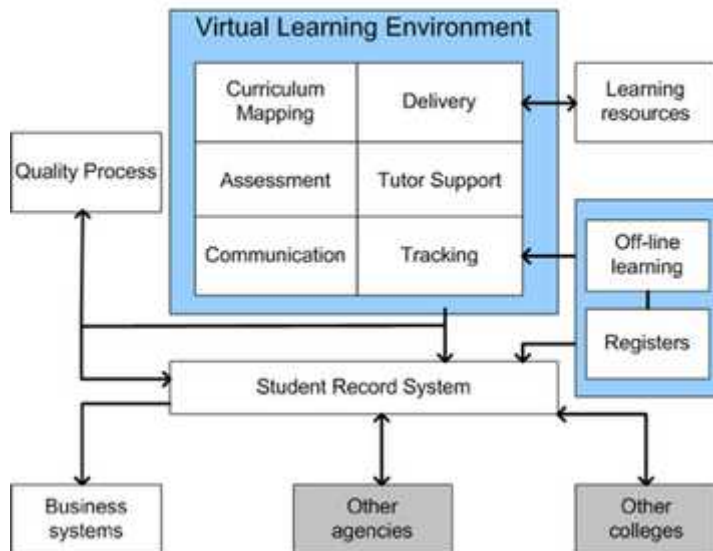


Learning Environments



Managed Learning Environment



A Virtual Learning Environment is a collection of integrated tools enabling the management of online learning, providing a delivery mechanism, student tracking, assessment and access to resources. These integrated tools may be one product (e.g. MS SharePoint, Moodle) or an integrated set of individual, perhaps open-source, tools.

The Government's e-strategy sets the expectation that:

- *By spring 2008 every pupil should have access to a personalised online learning space with the potential to support an **e-portfolio**.*
- *By 2010 every school should have integrated learning and management systems (a comprehensive suite of learning platform technologies).*

Based in the West Midlands, Invictus Technology has a proven track record of successfully delivering IT solutions across a broad range of industries throughout the UK. **In particular we have been working with schools in the West Midlands since 2005.**

What is Moodle? Moodle is a free software e-learning platform (also known as a Course Management System (CMS), or Learning Management Systems (LMS), or **Virtual Learning Environment (VLE)**). It has a significant user base with 38,896 registered sites with 16,927,590 users in 1,713,438 courses (as of January, 2008).

Moodle offers a range of learning activities organised into courses. Pupils and Teachers alike are given login access to the Moodle and then enrolled on "courses" relevant to them. Typical activities include: assignment, **quizzes**, hot potato questionnaire, **forum**, chat, messages, RSS feeds, Wiki or SCORM content. Typical resources include: files, links or html pages.



Teachers can mark and review assignments, view and download answers and results, control timing of events, block and monitor access.

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Individuality

Moodle is highly adaptable, being built from 'blocks' which can be chosen and structured in whichever way best suits your institution. Each **school's Moodle can be very different** yet all are based on a master Moodle

Security

No more USB pen drives! Store all the information your teachers need on Moodle. **The information will be secure and encrypted but, will still be accessible from anywhere!**

Modular

Moodle is modular in construction and can readily be extended by creating plug-in's for specific new functionality. Moodle's infrastructure supports many types of plug-in.

Individual Learning Plans (ILP)

Individual learning plans form a 'route map' of how a learner will get from their starting point on a learning journey to the desired end point.

e-portfolio

Allow your pupils to maintain a **personal portfolio** of work online which is accessible from anywhere.

Pedagogical approach

The stated philosophy of Moodle includes a constructivist and social constructionist approach to education, emphasizing that learners (and not just teachers) can contribute to the educational experience in many ways.

There is no catch!

Moodle is free, open, and available to all under the GPL license.