

## Tales from the Adventures of Self-Grading

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# Different Types of Grading

- **Un-grading:** A grade does not typically need to be assigned
- Contract Grading: students and instructor agree on they expectations to be met for certain grades
- **Self-Grading:** Students assess their own work with guided prompts
  - Instructor reserves the right to change grades

## My Self-Graded Assignments

### Self-Reflexive Journal

- 30% of the total grade
- I set a minimum requirement
- Students create their own rubric and assess themselves at the end of term

#### Research Blog

- Publicly accessible work
- Students asked to read 2 of their peers' work in order to assess themselves



#### Pros and Cons of Self-Grading

#### **Pros**

- Easier on student mental health
- Students typically go above and beyond formal expectations
- Get to know your students better
- More fulsome way to assess their understanding
- Students have positive feedback

#### Cons

- SOOOOOO MUCH EXTRA WORK
- Sometimes they do funny things