

Interwrite Response – Understanding Classes and Lessons

A Quick Guide to complete before you begin using Response in the classroom.

Overview

This is the information you should know and the steps that should be taken BEFORE using InterwriteResponse with clickers in a classroom. After completing this Quick Guide you will be able to set up a data directory, and learn about classes, lessons and sessions.

Decisions to Make

- Are you going to use the Interwrite Response software or PowerPoint to prepare the questions?
- Do you want to use Response for impromptu questions?
- Do you want to track student responses?
- Where will you save collected data?

Understanding Interwrite Classes, Lessons and Sessions

A **class** is one section of your course, given at a specific place and time. E.g. "World History 101". Instructors should have one Response class for each specific course. You can create multiple sections of a specific class and use them in different sessions.

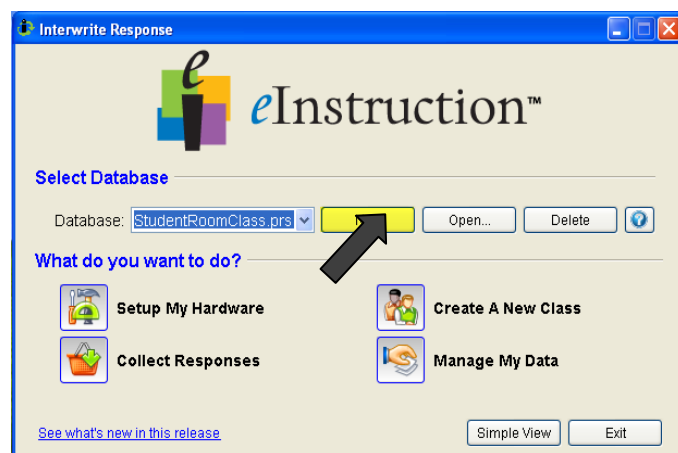
A **lesson** is a prepared set of questions, either created in the Response software or using the PowerPoint add-in. Lessons can be delivered during one or more class sections. E.g. "Intro lecture with four Response questions, delivered on Monday and Wednesday."

A **session** is a lesson (or part of a lesson) that is given to class at a specific time. E.g. Intro lecture given to 11 am section of World History 101 on a specific date.

Setting up your Database

Note: If you choose to track and save the data from the Response use, you must have designated a specific database, preferably before your class. This can be a personal laptop, USB drive or simply your G:\ drive. The following directions are to be used for your G:\ drive and can be accessed from any computer on the campus network.

1. Make a new folder in your G:\ drive specifically named for your Response data.
2. Launch Interwrite Response (From Start > All Programs > eInstruction > Response > Response).
3. From the Select Database section, choose "**New**".



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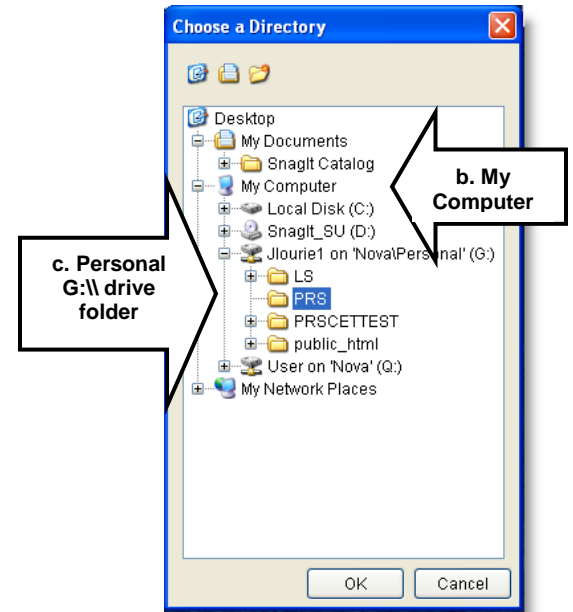
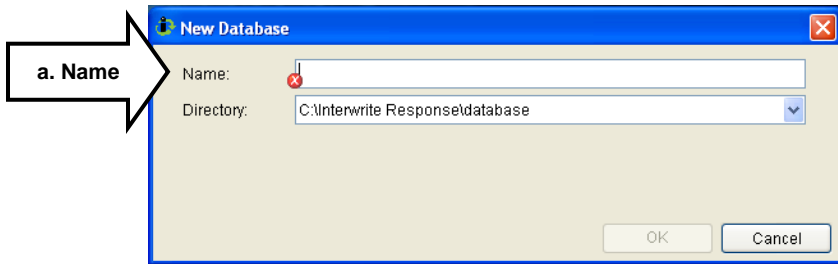
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4.
 - a. Next to “**Name:**” enter the name of your class.
 - b. On the next line, next to “**Directory**” select the drop down arrow and navigate to the folder that you created in your Personal G:\ drive by clicking on: **My Computer**.
 - c. Next, select Your Username on **Personal G:\ drive** and then the **specific folder** you created in Step 1.



