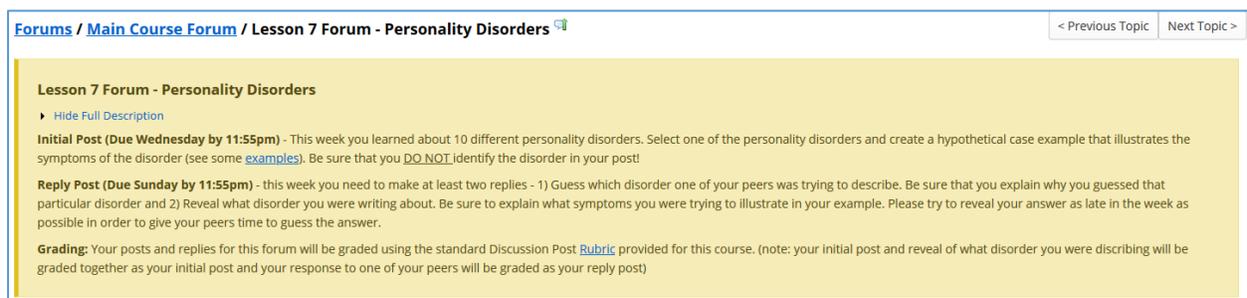
2. Click on the Forum/Topic link to enter the discussion.



3. Click on the View Full Description link to see the directions for the discussion.



The directions for the discussion will display:

A screenshot of a forum page. The breadcrumb trail is 'Forums / Main Course Forum / Lesson 7 Forum - Personality Disorders'. There are navigation links for '< Previous Topic' and 'Next Topic >'. The main content area is titled 'Lesson 7 Forum - Personality Disorders' and has a 'Hide Full Description' link. The 'Initial Post (Due Wednesday by 11:55pm)' section contains the following text: 'This week you learned about 10 different personality disorders. Select one of the personality disorders and create a hypothetical case example that illustrates the symptoms of the disorder (see some examples). Be sure that you DO NOT identify the disorder in your post!'. The 'Reply Post (Due Sunday by 11:55pm)' section contains the following text: 'this week you need to make at least two replies - 1) Guess which disorder one of your peers was trying to describe. Be sure that you explain why you guessed that particular disorder and 2) Reveal what disorder you were writing about. Be sure to explain what symptoms you were trying to illustrate in your example. Please try to reveal your answer as late in the week as possible in order to give your peers time to guess the answer.'. The 'Grading' section contains the following text: 'Your posts and replies for this forum will be graded using the standard Discussion Post Rubric provided for this course. (note: your initial post and reveal of what disorder you were describing will be graded together as your initial post and your response to one of your peers will be graded as your reply post)'.

