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To add a grade field to the ASSIGNMENTS table in your existing database setup, follow these steps:

Step to Alter the Table:

- 1. Open the SQL Query Tool in pgAdmin:
  - Navigate to your database, open the Query Tool.

## 2. Run the ALTER TABLE Command:

Copy and paste the following SQL command into the SQL Query Tool:

```
ALTER TABLE ASSIGNMENTS
ADD COLUMN GRADE VARCHAR(10);
```

- Click the **Execute** (▶) **button** or press **F5**.
- This will add a new column named GRADE to the ASSIGNMENTS table that can hold a grade as text up to 10 characters long.

Modify the Documentation for Future Labs:

Starting at the beginning: You will need to update the SQL command in the **Step 4: Create the Tables** section to include the GRADE column in the ASSIGNMENTS table. The updated command should look like this:

```
CREATE TABLE ASSIGNMENTS (
   ASSIGNMENT_ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
   TITLE VARCHAR(100),
   DESCRIPTION TEXT,
   DUE_DATE DATE,
   STUDENT_ID INT REFERENCES STUDENTS(STUDENT_ID),
   GRADE VARCHAR(10)
);
```