

Mr. Hamilton's Test Correction Policy

This opportunity is given to... #1: Allow students to understand what they missed and what the correct answer is. This way they will gain a clearer understanding of the subject. #2: It allows students to improve their grades.

Students must correct all incorrect answers on the test to be allowed a score adjustment. No "cherry picking" which corrections to make. This is an all or nothing deal! Each correction will be worth 50% of the original point value. Follow these steps very carefully to get credit.

1. Use a separate sheet of lined paper
2. Name and title of the test at the top
3. Write the number of the incorrect test question.
4. Correct the answer...correctly using a complete sentence.
5. Write 1 additional sentence, presenting facts about the main idea of the question missed.
6. All corrections are due no later than two school days after the test is returned to the student.

Example:

Question #6: Manufacturing was first developed in which economic region of the United States?

- A. Midwest
- B. Northeast
- C. Southeast
- D. Northwest

Correction: #6 *Step # 4:* The northeast was the economic region in the US that first developed manufacturing.
Step #5 : As agricultural jobs moved further west with the opening of the Northwest Territory manufacturing job in the northeast grew. This growth was caused by a dependable network of roadways and the established coastal ports of cities like New York and Boston.

Mr. Hamilton's Grading Methodology

Education is always changing. These changes always come quickly and in order to succeed we must adapt to the change. This system of grading makes students more accountable for the homework that they receive from me, it will balance the value of the tests and homework, while placing importance upon participation & in-class work. Here is how my grading method works:

Tests will make up **35%** of your grade.

Homework will make up **35%** of your grade.

Participation & Presentation will make up **20%** of your grade.

Preparedness will make up **10%** of your grade.

$$35\% + 35\% + 20\% + 10\% = 100\%$$

The focus of this change is the move from a "points based" grade to what is called a "weighted" grade scale where the three areas listed above each have a value. Here's an example:

Assignment	Grade
Test #1	86/100
Homework #1	10/10
Homework #2	10/15
Test #2	45/50
Presentation	75/100
Homework #3	4/5
Preparation	95/100

See calculations below.

We add together the points for each type of assignment and then divide by the total points for each type of assignment to find the percentage for each of the three:

Test Points	131/150	87.3%
Homework Points	24/30	80%
Presentation Points	75/100	75%
Preparation Points	95/100	95%

We turn the % into points & then divide them by the assigned values.
Then add them together for a final %

Test Points	87.3%	87.3 / 35% = 30.55
Homework Points	80%	80 / 35% = 28.00
Presentation Points	75%	75.0 / 20% = 15.00
Preparation Points	95%	95.0/10% = 9.50

$$30.55+28+15+9.50= 83.05$$

$$\text{Total} = 83.05\% \text{ or "B"}$$

If you have any questions please feel free to ask.

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