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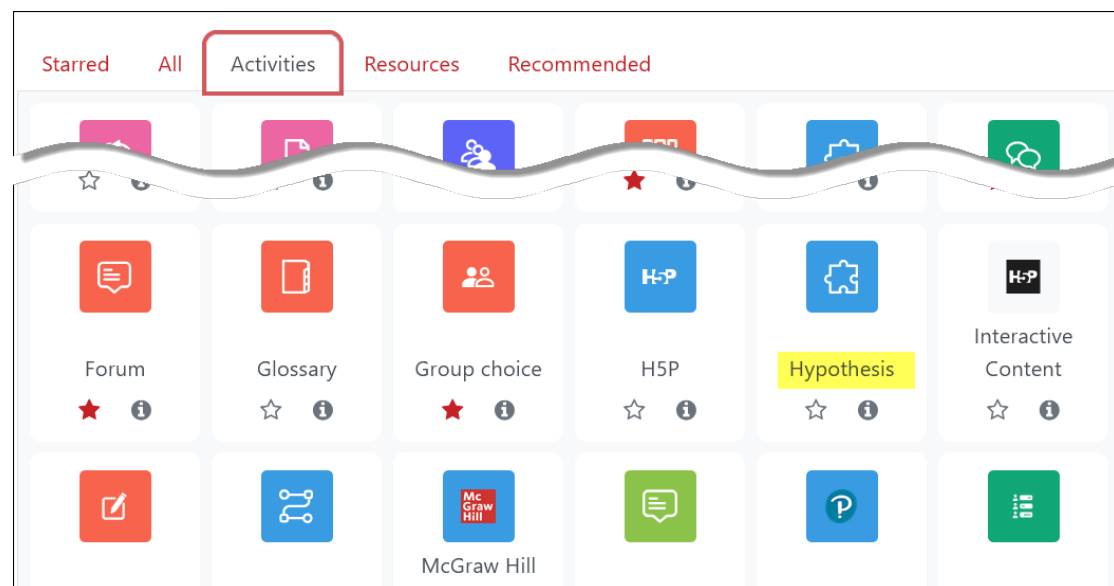
Social annotation in Hypothesis offers a powerful way for students to expand their understanding. Here's an easy way to set up an assignment... and the best part is that by using this approach, when you import your course into a new course shell, these links arrive ready to use! There is no need to re-establish links between files and Hypothesis activity links.

Upload Files

Begin by [creating a folder](#) where you'll store the pdf files that you want your learners to annotate together. (Note that you can create subfolders within the folder if you plan to incorporate a number of files throughout the term.) If you'd like to keep the files hidden from students until they are needed for annotating, open the **Common module settings** options and choose **Hide on course page** in the **Availability** field. **Save and display**, then click on **Edit** to drag and drop the pdf files into the folder.

Create Hypothesis Link

Select **Hypothesis** from the **Activities** menu in the **Add an activity or resource** interface.



Add a name for the activity (which will be overwritten later -- silly Moodle!), then click on **Select content**.

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In the **Select content** interface, choose **Moodle File (pdf)**.

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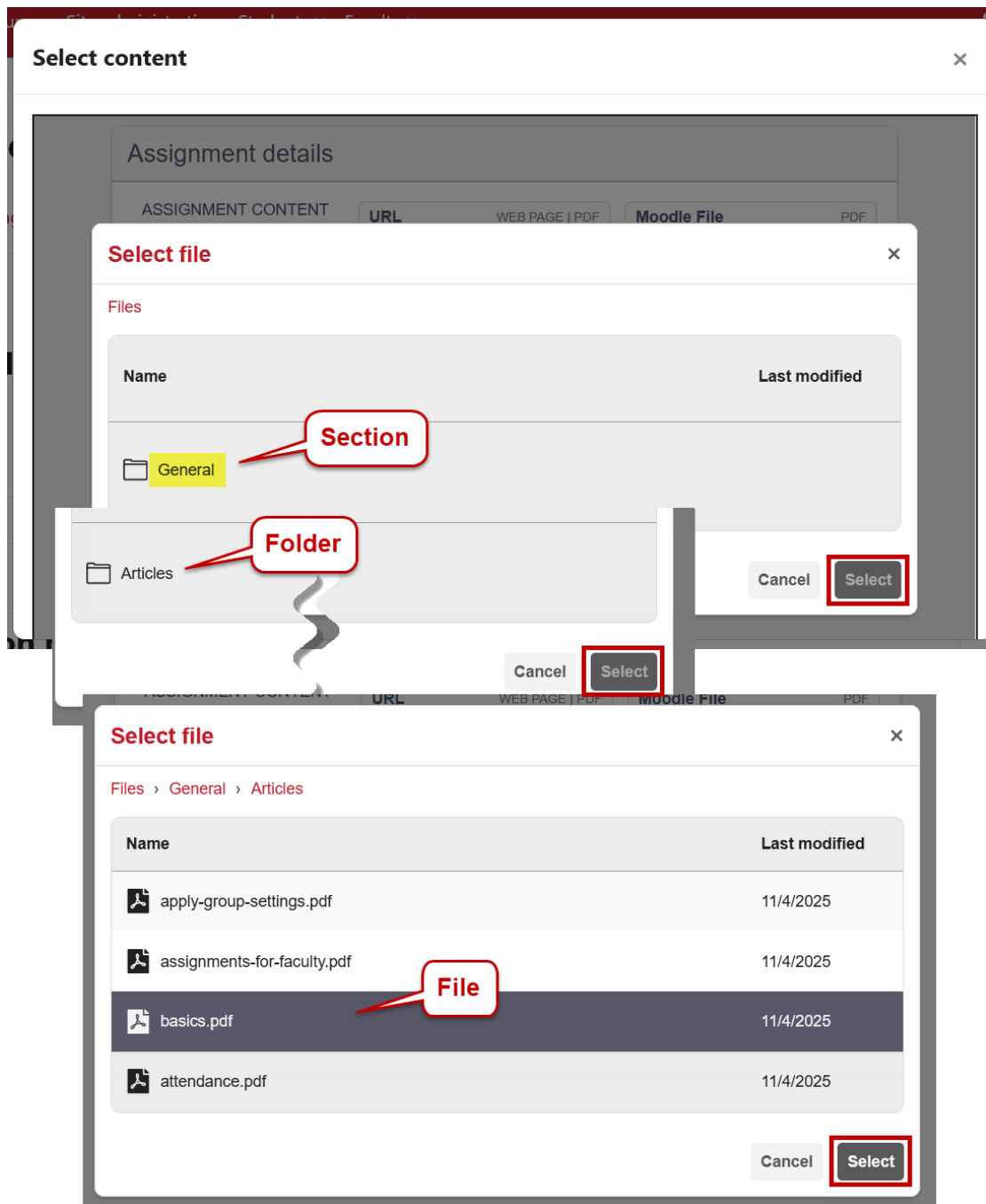
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In the next screens, select the **section** where your folder of pdfs resides, then choose the **folder**, then the **specific file** you wish to link.



Update any other settings, then **Save and return to course**. Open the link to access the pdf in Hypothesis.

See [these instructions](#) for setting up a Hypothesis activity for group annotations.