

How to Estimate Your Participation Grade on Top Hat

The listed participation grade on Top Hat is not accurate as it includes quizzes and other non-participation points.

1. Log-In to Top Hat on a computer web browser. Do not use the mobile app or a mobile browser.
2. Click the "Gradebook" tab at the top of the page.
3. Ignore the **Course Average** at the top of the page.

The screenshot shows the Top Hat Gradebook interface for a student named Josh Osbourn. The Course Average is displayed as 50.0% with a large red 'X' over it, indicating it is not the correct value for participation. The Attendance Record shows 0.00% with 0 attended, 0 excused, and 0 absent.

4. If it's not already selected, click the "View all Content" button.

The screenshot shows the student's profile card with the Course Average of 50.0% and Attendance Record of 0.00%. Below the card, the "View all Content" button is highlighted with a pink arrow, indicating the next step in the process.

5. Find the Class Participation Folder

The screenshot shows the Student Answers page with a table of results. The 'Class Participation' folder is circled in purple. A blue arrow points to the '1 / 1.25' correctness value, and a green arrow points to the '3.75 / 3.75' participation value for the Class Participation folder.

Item Name	Student Answer	Date Answered	Correctness	Participation
Content			4.25 / 13.75	5.25 / 5.25
Class Participation			1 / 1.25	3.75 / 3.75
Ch 1 - Structure and Bonding (Lec.)			0.5 / 0.75	2.25 / 2.25
Bond Length 1 Which one of the indicated bonds is the shortest?	D ✓	Nov 2 2018 1:39 PM	0.25 / 0.25	0.75 / 0.75
Bond Length 2 Which one of the indicated C-C single bonds is the shortest?	C ✓	Nov 2 2018 1:39 PM	0.25 / 0.25	0.75 / 0.75

6. Use the Correctness and Participation Values associated with the Class Participation folder to estimate your participation grade.
 - Sum up the earned correctness and earned participation points. In this case $(1 + 3.75 = 4.75)$.
 - Sum up the possible correctness and earned participation points. In this case $(1.25 + 3.75 = 5.00)$.
 - Divide the earned points by the points possible and multiply by 100 to get your participation grade. In this case $(4.75/5.00 \times 100 = 95\%)$
7. As I have previously mentioned, I will add 20 points (up to a max score of 100) to your participation grade to account for the *correctness penalty* associated with the questions and to help with a question or two that you may have missed or were unable to answer.