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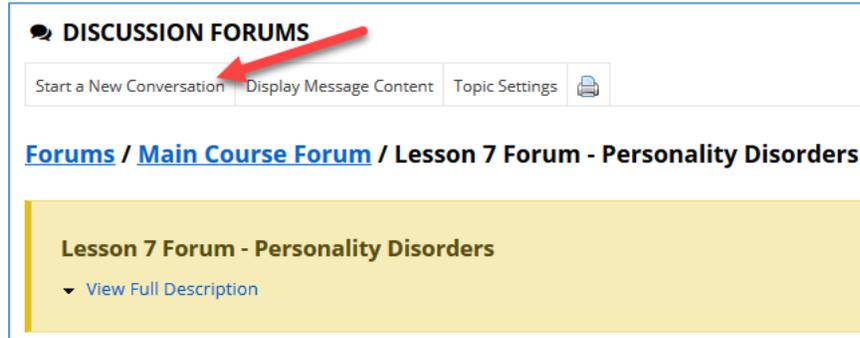
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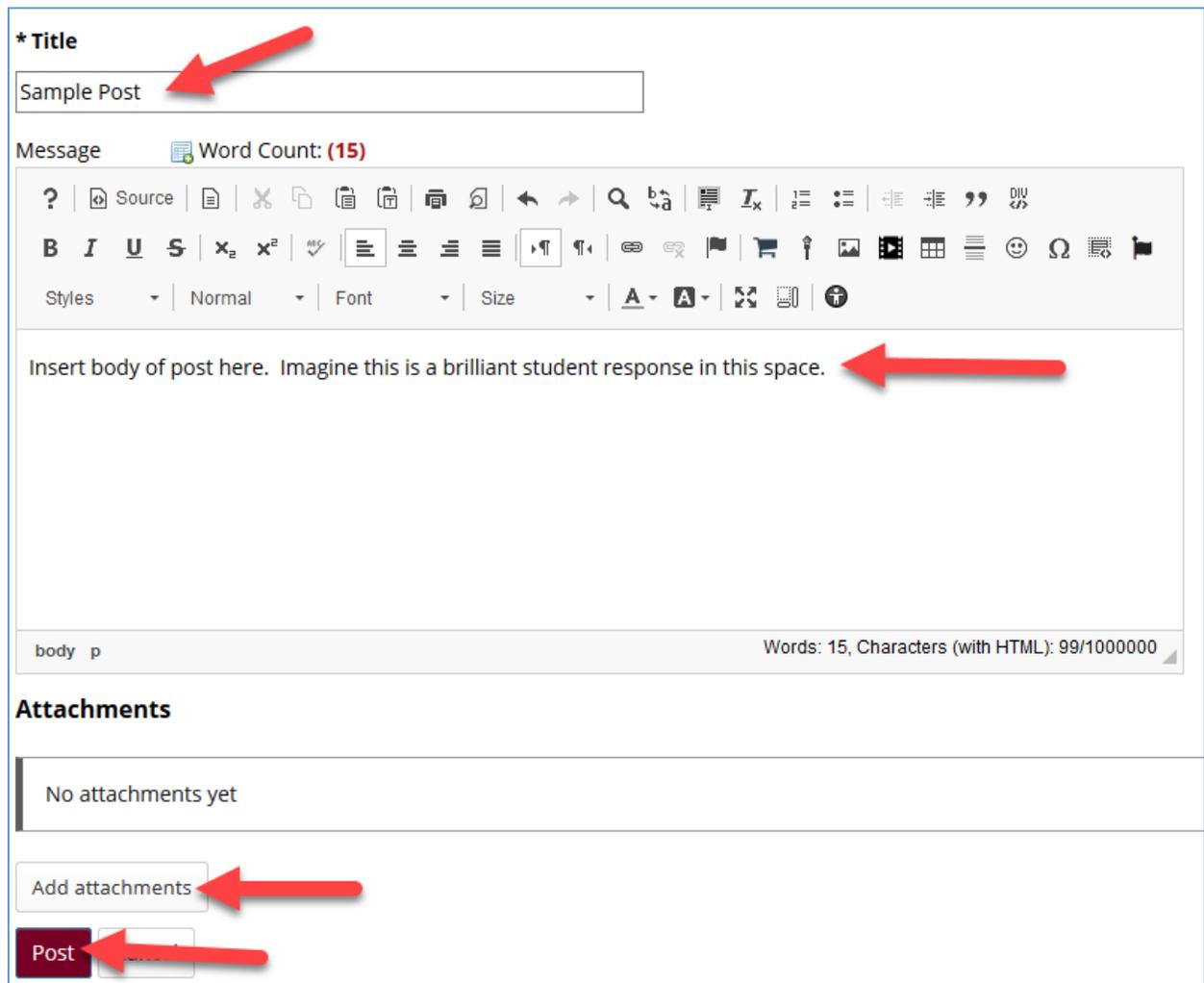
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Note: You may see posts from your peers listed below the directions. In the event that you do not see other prompts, it may mean that your peers have not posted yet or that your instructor will require you to create your own post before viewing posts from your peers.

- Click on the Start a New Conversation tab to create a post.



- Enter a title for your post in the title field. Insert the body of your post in the Message box. You may also attach files by clicking the Add attachments button. Click the Post button when finished to publish your post.



Read Posts

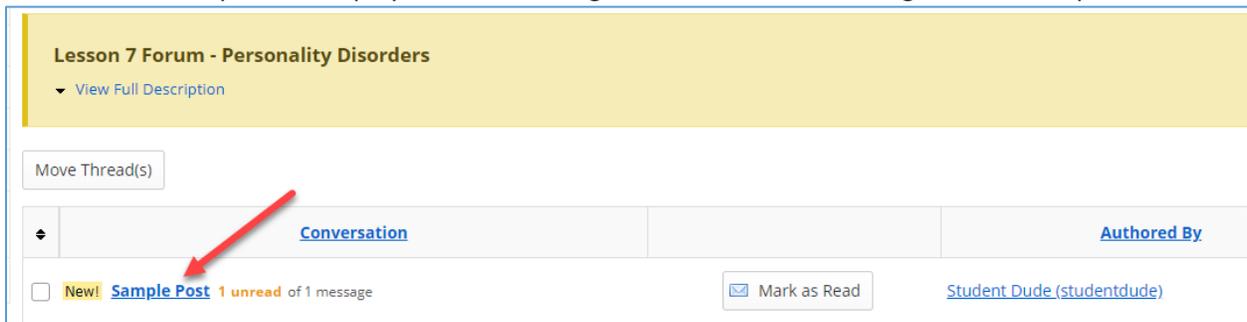
When you view the list of discussion forums/topics on the Discussion Forums tool, you will see an indicator of how many unread messages you have in each discussion.



1. Click on the name of a Forum or Topic to view all messages.



2. A list of topics will display on the following screen. Click on a message to view the post.



Reply to a Post

1. There are two options for replying to a post:
 - a. Click the Reply to Initial Message tab to reply to the first message in the conversation.
 - b. Click the Reply button within the message to reply to the message you are currently viewing.

