

What is SpeedGrader?

As an instructor, SpeedGrader allows you to view and grade student assignment submissions in one place using a simple point scale or complex rubric. Canvas accepts a variety of document formats and even URLs as assignment submissions. Some document assignments can be marked up for feedback directly within the submission. You can also provide feedback to your students with text or media comments.

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When Would I Use SpeedGrader?

You can use SpeedGrader to:

- Sort submissions by student and [hide student names](#) for anonymous grading
- [View submission details](#) for each student, including resubmitted assignments
- Use [rubrics](#) to assign grades
- Leave [feedback](#) for your students
- Track your [grading progress](#) and [hide assignments](#) while grading
- View submissions in [moderated assignments](#)

Access SpeedGrader

You can access SpeedGrader in several ways:

- Access via the [Gradebook](#)
- Access via [Assignment](#), [Quiz](#), or [Graded Discussion](#)

View SpeedGrader



The screenshot shows the SpeedGrader interface for a 'Research Paper' assignment. The top navigation bar includes the assignment title, due date (Dec 9 at 11:59pm - BIO 101), and student information (Emily Boone). The main content area is divided into five numbered sections:

- 1**: Document preview showing the 'Unit 1 Assignment' with an objective and requirements.
- 2**: Submission selection dropdown showing 'Dec 8 at 12:07pm'.
- 3**: Grade assignment section showing 'Grade 18 out of 20' and a 'View Rubric' button.
- 4**: Assignment Comments section with an 'Add a Comment' input field.
- 5**: A 'Submit' button at the bottom right.

For each student, SpeedGrader has five areas:

1. View student submissions (text entries, website URLs, media recordings, and/or file uploads). Preview .doc, .docx, .ppt, .pptx, and .pdf submissions using [Crocodoc](#); review other file format submissions using the document previewer or Google Preview
2. Assign a grade based on your preferred assessment method (points or percentage)
3. View Rubric to assist with grading (if one is added to the assignment)
4. View comments created by you or the student about the assignment
5. Create text, video, and/or audio commentary for the student

SpeedGrader may experience decreased performance when loading student data in large courses. To learn more about SpeedGrader functionality, learn [how to use SpeedGrader](#).

Note: You can use keyboard shortcuts to navigate SpeedGrader. Press the **comma key** and a pop-up window with keyboard shortcuts will appear for keyboard navigation.