

How do I grade a graded discussion in SpeedGrader?

You can grade and provide feedback on [graded discussion](#) submissions and graded group discussion submissions in SpeedGrader. Discussion replies will display individually, but the replies can also be viewed in the context of the full discussion in SpeedGrader.

Notes:

- When Discussion Checkpoints is enabled, the full discussion thread is displayed, with students' individual replies highlighted—even in non-checkpointed discussions.
- You will not be notified in the Gradebook of additional posts to discussions after a grade has been entered.

Open Discussions

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In Course Navigation, click the **Discussions** link.

Open Discussion

[Open Discussion](#)

Click the name of a discussion.

Open SpeedGrader

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Click the **Options** icon [1] and then click the **SpeedGrader** link [2].

Select Student

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Use the [student list](#) to locate a student submission.

View Submission

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View the student's discussion replies. Older replies are listed at the top with newer replies listed below.

View Full Discussion

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To view the discussion replies in the context of the full discussion, click the **view the full discussion** link [1].

If the discussion replies are part of a graded group discussion, you can view the discussion replies in the context of the full group discussion by clicking the **view the full group discussion** link [2].

Note: To return to SpeedGrader from the full discussion, use your internet browser's back button.

Grade Submission

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To enter a grade for the submission, enter the grade in the **Grade** field [1].

If you [added a rubric to the discussion](#), you can view the rubric by clicking the **View Rubric** button [2].

Grade Discussion Checkpoint Submissions

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If you enabled the [Assign graded checkpoints](#) option when you created the discussion, more options display in SpeedGrader.

When viewing discussions in SpeedGrader the header remains sticky [1], a link allows instructors to switch back to individual posts [2], student navigation buttons include First, Last, Previous, and Next [3] and instructors can view the number of replies added compared to the required number of replies [4].

Default Discussion View

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In SpeedGrader Options, instructors can set the **Default Discussion View**.

Add Feedback

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In the Assignment Comments section, you can [post comments](#) to the student. Any comments that have been made by the student appear in this section, as well as in the [Submission Comments filter](#) in Conversations.

To add a comment to the assignment, enter text in the **Comment** field [1].

To use a [comment from the Comment Library](#), click the **Comment Library** icon [2].

To attach a file to the comment, click the **Attach** button [3].

To record a video or audio comment, click the **Media** button [4].

If you are using Chrome, you can use the [speech recognition tool](#) to leave comments [5].

Note: If the assignment is supported by Assignment Enhancements, the Assignment Comments section may display as Comments for this Attempt.

Save Grade & Feedback

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To save the student's grade and any added feedback, click the **Submit** button.

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