This guide will walk you through adding digital textbooks or other content from CourseSmart to your Canvas course. Before you begin, you will need to have a basic understanding of the Canvas tool. If you have yet to take a 101 Canvas Training course, consider taking one today.

To start the process of adding content to your Canvas course, open the modules section of your course and add a new item to a new or existing module.

Select “External Tool” from the drop down menu on the new item screen as shown here.

Once you select “External Tool” the screen will change to show many different tools. Select the option for assigning your CourseSmart Textbook as shown here and then press the “Add Item” button at the bottom.

Once you have added the new item to your module, you will be presented with a link to assign a CourseSmart Textbook. Click on the link to be taken to CourseSmart. Once there, you will need to click “Search” in the green box to open your bookshelf.

If this is your first time using CourseSmart, you will need to return to the main help page and follow the guide for first time setup instructions. This guide will help you sign into the system for the first time and walk you through adding content to your bookshelf.
Select a textbook from the list to bring yourself to a screen like this. Before saving the link, you have the option of directly entering the page number within the text where you would like your students to start reading.

Select save to add the link within the selected module.

Once added, the link within the module will be renamed to match the name of the resource added.