

# Students' Blogs, Journals, & Wikis

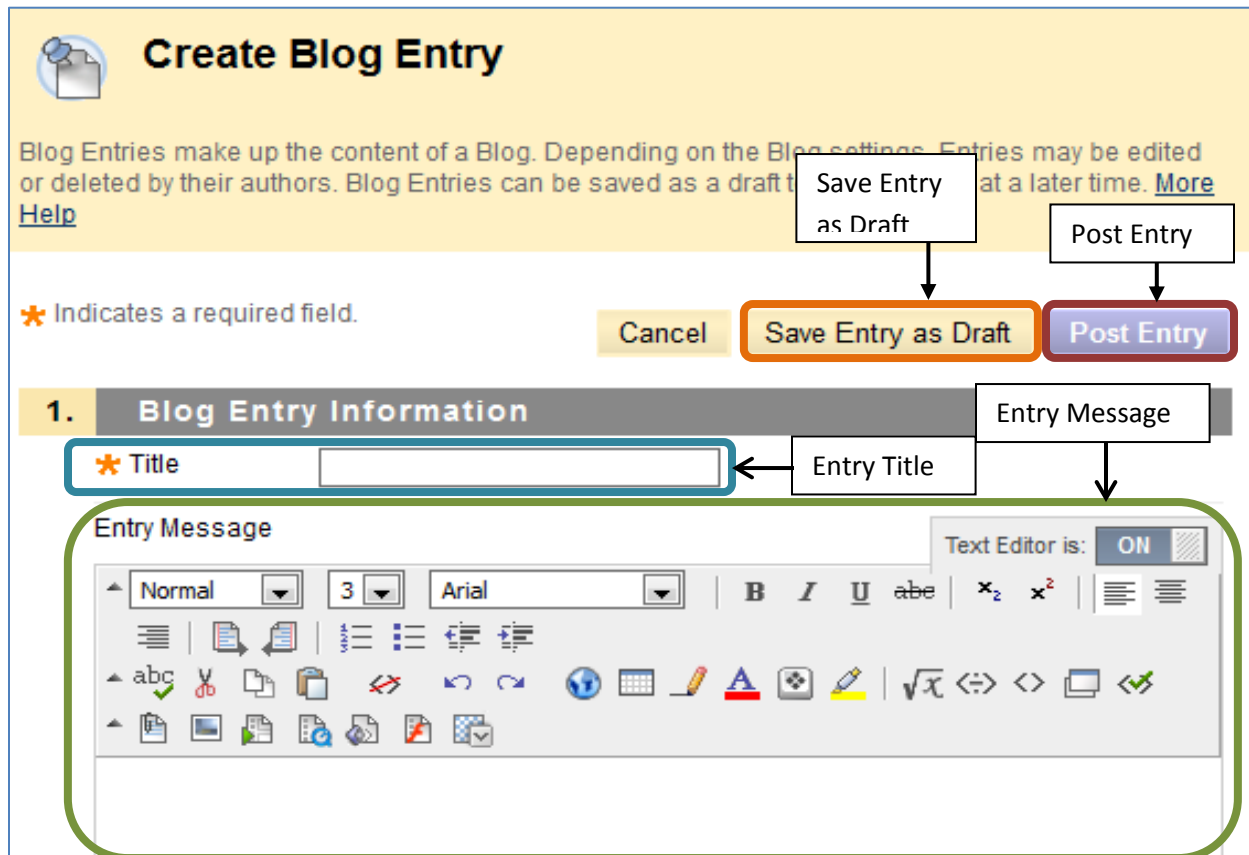
## Blogs

### ➤ Create a Blog Post:

1. Click on **Blogs** in the Main Menu or click **Tools** on the Course Menu and click Blogs
2. Select a blog to open
3. Click **"Create Blog Entry"**

