**Creating a Tackk online discussion**

Tackk is a web application that allows you to generate online discussions and blogs that can be embedded in websites or the Blackboard VLE.

**Tasks:**

1. Go to [www.tackk.com](http://www.tackk.com).
2. Register for an account by entering your Email and generating a username and password.



1. After registering, you will be asked to enter profile information – much of which can be skipped (you may need to indicated **TEACHER** as an account type). At the end of this process, you will be ready to create your first Tackk – click on the green pencil button and scroll down the options until you find the **CHAT** option.



1. After selecting the **CHAT** option, type a discussion topic or question you wish students to engage with.



1. Once you have entered a relevant question, you are ready to embed your discussion into Blackboard (or a website). Click on the **Options** icon and choose **Private** (this will stop the discussion board being found by search engines).



Click on the **Share** option, then select the **Publish** button at the bottom of the column, followed by clicking the **Embed** button.



1. Copy the **embed code** at the bottom of the pop-up window – this is now ready to be pasted into Blackboard.



**Embedding Tackk into Blackboard.**

In **Blackboard**, click next to the area you wish to embed the code, then click on the **Edit** option.



Click on the **HTML** option and paste in the **embed code**.

