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Faculty: Troubleshoot a Video Link

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So, you've added a link to a video to a forum post or other text box, but the video player doesn't display. There's a simple fix for one problem that might be preventing the video player from being displayed: hidden formatting codes.

To check for hidden formatting:



Reveal Source Code

Click on the **Toggle** icon in the upper left corner to display all three rows of the editing toolbar, then click on the **Edit HTML source** icon in the lower right corner.

Check for Extra Code

The source code for the video link will start off with **<a href=http://** and continue with the video's URL. In the example shown in #2 at right, the code for the video's location is followed by additional code (****), then the word **video** appears (the word that the URL was linked to in the text box), followed by the code to close this formatting (****). Select and delete the additional text.

Save Revised Code

Click on **Update** to save your revisions and return to the text box. **Save changes**. Does the video player appear now?