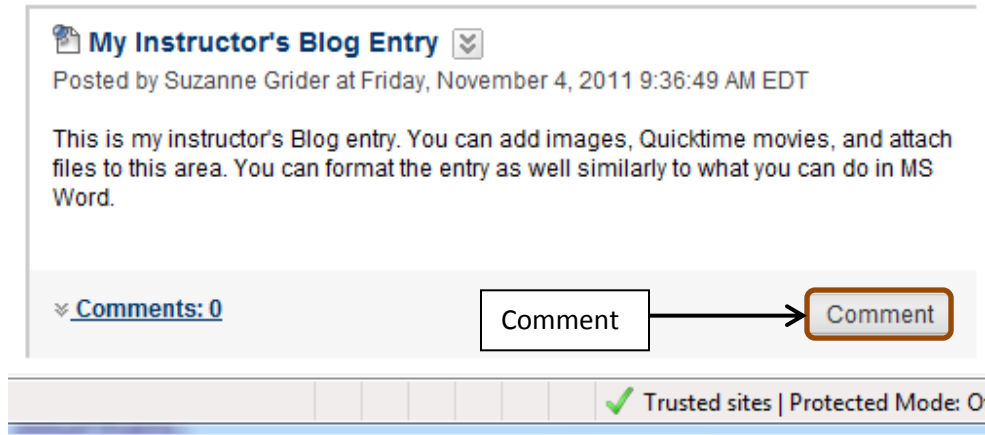
The screenshot shows a Blackboard blog interface for a course titled "Historical Facts". At the top, there is a yellow header bar with a folder icon and the title "Historical Facts". Below the header, there is a navigation bar with a "Create Blog Entry" button (highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to it from a text box), and a "View Drafts" button. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column contains an "Instructions" box with the text: "Be sure to comment in this blog at least twice per week. Each entry is worth 2 points toward your final grade. Points may be deducted if you do not comment on a regular basis." The right column contains a sidebar with several sections: "About this Blog" (Type: Individual Blog, Author: Student Koger, Entries: 0, Comments: 0), "Blog Grade" (Grade for: Student Koger, Grade: -- out of 10.0, Grade Date: --, Feedback: --), "More Blogs" (with left and right navigation arrows), and "Index" (listing "Donna Koger (2)" and "Student Koger (0)"). At the bottom right, there are two legend items: "Indicates New Entries" (with a blue plus icon) and "Indicates New Comments" (with a blue speech bubble icon).

4. Enter an “**Entry Title**”
5. Enter the text in the “**Entry Message**” text box. This is a required field.
6. Click Browse for local file to attach a file to the entry
7. Click “**Post Entry**” or click  
“**Save Entry as Draft**” to save the entry for later posting

