This handout contains the exact same information as the corresponding Blackboard Learn Essentials videos which are available at [http://tinyurl.com/essentials-videos](http://tinyurl.com/essentials-videos).

## Embedding Youtube Videos

### Step-by-Step

- Learn, unlike Vista, allows YouTube videos to be embedded and played in the content areas, without students having to be redirected to the YouTube site.
- To get started, go to a content area page in a course, such as Course Content.
- Hover over the Build Content tab and in the menu that appears click on YouTube Video.
- Now, the Search for a YouTube Video page appears and the search field can be used to search for any video on YouTube, using an exact title, a YouTube URL, or trying out single or multiple keywords. Click in the search field, provide some type of text (for this tutorial, “Uploading a lecture to BoilerCast” will be used), and once finished click Go.
- **Note:** Videos can be searched that contain different spoken or textual a language other than English, use the Language dropdown to search for these videos.

![Search for a YouTube Video](image)

- The Search Results page appears and displays the video that YouTube found to identify with the search phrase entered.

![Search Results](image)

- In case there are multiple results, use the Sort By dropdown or Uploaded dropdown to limit the results, and then click Go next to these dropdown menus.

![Sort by](image)
Now, locate the thumbnail of the video and the Preview button below. Click the Preview button and a popup will appear that plays the video, enabling the instructor to preview if the video is what they’re looking for.

Click Select to choose the video.

The Create Mashup Item page will appear. Clicking the Name field will allow a name to be entered that is different from the video’s and additional text can be entered into the Description text area to further explain the video.

Scroll down to section 2, Mashup Options. The first option, View, allows the way the video is played to be changed. (A) Thumbnail allows the video to be played in a popup when Watch Video is clicked. (B) Text Link with Player, allows the video to be played in a popup when Watch Video is clicked, however there is no thumbnail preview. (C) Embed Video, allows the video player to be shown directly in the content area. We recommend using Embed Video, to lessen the steps that the students need to take to play the video.
There are two other two options in Mashup Options. **Show YouTube URL** allows the actual URL to the YouTube video to be displayed. **Show YouTube Information** allows the duration and username of the video’s uploader to be displayed.

- Show YouTube URL
  - Yes
  - No
- Show YouTube information
  - Yes
  - No

- Click the **Submit** button
- Now the video will show up on the content area page