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## Web Essentials

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### Visit our Laptop Support COW



The Laptop Support COW is one of the Hunter Central Coast Regional COWs (Collaborative Online Workspaces)

#### Access

Access the COWs via the link on the HCC Regional Intranet: https://detwww.det.nsw.edu.au/regions/hunter\_ccoast/

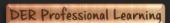
Login with your DET portal username with the suffix @det

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## Creating a collaborative canvas using

What is 'Lino It'?

'Lino It' is a web-based application designed to create a canvas on which you can post stick-it notes, images and video clips in order to share your ideas and resources. You can share your canvases with other people via email, through social media such as Twitter or Facebook or you can embed your canvases into your website, blog or moodle. 'Lino It' is unblocked for all students K-12.

#### What does a 'Lino It' canvas look like?



Above: Example of a canvas created in 'Lino It'

#### Where can I find Lino It?

'Lino It' is located at the following URL: <a href="http://en.linoit.com/">http://en.linoit.com/</a>

#### What does Lino It cost?

Nothing. You can create a Lino It account for free.

#### Do I need a Lino It account?

No. You can try Lino It without creating an account. Simply click on the Give it a shot! button and you can create a trial canvas. Create a free account by clicking on the Create an account button to allow you to upload your own files and photos to your canvases.

#### How does Lino It work?

When you open a new canvas in Lino It, your screen view displays a small part of your whole canvas (shown

inside the white rectangle). You can move your canvas around by clicking and dragging it. Your stick-it notes and other tools are in a floating palette at the top right of your screen.





Screen

To add to your canvas simply click on an item from the palette, personalise it with text, a photo, a video URL or attach a file and then click Post

You can position your notes and other items anywhere on your canvas by dragging them. At the bottom right corner of each stick-it note you post there are options to edit, schedule, remove or resize your note



#### Can I personalise my Lino It canvas?

Yes. Simply go into My Page in your account and:

- 1) click on the My Canvases link
- 2) click on Create New Canvas
- name your canvas and choose a background or upload an image of your own to the background
- 4) set the access and privacy settings for your canvas
- 5) click on Create a canvas when you're done

#### How do I share my Lino It canvas?

You can share your Lino It canvas with others in the following ways by clicking on the Information icon in the floating palette:

URL - creates a URL you can send to people to share your canvas
Link - creates a link to your canvas that you can paste into a document or blog
Embed - creates a code you can use to



## How can I integrate Lino It into my teaching program?

embed your canvas into your website

There are endless opportunities for the relevant integration of Lino It into your teaching program, particularly where students are required to brainstorm ideas around a topic or theme, or gathering information from a variety of sources. Here are three ideas that you might like to try using Lino It for in your classroom:

### Collaborative brainstorming or collecting information

Create a shared, group canvas and have students post their information and ideas to this canvas over a period of time as they complete their research or readings

#### 2. Posting memos or reminders to students

Create a class canvas where you can post memos and scheduled tasks that will automatically alert students via email when the due date is approaching

#### 3. Creating an online gallery walk

Create a canvas containing student work samples and encourage students to consider and comment constructively on each work sample using stick-it notes

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