Faculty: Display Letter Grade in Gradebook

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It can be helpful to display a letter grade in conjunction with the course total in the gradebook so that students can easily see where they stand throughout the term. Faculty can see final grades at the end of the term—but only if editing is turned off in their course! (See note below.)

Notes

- By default, an A in Moodle starts at 93%. To customize the grade scale, contact CATL for assistance.
- Students can always see their letter grade, but letters are **only** displayed to instructors when editing is turned **off**. (Silly Moodle!)

Display Letter Grades

To display a letter grade with the total score:

1. Click on the **Grades** tab at the top of your course page, open the gradebook options pull-down menu and select **Gradebook setup**.
2. Click on the **Cell actions** icon associated with the course total at the top of the gradebook table to **Edit category**.
3. Click on the **Show more….** link.
4. Scroll down to the **Category total** options area, open the **Grade display type** pull-down menu and select **Real (letter)**.
5. **Save changes**.

Grader report ⌄

✓ **Grader report**

Grade history

Outcomes report

Overview report

Single view

Grade summary

User report

Setup

Gradebook setup ①

Course grade settings

Preferences: Grader report

More

Scales

Outcomes

Grade letters

Import

Export

Name		Status	Actions
⌄ 4.1 Upgrade Course		Natural **Exclude empty grades**	••• ②
↕ ⊞ ASSIGNMENT Homework 1			Edit category Hide Lock Reset weights
↕ ⊞ QUIZ Quiz 1			

Edit category ✕

Category name [   ]

Aggregation ❓ [Natural ⇕]

☑ Exclude empty grades ❓

Keep the highest ❓ [0]

Drop the lowest ❓ [0]

☐ Hidden ❓
☐ Locked ❓

Show more... ③

[Cancel] [**Save**]

⌄ **Category total**

Category total name [   ]

Item info [   ]

ID number [   ]

Grade type [Value ⇕]

Scale [Use no scale ⇕]

Maximum grade [100]

Minimum grade [0]

Grade to pass [0.00]

Grade display type ④ [Default (Real) ⇕]

Overall decimal places [Default (2) ⇕]

☐ Hidden ❓

Hidden until ☐ Enable [4 ⇕] [Dec] [11 ⇕] [42 ⇕] 📅

☐ Locked ❓

Lock after ☐ Enable [4 ⇕] [Dec] [11 ⇕] [42 ⇕] 📅

Default (Real)
Letter
Letter (percentage)
Letter (real)
Percentage
Percentage (letter)
Percentage (real)
Real
Real (letter)
Real (percentage)

⑤ [**Save changes**] [Cancel]