Control Visibility of Grade Items in Moodle

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Moodle allows you to delay the release of students' grades manually, or at a scheduled time. This can be useful if you are grading assignments over a series of days and want all students to see their grades only after all grading has been completed.

Manually Hide Grades for an Entire Assignment or Activity

- 1. Open Gradebook setup.
- 2. The Gradebook setup > Setup Tab > Gradebook Setup Tab will open. In the row for the grade item or category you wish to hide, under the Actions column, click Edit, a drop-down menu will appear. From the drop-down menu, select Hide. The grade item's color will be dimmed to indicate the item is now hidden.
- 3. When you are ready to show the grades for this grade item to students, navigate back to the Gradebook Setup page and locate the grade item you want to show. Under the Actions column, click Edit, and from the drop-down menu, select Show. The grade item will change back to its original color to indicate the item is now visible to students.

Additional Considerations for Hiding Grades

Keep in mind that when you hide a Moodle Assignment column in the gradebook, the grade is hidden throughout your course (even when the student looks at their assignment submission). Although the grade (as well as any feedback comments or files you have added) will be hidden, the assignment activity link will still be visible.

Note: When you hide a Turnitin assignment grade in gradebook, students can still see the grade in the My Submissions tab or the Turnitin assignment (as long as it is past the post date). For more information, see the Turnitin Overview article.

Release Grades to be Viewed at a Scheduled Time

Another option is to set grades for a particular assignment to automatically become visible to students at a scheduled time.

1. Open Gradebook setup

- 2. The Gradebook setup > Setup Tab > Gradebook Setup Tab will open. For the grade item for which you wish to set a release time, under the Actions column, click Edit, then from the drop-down menu, select Edit Settings. The Edit Grade Item page will open.
- 3. Under the Category Total heading, click Show more. Additional options will appear.
- 4. For Hidden Until, select the Enable check box. The date/time fields will become editable.
- 5. Set the date and time for when you want the grades to be released.
- 6. Click Save changes to finish. You will be returned to the Gradebook Setup page.
- 7. Turn Editing Off for the course.