

## Setting Homework

When you come to set homework in Frog, it's important to understand that collecting work in via Frog is not mandatory. Many start off using Frog as a homework notification tool and continue to use their existing methods for the actual work.

While this may seem contradictory, it's about being fair to your students – imagine having one teacher set work on their white board, another using MyMaths, a third using their own blog – suddenly students don't have one place to get their homework, they have 5 or more.

Paper Planners are great in concept, but in reality don't last the year and even then, are a struggle for students with dyslexia or other additional needs. And of course, parents rarely get to see what has been written in their teenagers' planners,

By using Frog for homework notifications, you eliminate all these problems and it's really quick to set work.

To issue a quick homework:

- Click on the **+** (**plus**) button in the FrogBar
- Choose **Assignment**
- In the pop-up which opens:
  - Give your assignment a **name** – to help you identify it later
  - Select your **subject** – quick tip: taping the first letter of the subject in on you keyboard jumps the list to the right area.
  - In the **Instructions** box, we've provided rich-text, so you can add links, make text bold, bullet-point your instructions etc...
  - Next, you can change the **available from date**, should you be able to plan your work
  - You'll need to set a **Due Date**
  - You can also set whether the assignment will **auto-close**. This is handy for removing work from students calendars without them or you needing to mark the work as handed-in. Your school admin may have chose to set this be default. You can have it close after the Due Date.
  - In the **Add People** box, clicking should list your classes automatically, but you can search for classes or individuals by typing their details.
  - Once you have selected your class, you'll notice the **Convert to Individuals** button – this is handy for instant differentiation – but if you regularly wish to set differentiated homework, you can make Groups inside Frog for your students using the Groups and Policies application. Your school's Frog Admin can help with this.

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Once you have completed this first page, the green Assign button becomes available. Clicking Assign now will send an alert to your students' MyFrog app on their mobile devices as well as their parents. It will add the homework to their calendar and their assignment list.

If you wish to add resources or collect work in via Frog then there are options to do this, available when you click **Next**.

The second page of the Assignment wizard contains **Activities**. We'll cover these in the Assignment Activities video, but as you can see, you can collect in Computing Code and Files, assign a self-marking quiz, or provide a text entry for homework and even assign a Google Document from here. You can add multiple activities too.

The third page, **Resources**, allows you to add files from either your computer or files in Frog already. The video, preparing homework in advance shows you some options for working with colleagues to create richer homeworks.

The final tab, **Evaluation**, is there if you wish to mark work set in Frog. By default it is set to Percentage, but you can just mark the work out of a number or use a customer Markscheme, which your school's Frog Admin can help you set up.

If you use the New Assignment button within the Markbook, then your class, subject and the evaluation will be preset, saving you a few clicks.

At every stage past the first tab, you can assign work to your students.