Creating a Class in Response

You should only have to do this one time each semester.

Creating a New Class

1. Click **Create a New Class**
2. Follow the prompts through the New Class Wizard until complete, select **Finish**.
3. You can access this class through the **Manage My Data** icon, or by selecting **Collect Responses**, and choosing the desired class from the drop down menu.

About Roster

Although it's possible, you do not have to set up a roster ahead of time with the Response system. As long as the students have input their student ID in their clicker and session data gets saved to a specified database, you should be able to merge this data with a class roster.

Response will create a roster on the fly once the **Collect Responses** option is selected and the students join the class. This data can then be viewed with the **Manage My Data** tool.

Please contact ITS, and Marilyn Dispensa for further assistance.

Creating Lessons in Response

Creating a Lesson using Interwrite Response Software

Select the **Manage My Data** menu, choose the **Lessons** link, and then select the help icon for more information regarding building and editing lessons and questions.



Creating a Lesson in PowerPoint

Please see Quick Guide entitled “*Interwrite Response- PowerPoint Add-In*”.

Creating an Impromptu Lesson

Note: This lesson format is used for questions that arise during a class session. The question can be formatted in any way, and come from any source. Response will take a snap shot of the screen when the data is being collected in order to make the data identifiable.

1. To create an impromptu lesson, pen Interwrite Response.
2. Select the **Collect Responses** icon.
3. Fill in an appropriate name, class, and lesson type, and select **OK**.
4. At this point, you should announce, or present a question; it may be in the form of a handout, website, survey, white board etc.
5. Next, fill in the appropriate properties regarding the impromptu question.
6. Once this is complete, choose **OK**, and the Response question will launch.
7. Use the **green arrow** to start the question, and once data has been collected use the **red x** to exit the program.

A screenshot of the 'Impromptu Options' dialog box. It has a blue title bar with a close button (X) in the top right. The dialog contains several fields: 'Question Name' with a text box containing 'Impromptu1'; 'Question Type' with a dropdown menu set to 'Multiple Choice'; 'Points' with a spinner box set to '1'; 'Choices' with a dropdown menu set to '4'; 'Choice Type' with a dropdown menu set to 'Letters'; 'Chances' with a dropdown menu set to '5'; 'Timer' with a dropdown menu set to '00:30'; and 'Correct Answer' with an empty text box. At the bottom, there is a checkbox labeled 'Prompt Every Question' which is currently unchecked, and two buttons: 'OK' and 'Cancel'.

Managing Response Data

The Manage My Data icon on the main menu can be used for several things:

- Manage classes, rosters, and grades
- Create lessons
- Navigate through multiple classes
- Develop answer keys, and charts to display collected data

Note: If you close out of Manage My Data, you will navigate back to the main Interwrite Response screen, not out of the entire program.

Additional Help

e Instruction offers Interwrite Response support through tutorials and a list a FAQ's. For additional help or clarification, visit their website or access the following link to their online tutorials:

http://www.einstruction.com/support_downloads/assessment/response/index.html

For More Information

A variety of support services are available from ITS if you would like additional help:

Computer training on a variety of topics is available to faculty, staff, and students at no charge through the Technology Learning Center (TLC). Check out the current TLC training schedule online at <https://www.ithaca.edu/its/workshops>

Online documentation and tutorials on IC-supported computing software and systems are available at <https://www.ithaca.edu/its/traindoc>

Frontline computing support is available through the ITS Helpdesk in 104 Job Hall; send e-mail to helpdesk@ithaca.edu or call 607-274-1000.

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