

Quizzes

How do I view Quizzes as a student?

You can view quizzes in your course by accessing the Quizzes page. Learn how to view each type of quiz that may appear in your course.

Note: Your instructor may choose to hide the Quizzes link in Course Navigation. If the Quizzes link is not available, you can still access Quizzes through other areas of Canvas.

In Course Navigation, click the **Quizzes** link.

Note: If the Quizzes link is not available in Course Navigation, you can access course quizzes through the Modules page.

Quizzes are identified by the quiz icon [1].

In the Quiz Index Page, you can view the name of each quiz [2], the availability dates for the quiz [3], the due date for the quiz [4], the number of points the quiz is worth [5], and the number of questions in the quiz [6].

Quizzes are ordered by due date. Some quizzes may not include a due date.

The first dates you may see are called availability dates. Sometimes your instructor only wants you to submit a quiz during a specified date range, so the available dates are the range of time that the quiz is accessible to you.

1. If the quiz does not have a date listed, the quiz is open; you can complete the quiz at any time during your course.
2. If the quiz says **Available until** [date], you can complete the quiz until the specified date.
3. If the quiz says **Not Available Until** [date], the quiz is locked until the specified date.
4. If the quiz says **Closed**, the quiz cannot accept quiz submissions.

If you start a quiz but do not submit it, Quizzes includes an autosubmit feature that will submit the quiz for you on the **Available until** quiz date. If a quiz does not include an Available until date, the quiz will autosubmit on the last day of the course.

Note: If the listed date is set to 12 am the last day for the assignment to be submitted is the full day before the listed date. For instance, if an assignment is Available until December 15, you can access the assignment until December 14 at 11:59 pm.

The second set of dates are the Due dates [1] for each respective quiz. Any quizzes submitted after the due date are marked as late; some instructors may deduct points for late submissions. Again, not all quizzes may include a Due date.

You can still submit late quizzes before the quiz **Available until** date (otherwise the quiz will be autosubmitted for you).

*Please be aware that the Due date may be **before or on** the Available date.*

Due dates also include a time [2]. If your instructor does not set a due time, the listed date displays the course's default due time.

How do I take a quiz?

You can easily take a quiz by accessing the Quizzes page. Depending on how your instructor set up the quiz, questions may be shown all on one page or one at a time. If you are unable to finish a quiz you may be able to resume it at a later time.

Notes:

- Your instructor may be using an upgraded quiz tool called New Quizzes in your course. If the quiz you are taking displays differently, your instructor may be using New Quizzes.
- Having multiple browser tabs or windows open while taking a quiz may cause issues when submitting answers or when completing a quiz.
- If you lose internet connectivity Canvas extends the time for five minutes, saving the answer entered before the timer runs out.
- If enabled by your instructor, your quiz might require the use of the [Respondus Lockdown Browser](#).

In Course Navigation, click the **Quizzes** link.

Find an available quiz you'd like to take and click the title of the quiz.

To begin the quiz, click the **Take the Quiz** button.

Complete the quiz per your instructor's instructions. Quizzes will either have all the questions on one page, or each question will be shown [one at a time](#).

There are several different question types in Canvas that your professors may choose to employ, from True/False to Essay format. Questions can vary by [question type](#). Each question will show in the top right corner the point value of the question. Each question will be divided from others by a box surrounding the question and answers.

You can use other areas in the quiz to help you navigate and complete quiz questions, including the sidebar and the flagging questions feature.

At any point during the quiz, you can view a summary of your quiz. Questions you've answered will be faded out and identified by a checkmark icon [1], while unanswered questions will be bolded and identified by a question mark icon [2].

You can also view the due date for the quiz [3]. In the sidebar, the quiz due date refers to the autosubmit date, which can be a specified Until date or the last day of the course. *This is not the due date set for when the quiz will be marked late.*

You'll also see a timer showing your progress on the quiz. For untimed quizzes [4], the quiz shows as the elapsed time. If you are taking a timed quiz [5], the timer shows the running time and counts down until time expires.

