

## Accessibility

### Introduction

Within Moodle there are two functions that enable you to change the background colour, font size and font settings. You can also use a spellchecker, dictionary, text to speech, readability and more.

The first function is changing the background colour of Moodle across the whole of the site within your Profile settings and the second function is an accessibility block that is added to a course site that will allow you to change more features.

### Changing the background colour across Moodle

The image shows a Moodle user interface with three numbered steps for accessing profile settings:

1. Click on your name in the top right hand corner of the screen
2. Click on "Profile"
3. Click on "Edit profile"

The screenshot displays the user's profile page for Jane Russell, including navigation menus, a search bar, and a 'User details' section with an 'Edit profile' link.

## Jane Russell

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- General
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Page colour  4. Select page colour

5. Click on "Update profile"

There are required fields in this form marked \*.

Courses ► Preferences

### Jane Russell

- Administration ☰
- Site administration ►
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#### User account

- Edit profile
- Preferred language
- Forum preferences
- Editor preferences
- Security keys
- Messaging

#### Roles

- This user's role assignments
- Assign roles relative to this user
- Permissions
- Check permissions

#### Portfolios

- Configure
- Transfer logs

#### Blogs

- Blog preferences
- External blogs
- Register an external blog

#### Badges

- Manage badges
- Badge preferences
- Backpack settings

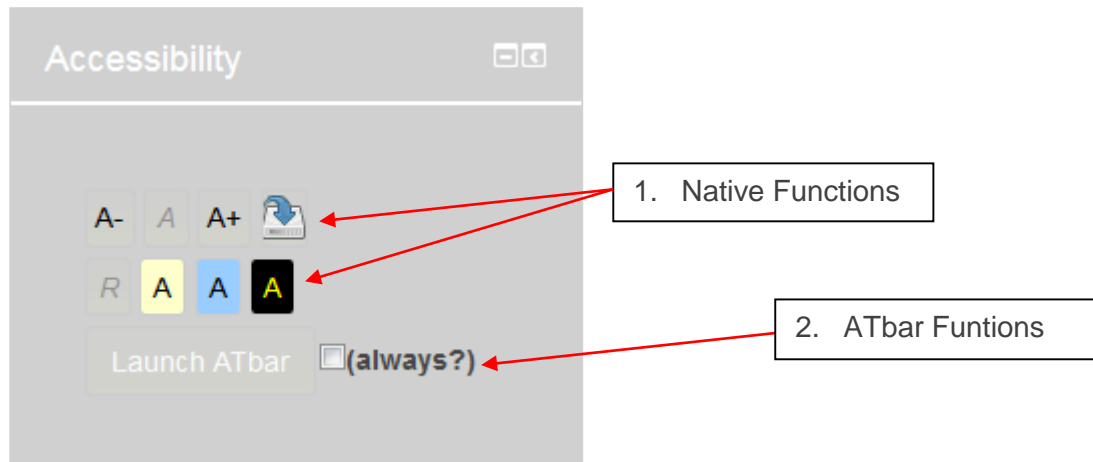
6. Moodle will turn to the colour you selected.

**Note:** To revert back to the default colour follow the steps above and select page colour default.

## Accessibility Block

The Accessibility block allows users to customise Moodle pages to meet their accessibility requirements. The block will need to be added to the course site by the teacher responsible for setting up the course. Once this has been added you will be able to use the Accessibility block and set up the course to your requirements.

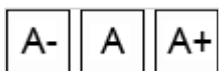
The block's functionality is split into 2 areas: Native functions, and those functions provided by the ATbar.



### Native Functions

There are 8 buttons on the block itself.

The 3 buttons on the top row displaying an A control text size:



The bottom row contains 4 buttons, each displaying a different colour scheme:



To save your settings for this course click the save settings button:



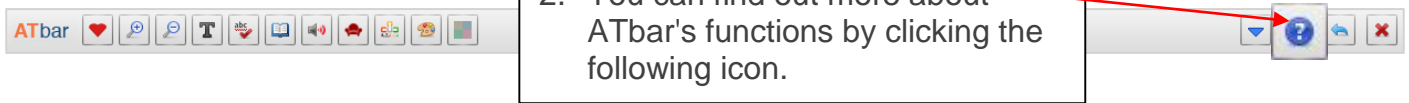
### Accessibility Tool Bar (ATbar) Functions

At the bottom of the block, you'll see a button labelled Launch ATbar and a checkbox labelled (always?)



1. Clicking the button will launch ATbar and hide the native controls.

ATbar has several advanced Accessibility functions on top of the ability to change page styles, including Text-To-Speech and Dictionary lookup.



**Note:** that if you change styles with ATbar, they will not persist between pages as they do with the native functions, nor are you currently able to save them. Ticking the checkbox will cause ATbar to be automatically loaded each time you visit a page containing the Accessibility block.

## Further Support

Additional support is on hand should you require help. Contact the Technology Enhanced Learning team at [elearning-support@arts.ac.uk](mailto:elearning-support@arts.ac.uk)



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