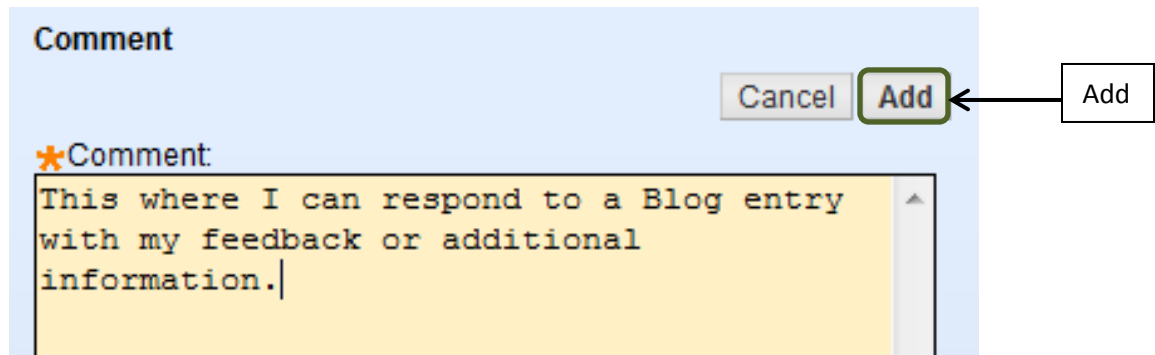


➤ **Comment on a Blog Post:**

1. Open a blog
2. Click **“Comment”** for the correct post



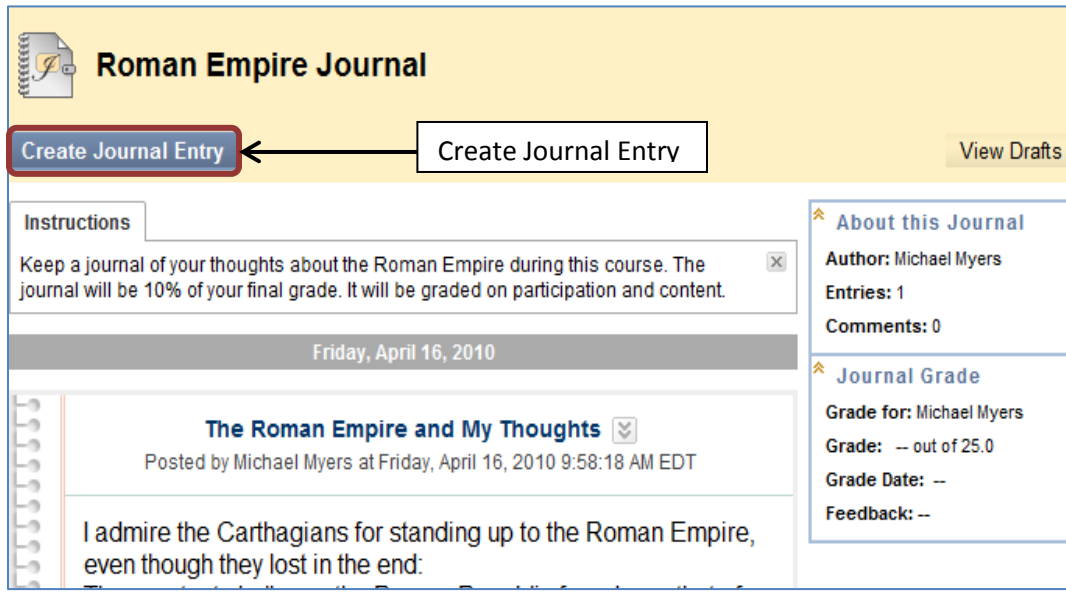
3. Enter a comment in the Comment field
4. Click **“Add”**



## Journals:

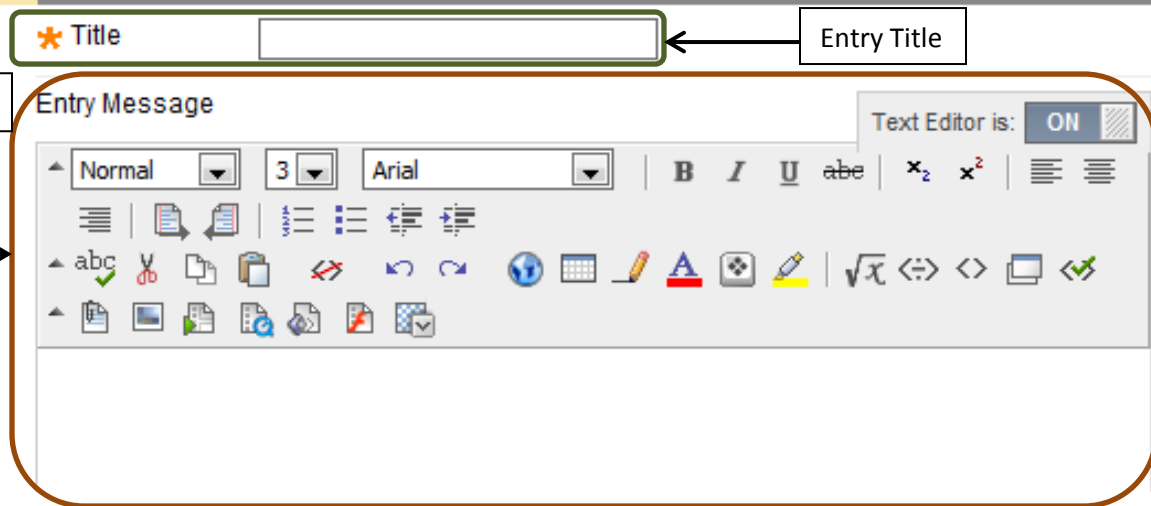
### ➤ Create a Journal Entry:

