Faculty: Find Missing Assignment Files

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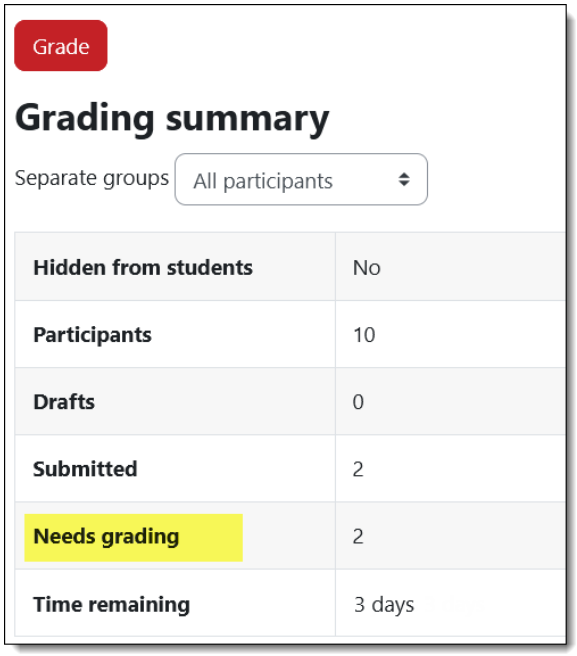
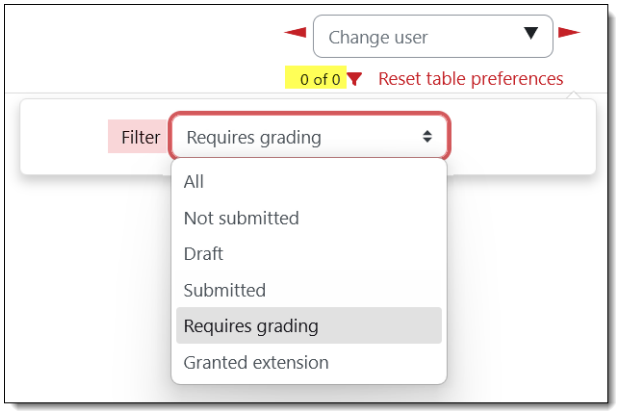
A funny thing happened to me on the way to grading.....

.... and it could happen to you!

Moodle let me know that I had submissions that needed grading — I had set up the assignment link to notify me when submissions were made and the submissions also showed up in the Recent activity block. So, I opened the assignment link and confirmed that yes, indeed, I did have assignments to grade:



So, I clicked on the **Grade** link and my "**Requires grading**" filter said I had no submissions to grade.



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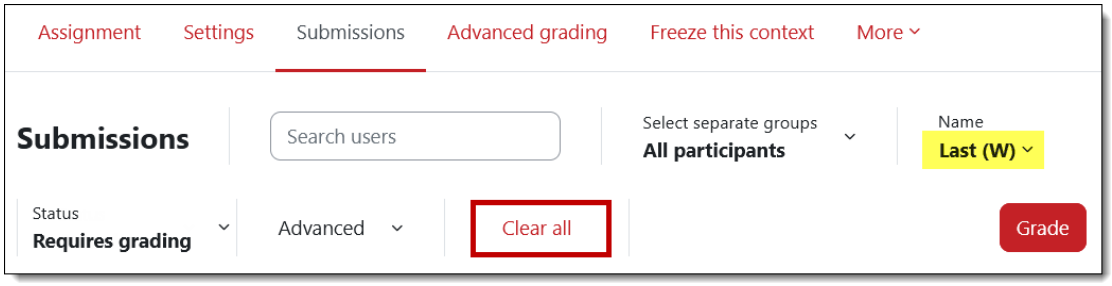
But how could that be! I knew that I had new submissions to review. Moodle told me three different ways that I had new submissions! Where were they?!

And this could happen to you (hence this article!).

What I figured out was that the last time I had looked at assignments in my course, I filtered the assignment results by W to locate a submission turned in with a specific learner. What Moodle does, it turns out, is maintain that filter **until I intentionally remove it**. Thus, Moodle was doing exactly what I had told it to do: filter out all of the assignments that need grading.... submitted by people whose last name starts with W. And there weren't any!



There are two ways to fix this: open the pull-down menu under **Name** and select **All** for first and last name or click on the **Clear all** link (you'll need to reset the **Status** setting). As soon as I removed the restriction, voilà, I had two submissions to review.