Course Content – Tests – Editing and Applying Test Settings

Once a test has been created in Blackboard or published to Blackboard from Respondus, it may need to be edited and instructors will need to choose the settings for the test. The steps below will walk through how to edit a test and apply test settings before making it available to students.

Navigate to the Test and Review Test Instructions

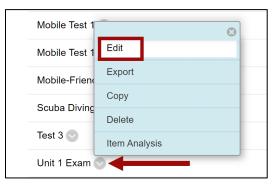
- a. Navigate to the Blackboard course.
- b. From the Control Panel, select Course Tools.
- c. Select Tests, Surveys, and Pools.



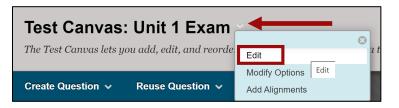
d. Select Tests.

Tests, Surveys, and Pools
Tests Tests are sets of questions that are graded to measure student performance. Once a test is created here, it must be deployed within a content folder before students can take the test. Test results are reviewed in the Grade Center. Note that some question types are not automatically graded.
Surveys Surveys are not graded, and student responses are anonymous. They are useful for gathering data from students that is not used to evaluate student performance. Surveys must be deployed in a content folder for students to respond to the survey.
Pools Pools are sets of questions that can be added to any Test or Survey. Pools are useful for storing questions and reusing them in more than one Test or Survey.

e. Locate the test and select the context menu next to the test name. Choose **Edit** from the list.



f. The *Test Canvas* page will appear. Select the context menu next to the test name and then choose **Edit**.



g. The *Test Information* page will appear. Navigate to the Instructions content editor and enter the instructions for the test.

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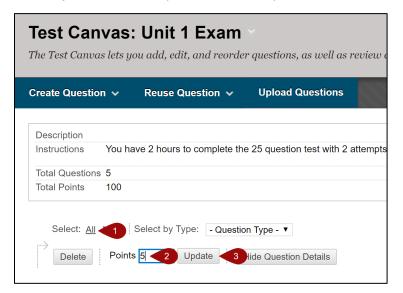
h. Select **Submit**. The Test Canvas page will re-appear.

Review the Test Questions Point Value/Total Points

Review the total points currently available for the test as well as the individual question point values. These are usually the same by default. The steps below walk through editing the point value for all questions at once, if needed. Individual test question point values can be modified by editing the value assigned to each question.

To edit the value for all questions at once:

- 1. From the *Test Canvas* page, select the **Select All** link.
- 2. Enter a value in the *Points* field.
- 3. Select Update. All of the questions will be updated.



Verify or Set the Test Settings

- 1. From the *Test Canvas* page, select the context menu next to the title.
- 2. Select **Modify Options**. The *Test Options* page will appear.

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3. Choose your settings from the available test options (described below).

NOTE: If the **Modify Options** menu option is not available then the test has not been deployed. To deploy the test and set the test options follow these steps.

- Navigate to the content area and folder location where the test should be deployed.
- Choose Assessments from the top menu bar.
- Choose Test.
- Select the test from the **Existing Test** list.
- Choose **Submit**. This will load the test options (described below). Continue through the review process.

Test Information

- a. **Content Link Description** Enter a link description that will appear in the Content Area along with the test link.
- b. Show test description to students before they begin the test This option will allow students to view the test description before beginning the test.
- c. **Open the Test in a New Window** Select **Yes** to open the test in a new window.

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Test Availability

a. **Make available to students** – Instructors can choose **Yes** to this option once they are ready for students to begin taking the test. If the test is still being created or hasn't been previewed, choose **No** until the test is ready to be accessed by students.

NOTE: If the test is not made available to students, they will not be able to access it regardless of availability dates.

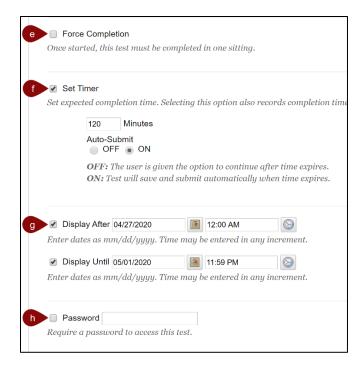
- b. Add a new Announcement for this Test Select Yes to automatically post a new announcement letting students know that the test is available.
- c. Multiple Attempts Instructors can allow students to take the test more than once.
 - Allow Unlimited Attempts Select this option if students will have no specified number of times they can take the test.
 - Number of Attempts Select this option to specify the number of times students can take the test.
- d. **Score attempts using** If *Multiple Attempts* are enabled, the instructor can choose which attempt will be used in the Grade Center calculations. Select the drop-down list to make a choice.