1. Open a **Journal**
2. Click **“Create Journal Entry”**

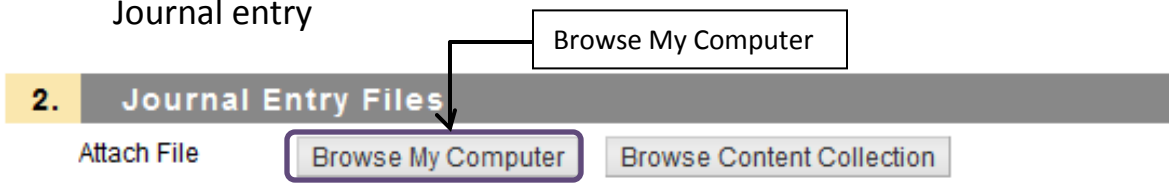


3. Enter an **“Entry Title”**
4. Enter the text in the **“Entry Message”** Text Editor

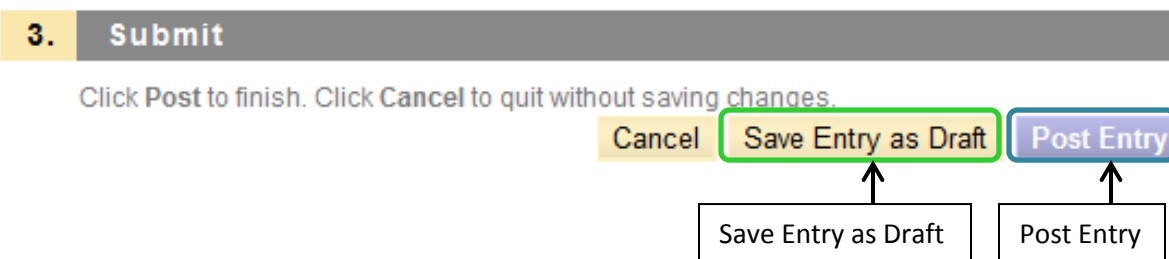
### 1. Journal Entry Information



- Click **“Browse My Computer”** for a Local File to attach a file to the Journal entry



- Click **“Post Entry”** to post the Journal entry or click **“Save Entry as Draft”** to post the entry later



➤ **Comment on a Journal Entry (peer review):**

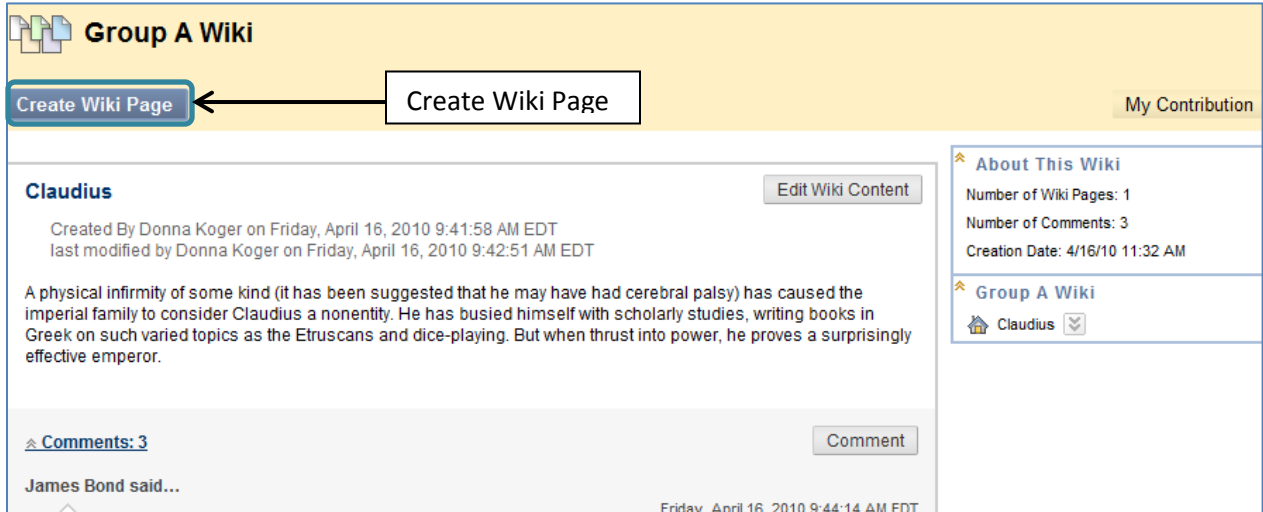
- Open a Journal
- Click **“Comment”** for the selected entry
- Enter a comment in the **Comment field**.
- Click the **“Add”** button.



