

Hotspot

The Hotspot widget gives you the ability to turn a picture into an information resource. It is ideal for creating a space for students to investigate through looking and clicking. You can include text and weblinks as part of the image. And this allows you to use the hotspot as an image menu.

To use:

- drag the hotspot widget onto a page – you can find it in the Activities category.
- Upload your image. The picture will expand to fill the screen.
- To add a hotspot, click and drag a box where you would like to place one.
- Once drawn, clicking on the box will open a pop-up where you can add information.

Along with a title, you can add an image, audio file or video. You can add formatted text and you can include a link in the pop-over to a site in Frog, page on the current site, web address or file in FrogDrive.

Alternatively, if you want to use the hotspot as an image menu, you can make it a direct link, using this toggle. With this feature the pop-over will not appear, instead clicking on the hotspot will trigger the link.

When you have added all your hotspots, click the close button in the top-left corner.

The hotspot image size is governed by its height. The width will automatically fill the available space, unless you specify a height – at which point, the width will maintain the correct aspect ratio.

There are two more options in the widget settings.

Use a control comes into its own if you use the site in Presentation Mode – in this configuration, the presentation mode's next button will not function, until all hotspots within the image are clicked on. This can be a useful way to mandate information is taken in.

To find out more about Presentation Mode, take a look at the video in the Sites video guides.

Pop-out viewer opens the hotspot as a full screen resource – which can be handy if you have a lot of information on a page, but want to emphasise the hotspot.