



# Tests, Surveys, and Pools

## What are Tests, Surveys, and Pools?

**Tests** in Blackboard can be tests or quizzes that evaluate student progress in a course.

**Surveys** are used to gather information from students.

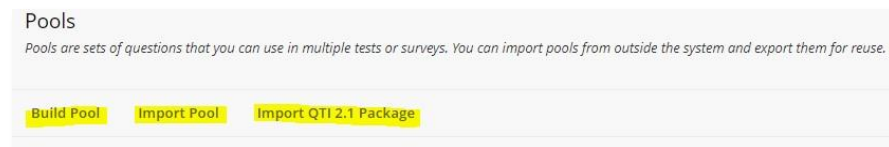
**Pools** are collections/groups of test/quiz questions that can be included in tests, quizzes, and surveys.

## Where are Tests, Surveys, and Pools located in Blackboard?

In the Control Panel under Course Tools, look for Tests, Surveys, and Pools.

## How are Pools created in Blackboard?

Pools are an inventory of questions that can be reused throughout the course to create tests/quizzes. Pool questions can be sorted by question, category, question type, topics, levels of difficulty, and keywords.



**Build Pool:** From the Build Pool option you can name the pool, enter a description and instructions. Once you click submit you can create questions, find questions and upload questions.

**Import Pool:** Import Pool adds an exported Pool to the existing set of Pools. For pools to be imported into Blackboard they must be in the proper format. Respondus can be used to create a question pool or there are Blackboard test question generators available. Textbook publishers sometimes provide zip files that contain test question pools.

**Import QTI 2.1 Package:** Instructors can import third-party content to build test pools. This content usually comes from textbook publishers. To help ensure compatibility, publishers develop this material using industry standards.