## Wikis:

### ➤ Create a Wiki Page:

1. Access the Wiki from either the Course or from the Group page
2. Click **Create Wiki Page**



3. Provide a **Name** and enter **Content** in the text editor
4. Click **Submit** to finish your work

\* Indicates a required field.

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1. Wiki Page Content

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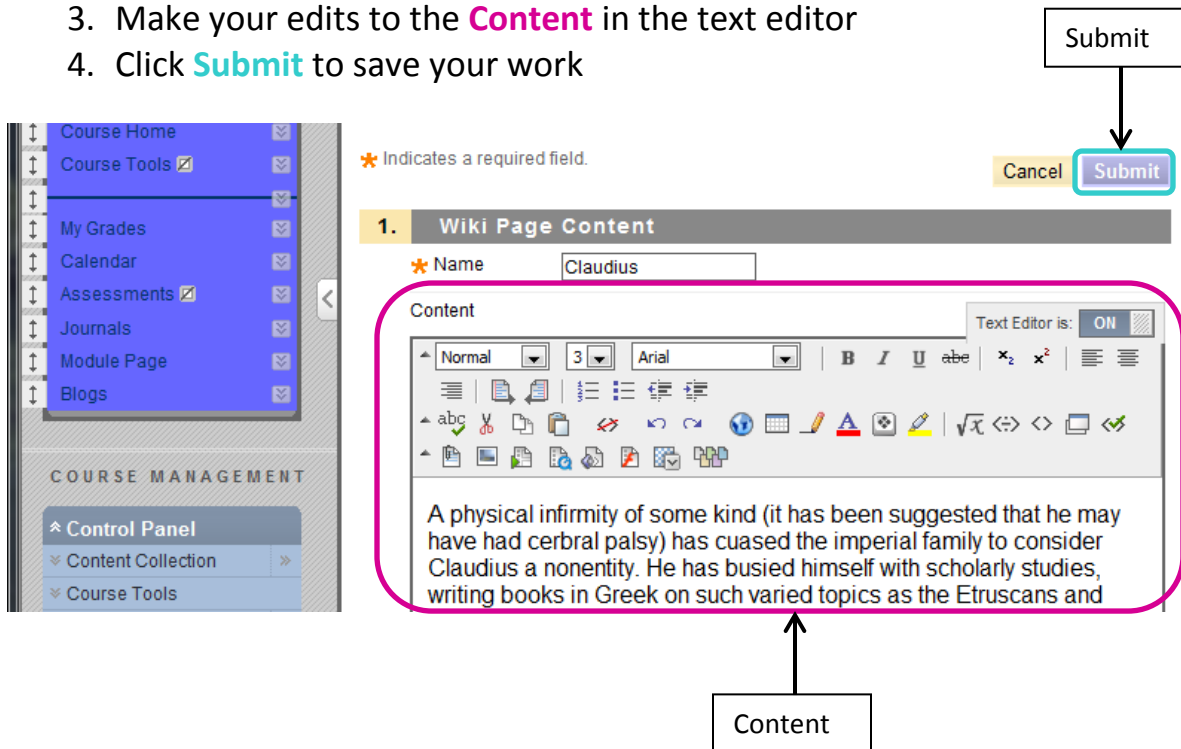
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➤ **Edit Wiki Content:**

