Subjective Scoring Overview

Subjective scoring is a powerful tool you can use to add assessment items that are not easily scored via a bubble form to a traditional Scantron test. For example, you may want to include students’ scores on an end-of-unit report as part of their unit grade, in addition to the multiple-choice test, and show them that total score on the test form. Including this scoring enables you to expand the types of assessment included in test scores, and can help give students a more complete picture of their performance on the subject matter.

Test forms that support subjective scoring include an area where you can provide a cumulative or total score on each student test form that the Scantron Score adds to the student’s total score. You must manually add this score to each student’s test form.

This form area looks like this:

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SUBJECTIVE SCORE
INSTRUCTOR USE ONLY
90  80  70  60
40  30  20  10
  8  7  6  5
  3  2  1  0
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Fill in no more than one bubble per row, which gives you up to 163 points (100 + 50 + 9 + 4 = 163) you can assign to students.

Some ideas for using subjective scoring:

• Add a total score on a unit’s worth of lab work to the unit final
• Include a score for one high-point essay question on the test, which students complete on loose-leaf paper or in essay books
• Provide a score for an oral exam segment, report, or presentation
• Include a score for a special project
• Include a total score for several smaller essay questions, which students complete on loose-leaf paper or in essay books
CAUTION: If you include several smaller scores and total them, make sure the total does not equal more than the points the form can support (163).

TIP: If your total score must equal more than 163, consider adding a percentage (score/total number of possible points) or a grading rubric score (90-100 = 5, 70-89 = 4, etc., similar to how Advanced Placement Exams are scored) instead of a raw score.

The following forms support subjective scoring:

815-E Quizzstrip
825-E Quizzstrip
850-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
865-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
875-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
881-E 50 Question Answer Sheet
882-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
882-E-LOVAS 100 Question Answer Sheet
882-N-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
883-E 50 Question Answer Sheet
884-E 200 Question Answer Sheet
885-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
886-E 100 Question Mini Essay Book
886-E-LOVAS 100 Question Mini Essay Book
888-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
889-E 50 Question Answer Sheet
890-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
895-E 50 Question Answer Sheet
899-E 50 Question Answer Sheet
Quick Reference Card

982-E 100 Question Answer Sheet
984-E 200 Question Answer Sheet