You can flag the questions you want to go back to by clicking the flag by the question [1]. The flag will change color to yellow to remind you to finish the question. The yellow flag will also appear in the question overview in the sidebar [2].

View Quiz Warning Notifications

If you are taking a timed quiz, or you are taking a quiz close to the due date or lock date and time, Canvas generates warning messages to help you manage your time in the quiz. Canvas will also warn you if you lose the connection to the internet during the quiz.

View Due Date Warning

If you are taking a quiz with a set due date, you will see a warning popup banner as to how many minutes remain before the quiz will be marked late. Warnings appear 30 minutes prior, five minutes prior, and one minute prior.

View Time Restriction Warning

If you start a quiz near the time when it will be due, you will see a warning popup banner. Use the sidebar to view the time the quiz is due and how many minutes are remaining. In this sense, the quiz due date refers to the autosubmit date, which is either a specified lock (Available until) date or the last day of the course. Warnings appear 30 minutes prior, five minutes prior, one minute prior, and 10 seconds prior.

If at any time you get logged out of Canvas while taking a quiz, you will see a warning pop-up banner. To resume your quiz, click the **Login** button.

Pause Quiz

If your browser allows you to leave the quiz, you can pause the quiz by leaving the quiz page. When you are ready to [resume the quiz](#), the quiz will resume where you left off.

Note: If you leave a timed quiz, the timer will keep running and the quiz will be automatically submitted when time runs out.

Canvas will save your quiz as you go through it. When you are finished, [submit your quiz](#) and view the [quiz results](#) to find out your score.

If you do not submit a timed quiz before the time runs out, Canvas displays a pop-up box telling you that your quiz time has expired. The quiz automatically submits after the ten-second count down [1], or you can click the **Ok, fine** button or **Close** icon to submit your quiz [2].

How do I resume a quiz that I already started taking?

In Course Navigation, click the **Quizzes** link.

Find the quiz you would like to resume and click the title of the quiz.

To resume the quiz, click the **Resume Quiz** button. The quiz will resume where you left off. When you are finished, you can [submit the quiz](#).

How do I submit a quiz?

In Course Navigation, click the **Quizzes** link.

Click the quiz title to open quiz.

Click the **Take the Quiz** button.

If you navigate away from the quiz, when you return to the quiz the button will show as **Resume Quiz**.

Answer the questions in the quiz.

When you are finished, click the **Submit Quiz** button.

If you have forgotten to answer some of the quiz questions, Canvas will confirm your submission before submitting the quiz. To submit the quiz anyway, click the **OK** button [1]. To return to the quiz, click the **Cancel** button [2].

How do I view quiz results as a student?

Quiz results are easy to read in Canvas. As a student, you can see different types of quiz results, depending on your instructor's preference.

Note: Your instructor may be using an upgraded quiz tool called New Quizzes in your course. If the quiz you are accessing displays differently, your instructor may be using New Quizzes. Functionality may differ between these quiz types.

In Course Navigation, click the **Quizzes** link.

Click the title of the quiz.

The quiz results screen consists of several areas:

1. Attempt History
2. Quiz Results
3. Submission Details

If your instructor has hidden your quiz grades, your results will be unavailable until grades are posted.

Attempt History shows your latest quiz attempt, the time it took to take the quiz, and your score.

For repeated quiz attempts, the history will display the results of every attempt. Each attempt has a hyperlink that will display each quiz result, respectively

If your instructor allows, you can view the results of your quiz along with the correct answers. This view will also show your total score, the time and date it was submitted, and how long it took to complete the quiz.

If your instructor allows you to see correct answers, the quiz results will display your answer along with the correct answer.

A correct answer that you marked will be indicated by a green flag [1]. A wrong answer will be indicated by a red flag pointing to your answer [2]. The correct answer will be indicated by a gray flag [3].

If your instructor does not allow you to view correct answers, the quiz results will only display your responses and note whether they were correct or incorrect.