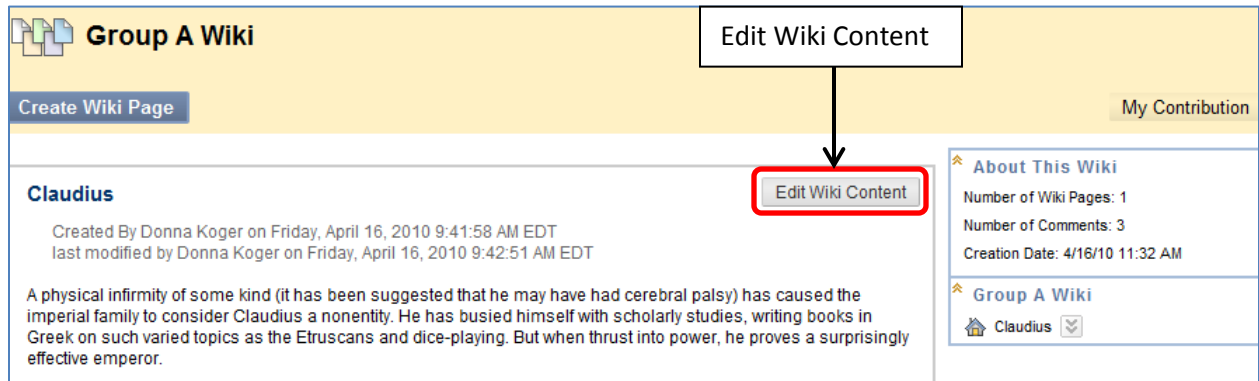
1. Access the Wiki you would like to edit
2. Click **Edit Wiki Content**



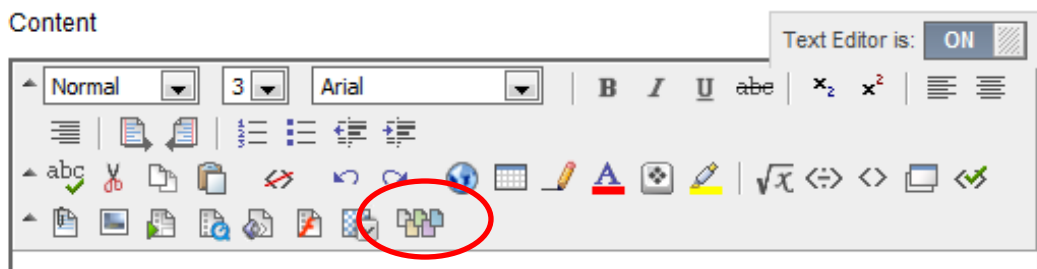
3. Make your edits to the **Content** in the text editor
4. Click **Submit** to save your work



