

## Moodle Moment -Changing Domain Name

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I often come across issues with Moodle when changing domain names. This happens when placing Moodle in a staging environment with a temporary domain name, and then moving it into production.

The problem is that Moodle by default loads images with an **absolute URL**. An absolute URL specifies the whole URL ... ie

**<http://www.mydomain.com/moodle/myimage.jpg>**

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A better method would be to use a **relative URL**. This would just use the location of the file on your server ( in the example above, **/moodle/myimage.jpg**

), and leave the browser to remember which server using the current domain. But this has to be done manually for each image loaded.

To solve this issue, there is a useful script that has been written by the Moodle gurus, and available for use by a user with administrator rights.

**<http://www.mydomain/admin/replace.php>**

Replace the [www.mydomain](http://www.mydomain) with your own site address, and then fill in the details asked, and all is sorted in an instant, or two.

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