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- e. Force Completion This option will force students to complete the test in one sitting. Once they start the test, they must finish it. If they have time left, they still cannot exit the test and return.
 NOTE: If students leave the test for any reason force completion will not allow them to resume the test. This includes accidently closing the tab or if the user looses their internet connection while taking the exam. If this were to occur the student would have to work with the instructor to determine if another attempt can be made.
- f. **Set Timer** Enable this option to give students a specified amount of time to take the test. Students will be able to see how much time they have to take the test, and will see the timer count down while taking the test.
 - a. **Auto-Submit** If the timer is enabled, instructors can choose to have test automatically saved and submitted once time has expired.

NOTE: If auto-stubmit is not used the student may continue the exam once the timer expires. The submission will be marked Late in the grade center and will require the instructor to accept the grade even if all questions are automatically graded. This gives the instructor the opportunity to apply any point penalties or feedback to a test submission that is late.

- g. Display After/Until Use these options to determine how long the test is visible to students.
- h. **Password** A password will be required to access the test. The instructor must enter a password in the password field, and provide it to the students to access the test.



Test Availability Exceptions

Instructors can give certain students a different time frame to access the test from the rest of the students. For example, an instructor may need to give a student that requires special accomidations more time to take the test.

- 1. Select Add User or Group.
- 2. Choose the student(s) who will receive additional time.
- 3. Choose the availability options for the specified students.
 - a. Attempts Select the number of attempts allowed.
 - b. Timer Enter the duration of time.

NOTE: The timer option will only be visible if it is enabled for the test.

c. **Availability** – Select the calendar to enter the dates and times for when the test will be available.

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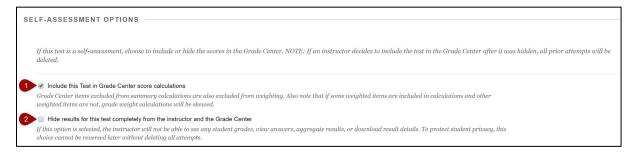
Due Date

If a due date is set, students can see the test in their *Notification* modules, calendar and in the Grade Center. **NOTE**: Select the checkbox for *Do not allow students to start the Test if the due date has passed* to prevent students from starting the test after the due date.

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Set the date the assessment is due. Optionally, do not allow students to take a test once the due date has passe	ed.
Submissions are accepted after this date, but are marked Late .	
Due Date Enter dates as mm/dd/yyyy. Time may be entered in any increment.	
Do not allow students to start the Test if the due date has passed. Students will be unable to start the Test if this option is selected.	Self-Assessment Optic

- a. Include this test in Grade Center calculations Select this option to include the test in the Grade Center.
- b. Hide results for this test completely from the instructor and the Grade Center Instructors can hide this test score from themselves and from the Grade Center calculations. The display in the Grade Center will read Complete/Incomplete. Instructors can't see students' answers to questions but students can view their own scores.

NOTE: If the instructor chooses to change this option later to view the students' test attempts, all previous attempts will be deleted.



Show Test Results and Feedback to Students

The options in this section allows instructors to choose what students will see after they complete the test. Select from the following options:

- 1. When: Choose when to show results and feedback to the students. Depending on the selection, the additional options may appear.
- 2. Score per Question: Show the score on each question to the students.
- 3. Answers: Show all answers to the student, including correct and/or submitted answers.
- 4. Feedback: Show instructor feedback to the students.
- 5. Show Incorrect Questions: Identify questions answered incorrectly and show them to the students.

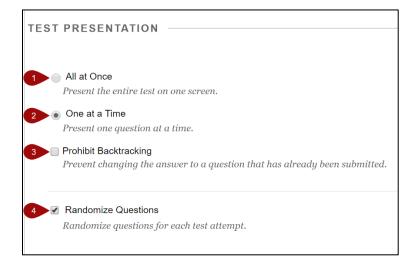
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NOTE: Instructors may want to delay providing correct answers and feedback until the testing period is over, especially if students are allowed multiple attempts. Instructors can manually release this feedback once all students have taken the test or after the due date has passed.

Test Presentation

The options below determine how the test is presented to the student.

- 1. All at Once All test questions will appear on one page.
- 2. **One at a Time** One test question will appear at a time. Students will have to navigate to the next page. Displaying questions one at a time makes it harder for students to select and copy the entire exam.
- 3. Prohibit Backtracking Students are not allowed to go backwards to change answers.
- 4. Randomize Questions Questions will appear in a random order for each test attempt.



5. Once all selections have been made, select **Submit**.