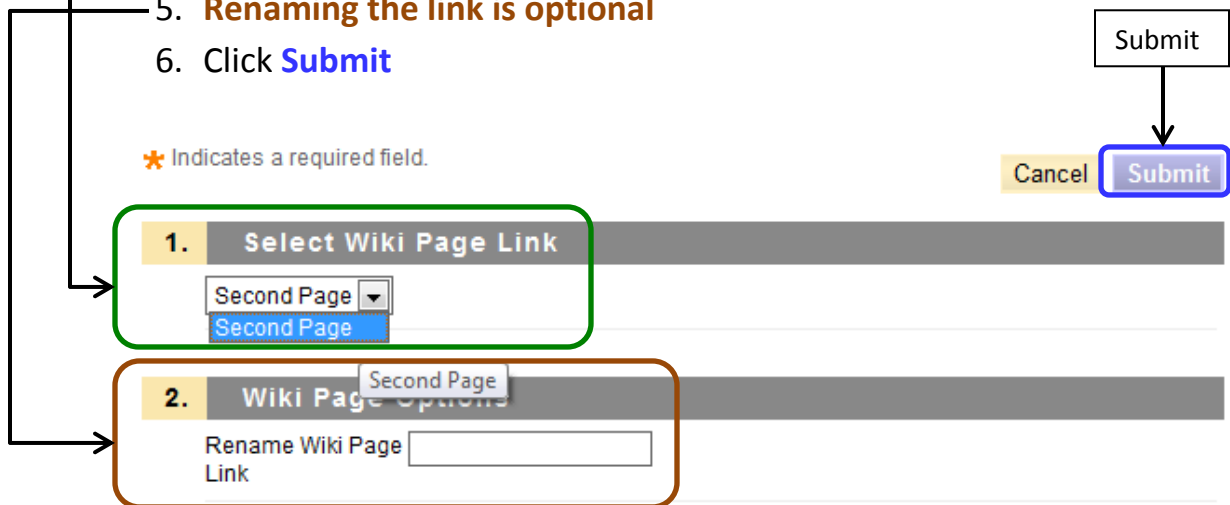
- **Link to Another Wiki Page:**
  1. Access the Wiki you would like to edit
  2. Click **Edit Wiki Content**



3. Select the **Link to Wiki page** icon from the text editor

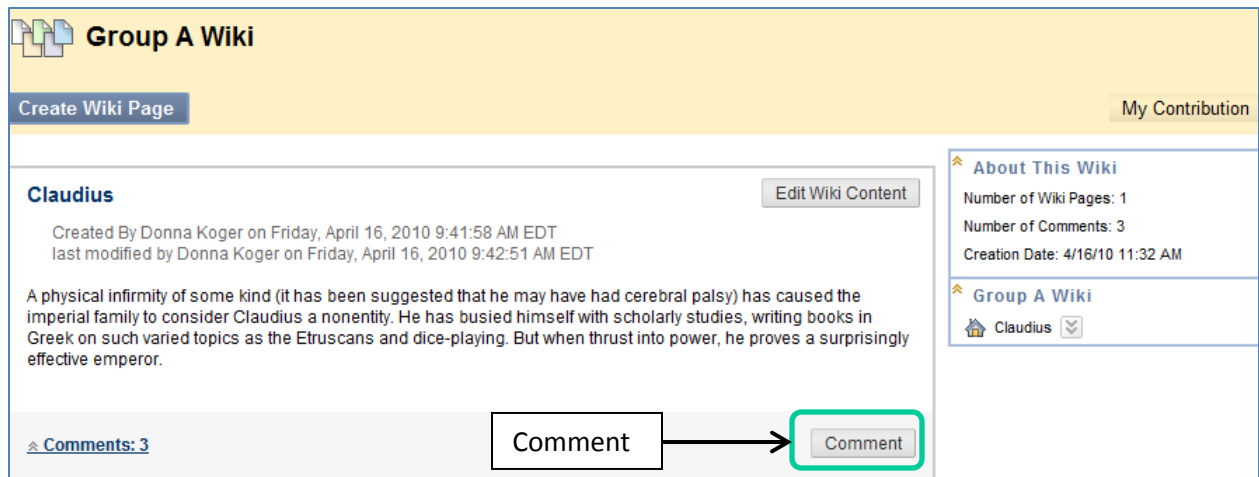


4. **Select the page you would like to link to**
5. **Renaming the link is optional**
6. Click **Submit**

