



## Assessment Question Types

### Blackboard Learning System through Release 7.1

*Basic question types within assessments:*

Question Type	Helpful Hint	Partial Credit?
Essay	This is subjective and will require Instructor grading. An exclamation point will appear in the Gradebook for any test or survey that includes an Essay question.	Yes (Instructor provides final score)
Fill-in-the-Blank	Allows for one answer with variations on spelling. (Answers are not case sensitive.)	No
Matching	Plan matching categories offline. Question Text is actually a statement or direction. Enter Answer Choices in a scrambled order. Match correct answers for display order.	Yes
Multiple Answer	More than one answer is correct.	No
Multiple Choice	Only one answer is correct.	Yes
Ordering	Enter Answer Choices in correct order. Scramble display order.	Yes
True/False	Use a statement rather than a question for the Question Text.	No

*Advanced questions types within assessments:*

Calculated Formula	Include calculations within the question. Instructor uses [ ] to determine location for variable within an equation. The calculations can have changing values within them for each exam. Instructor determines range of variables used for changing values.	Yes
Calculated Numeric	Answer is a number or within a certain range of numbers.	No
Either/Or	Instructor can choose answer choices to be Yes/No, Agree/Disagree, Right/Wrong.	No
File Response	Student answers the question by uploading a file. Instructor may provide data in Question Text for students to manipulate and present answer via a file (such as Excel). This is subjective and will require Instructor grading. An exclamation point will appear in the Gradebook for any test or survey that includes a File Response question.	Yes (Instructor provides final score)
Fill in Multiple Blanks	Student enters free-form answers into multiple blanks within a sentence or paragraph. Instructor uses [ ] to determine location for "blanks." (Answers are not case sensitive.)	No
Hotspot	Student clicks on an image to answer a question. Instructor designates a "hotspot" on an image that is uploaded during test creation process.	No
Jumbled Sentence	Student selects from a drop-down menu of answers to fill in multiple blanks within a sentence. (Similar to a word bank.) Instructor uses [ ] to determine location for "blanks."	No
Opinion Scale/Likert	Answer selection is based on a scale such as Strongly Agree, Agree, Disagree, etc. This question type may best be used with Blackboard Surveys.	Yes
Quiz Bowl	Students must respond in a Jeopardy-like manner. Correct answers include an interrogative and a phrase.	Yes
Short Answer	Student types a free-form answer into the Text Box with a set row/character limit determined by the Instructor. This is subjective and will require Instructor grading. An exclamation point will appear in the Gradebook for any test or survey that includes a Short Answer question.	Yes (Instructor provides final score)