

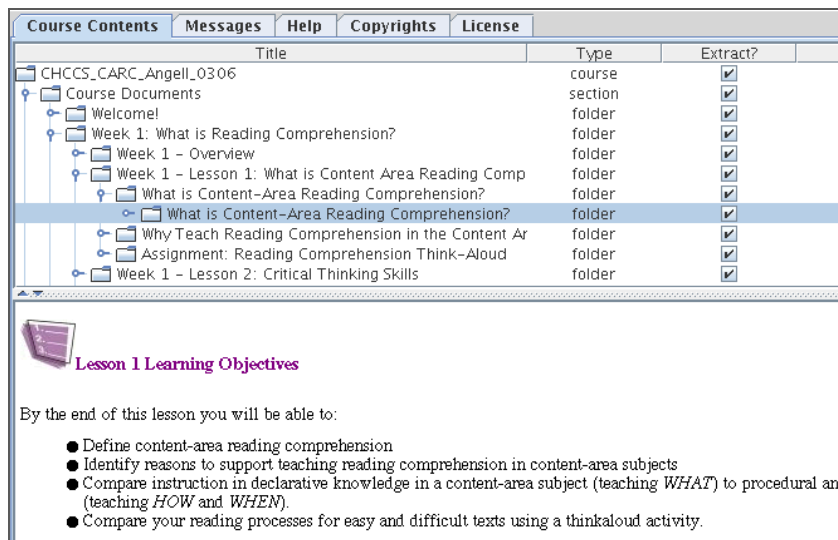
About bFree: Blackboard Course Extractor

What is bFree?

bFree is a free tool developed by the IT staff at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill that extracts the content and organization from a Blackboard course "Export" (or "Archive") zip file. **bFree** creates either a web site or a folder hierarchy with the extracted information. The web site or the folders exhibit the same structure and names as the original Blackboard course. However, the site created by **bFree** is not an exact replica of the Blackboard site; certain parts of the Blackboard site (e.g., the Grade Center data, tests, blog content) are not extracted from the export/archive file.

bFree allows instructors to:

- retrieve texts and other materials that would otherwise be unavailable outside of Blackboard
- produce independent course web sites with the same content and structure of their present Blackboard course sites
- preview and extract individual files and other content such as links, images, documents, discussion board forums (stripped of author identity), and wiki content
- share the course materials or web site with others



Title	Type	Extract?
CHCCS_CARC_Angell_0306	course	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Course Documents	section	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Welcome!	folder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Week 1: What is Reading Comprehension?	folder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Week 1 - Overview	folder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Week 1 - Lesson 1: What is Content Area Reading Comp	folder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Why Teach Reading Comprehension in the Content Ar	folder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Assignment: Reading Comprehension Think-Along	folder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Week 1 - Lesson 2: Critical Thinking Skills	folder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Lesson 1 Learning Objectives

By the end of this lesson you will be able to:

- Define content-area reading comprehension
- Identify reasons to support teaching reading comprehension in content-area subjects
- Compare instruction in declarative knowledge in a content-area subject (teaching *WHAT*) to procedural and (teaching *HOW* and *WHEN*).
- Compare your reading processes for easy and difficult texts using a thinkaloud activity.

How do I get started with bFree?

bFree can be downloaded from <http://its2.unc.edu/tl/tli/bFree/>. It is easy to install and runs on both Mac OS X and Windows XP. To use **bFree**, you must first export or archive a Blackboard course and save the export/archive .zip file on your local computer. For additional assistance, please contact bb@hunter.cuny.edu.