

What You Need to Know About Quick Checks

The new curriculum courses from Pearson Online & Blended Learning (OBL) and Connections Academy® provide an innovative approach to assessments. Quick Check assessments after each lesson now replace quizzes in order to provide more timely data that teachers can use to better support students. As part of this update, gradebook weights were adjusted for all course assessments, including Quick Checks.

Below is an example for a grade 6, semester A course. The gradebook weights were set by looking at the total number of each assessment type in the course and setting the gradebook weights to ensure appropriate percentages were met:

ASSESSMENT TYPE	NUMBER OF ASSESSMENTS	GRADEBOOK WEIGHT
Participation	N/A	5%
Sample Work	Teacher's Discretion	10%
Quick Checks	40	20%
Tests	6	35%
Portfolios	2	25%
Discussions	1	5%

What does this mean for Quick Checks?

Using the calculations in the table above, each Quick Check accounts for less than 1 percent of the student's overall final grade.

Quick Checks in grades 3–5 and enabling “Check Answer” feature

It's important to note that Quick Checks counting toward the final grade for students in grades 3–5 is a new element of these courses. Pearson OBL has received feedback about this change, along with ways to improve it. We're now working to deliver a “Check Answer” feature that will allow students in grades 3–5 multiple attempts to answer the Quick Check items. A date for the release of this new feature will be coming soon.



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