

# What is Respondus Lockdown Browser and Monitor

Respondus LockDown Browser is a custom browser that locks down the testing environment in Canvas. When students use LockDown Browser to access a quiz, they are unable to print, copy, visit other websites, access other applications, or close a quiz until it is submitted for grading. Quizzes created for use with LockDown Browser cannot be accessed with standard browsers.



LockDown Browser works much like a standard browser, but some options have been removed or work differently. The list below highlights some of these differences. *(see next page)*

The screenshot shows a Canvas quiz page titled "Syllabus Agreement Quiz- Requires Respondus LockDown Browser 2". The interface includes a left-hand navigation menu with options like Home, Announcements, Modules, Syllabus, Grades, People, Panopto Recordings, and Collaborate Ultra. The main content area displays "Quiz Instructions" for "Question 1", which is a multiple-choice question worth 1 point. The question text is "Syllabus Agreement Quiz- Requires Respondus LockDown Browser" and the options are a, b, c, and d. A "Submit Quiz" button is visible at the bottom right of the question area. Five numbered callouts (1-5) are overlaid on the image: 1 points to the browser's address bar, 2 points to the breadcrumb navigation, 3 points to the "Quiz Instructions" header, 4 points to the question text, and 5 points to the left-hand navigation menu.

[1] **Modified Toolbar** - the condensed toolbar includes only Forward, Back, Refresh and Stop functions.

[2] **Assessment Mode** - assessments are shown full-screen and cannot be minimized, resized, or exited until submitted for grading.

[3] **Disabled Controls** - all printing, keystroke combinations, screen grab, function keys, and right-click menus have been disabled.

[4] **Links** - links to other web servers do not compromise the secure testing environment.

[5] **Blocked Features & Applications** - the Start button (Windows), system tray, and menu bars have been removed. Hundreds of screen capture, messaging, screensharing and network monitoring applications are blocked.



Some institutions additionally license Respondus Monitor, a webcam feature for LockDown Browser that records students during online, non-proctored quizzes. When this feature is enabled for a quiz, students are required to use a webcam and microphone with LockDown Browser. After the quiz is complete, an instructor can review details of the assessment, even the recorded videos.