Some instructors will not allow you to view your quiz results at all. This setting is common for quizzes that are allowed multiple attempts.

Submission Details is another way to view your quiz results. Displayed in the sidebar, submission details will show the time it took to take the quiz [1], your current score [2], and your kept score [3], which is the score that Canvas records in the Gradebook.

Note: If your current score includes an asterisk, some questions have not been graded by your instructor, such as essay and file upload questions.

For repeated quiz attempts, the submission details will continue to display the current score [1] and the kept score [2]. However, in this case, the kept score is assigned by your instructor and can either be your latest quiz attempt score, the highest quiz score, or the average of all your scores. The kept score is indicated at the bottom of the submission detail area [3].

You can also view previous attempts through the sidebar submission details. Click the **View Previous Attempts** link.

Each quiz attempt will be listed in the sidebar with a hyperlink to the quiz results. Click the attempt you wish to view [1]. The quiz results for that attempt will appear [2]. Keep in mind that the same settings will apply in the quiz results, meaning that you may only be able to view your responses or not view quiz results at all.

To return to the quiz, click the **Back to Quiz** link [3].

How do I answer each type of question in a quiz?

Instructors can choose from a variety of question types to add to a quiz.

To answer an essay question, click the text box and type your content in the Rich Content Editor [1]. You can use the editor to format your content. The Rich Content Editor also includes a word count display below the bottom right corner of the text box

Note: Essay questions can also be used for mathematical questions that require the LaTeX equation editor. To insert a mathematical equation, click the **Options** icon [2] and click the **Equation** icon [3].

To answer a file upload question, click the **Choose a File** button. Canvas will open a file dialog box where you can locate the file on your computer. Select the file and it will be uploaded as your answer. Canvas will confirm that your file has been uploaded [2]. You can also remove your file by clicking the remove icon [3] and submit a new file.

To answer a fill-in-the-blank question, click the text box and type your answer.

To answer a fill-in-multiple-blanks question, click the first text box [1] and type your first answer. Click the second text box [2] and type your second answer. Continue this process until you have answered the question.

To answer a formula question, click the text box and type your answer.

To answer a matching question, click the drop-down menu [1] and select your answer [2]. Continue until you have matched all the options.

To answer a multiple answer question, click the check boxes [1] next to all the applicable answers [2].

To answer a multiple choice question, click the radio button next to the answer.

To answer a multiple drop-down question, click the the drop-down menu and select your answer. Continue until you have answered all parts of the question.

To answer a numerical question, click the text box and type your answer.

To answer a true/false question, click the radio button next to the answer.

How do I view quiz comments from my instructor?

While grading your quiz, your instructor may leave comments for the whole quiz. You can view these comments on the Grades page and on the Submission Details page.

In Course Navigation, click the **Grades** link.

Locate the quiz and click the **Comment** icon [1].

View the comments in the assignment [2]. You can also view the author [3].

Your quiz submission also displays comments. Click the title of the quiz.

Any instructor comments added to your submission, as well as any comments added by you, appear in the Comments portion of the sidebar [1].

If your quiz includes a rubric [2], your instructor may also leave comments in the rubric.

You can add comments to your assignment submission. Type your comment in the **Add a Comment** field [1].

To attach a file to your comment, click the **Attach File** link [2].

To submit your comment, click the **Save** button [3].

If your instructor has added general feedback to a question or specific feedback to an answer, you can view that feedback in your quiz results [1].

To add a media comment to your submission, click the **Media Comment** link. You can [record a video](#) or [record an audio](#) comment to send to your instructor.

How do I know if I can retake a quiz?

Some instructors will allow you to retake a quiz. The quiz will show you if you are allowed more attempts.

In Course Navigation, click the **Quizzes** link.

Click the quiz title to open the quiz you want to retake.

If you can retake the quiz, you will see **Take the Quiz Again** button. Click the button to retake the quiz.

Contact your instructor if you have problems accessing the quiz.

Note: You can see past attempts in your [quiz results](#).