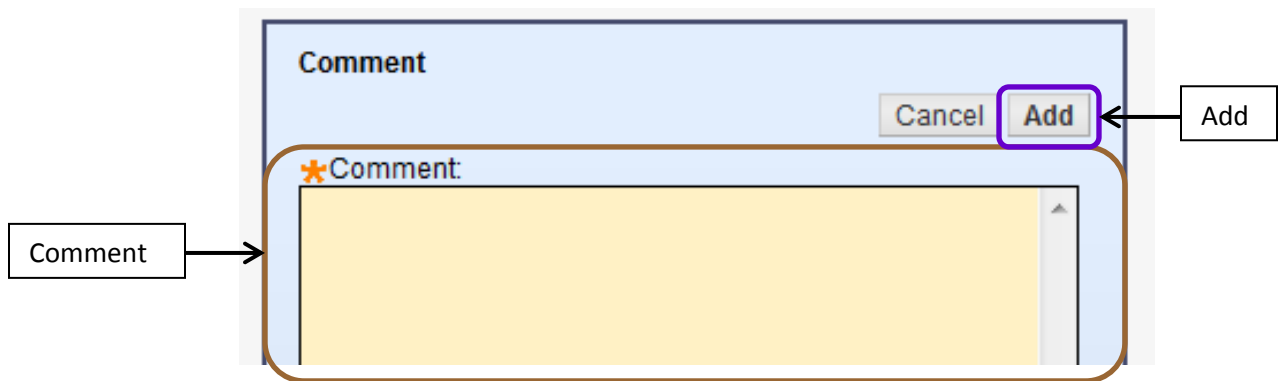


➤ **Comments:**

1. Open the **Comment** box

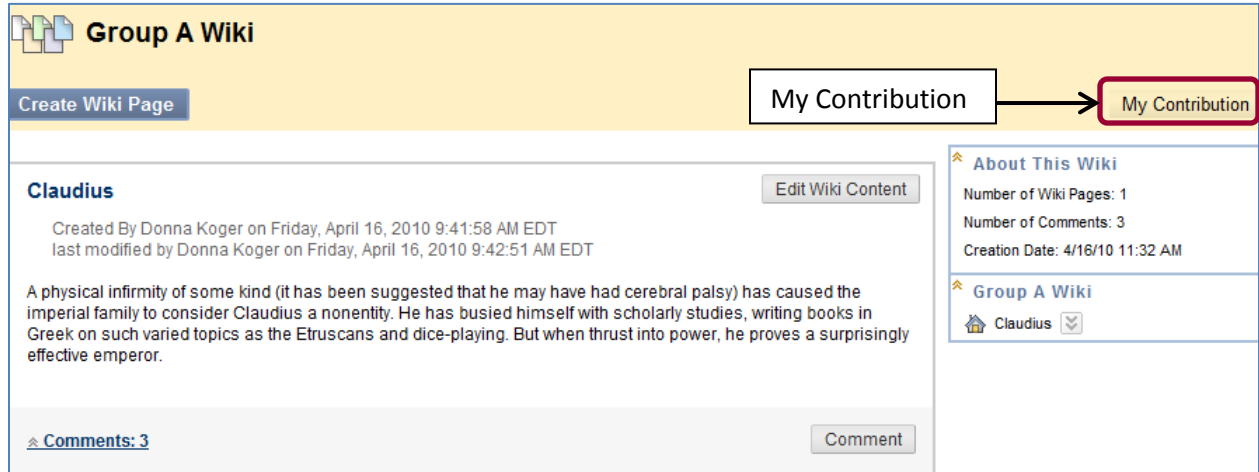


2. Type your comment or message in the **Comment** box
3. Click **Add** when you are finished



➤ **My Contributions:**

- Click on **My Contribution** to view all of your edits. All pages and versions that you have modified are listed



1. **Versions:** To see your specific changes, choose to **compare versions** under *User's Modifications*
2. Click a link in the **Page Version** column to view the version without the changes you have made
3. **Words Modified:** Words modified includes any word added, deleted, or edited
  - **Page Saves:** A page save refers to any time "Submit" is clicked on the *Edit Wiki* page regardless of whether or not content has been changed

