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Steps to Improve Accessibility in QMplus Using the Brickfield Accessibility+ Tool

Improving accessibility ensures that all students can access learning materials effectively, including those who use assistive technologies.






1 Check the Accessibility Report

- Go to your **QMplus** module page
- Click **More**
- Select **Accessibility+ Report**

Brickfield automatically scans the module and highlights accessibility issues.

2 Understand the Issues

Brickfield identifies common accessibility problems in:

-  **Images** – missing ALT text
-  **Links** – non-descriptive link text
-  **Text** – heading structure and formatting
-  **Tables** – structural issues
-  **Media** – missing captions or accessibility features

3 Start with Quick Fixes

Focus first on **simple, high-impact** improvements:

- Add ALT text** to images
- Use **descriptive** link text (avoid “click here”)
- Correct **heading** structure (H1–H3 hierarchy)
- Fix basic **formatting** issues

These are the most common **issues** across modules

4 Use the Brickfield ‘Fix’ Tool

Brickfield detects accessibility issues and suggests fixes.

- Click the **Fix** icon
- **Review suggested changes**
- Apply fixes using **two approaches**:

 Always review suggested changes **before confirming fixes!**

Brickfield supports **two ways to resolve accessibility issues**

Bulk Fix Supported (Automatic Fixes)

Brickfield can automatically resolve some technical accessibility issues

✓ Formatting corrections

- Strong vs **bold**
- Emphasis vs *italic*
- Warnings for excessive **ALL CAPS** text

✓ Link-related fixes

- Non-descriptive link warnings
- Automatic “**Open in new window**” notices

✓ HTML corrections

- Invalid or deprecated tags
- Duplicate element IDs

✓ Structural improvements

- Missing semantic markup
- Basic accessibility metadata




Manual Fix Required (Academic Judgement)

These issues require **human judgement and manual editing**.

- ✓ Write meaningful **ALT text** for images
- ✓ Improve **heading structure** and content organisation
- ✓ Adjust **colour contrast** for readability
- ✓ Add **table headers and media captions**
- ✓ Explain **abbreviations, symbols, or emojis**

5 Maintain Accessible Content

Small accessibility improvements can make a **big difference for students**.

-  Use clear **heading structure**
-  Provide meaningful **descriptions**
-  Ensure accessible **content formats**

Accessible modules support inclusive learning for all students.

