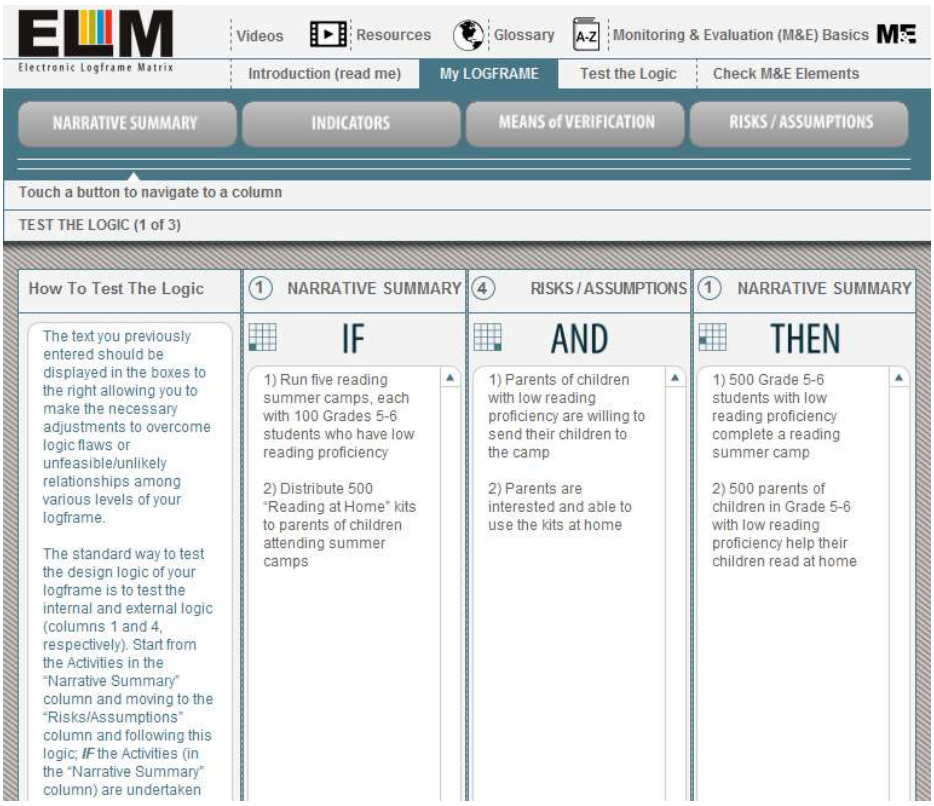
The Electronic Logframe Matrix (ELM)



The LOGFRAME is a standard analytical product of the Logical Framework Approach (LFA), it consists of a matrix with four columns and a number of rows, which summarize selected aspect of an activity design.

Most major donors will likely provide you with a custom logframe template in their own preferred format, which is often not modifiable and presents a rigid framework against which your performance is assessed. In such instances, logframes begin to resemble an accounting rather than a program design tool. If the donor does not provide you with a custom logframe template, then you may use as a starting point, the electronic logframe matrix (ELM), which vastly simplifies the process of generating a logframe; the ELM integrates a standard logframe template.

When preparing a logframe, one of the most challenging columns to complete is **Risks/Assumptions**. The standard way to check whether your Risks/Assumptions make sense is to start from the Activities in the "Narrative Summary" column and moving to the "Risks/Assumptions" column and following this logic; IF the Activities (in the "Narrative Summary" column) are undertaken AND the Activities (in the "Risks/Assumptions" column) hold true, THEN the Output (in the "Narrative Summary" column) will be produced. The ELM guides you through the process of checking the design logic of your logframe (see screenshot above) allowing you to make the necessary adjustments to overcome logic flaws, or unfeasible / unlikely relationships among various levels of your logframe

The Logical Framework provides the basis for continuous monitoring and evaluation. It must therefore be kept under regular review and amended whenever the project changes course.

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