

Prevent students from posting to a Moodle rooms Forum that is graded with a rubric

Issue: Students cannot see your graded rubric or activity comments in Moodle rooms Grader after the date it was due if you set a “restrict access” date in the forum settings.

Solution: Delete all students’ “permissions” so they can’t post/reply any longer after the date/time the forum is due. (You can’t set it up beforehand but must do it after your “due date.”)

Caution: Make a backup of the course before changing any permissions so you don’t have to add the permissions back in for the next semester.

Steps to change permissions:

The screenshot shows the Moodle interface for a forum. The forum title is "MOODLEROOMS FORUM" and the specific forum is "Chapter 4 Discussion Forum". The interface includes a navigation bar with a gear icon for settings. The settings menu is open, showing options like "Edit settings", "Locally assigned roles", "Permissions", "Check permissions", "Filters", "Logs", "Backup", "Restore", and "Advanced grading". The "Permissions" option is highlighted. Below the settings menu, a table of permissions is visible, with columns for "Norton Trial Access role", "Student", "Non-editing teacher", "Teacher", and "Manager". The "Student" column has a delete icon next to it. The "Start new discussions" permission is highlighted in a red box. A red box also highlights the "Permissions" option in the settings menu. Another red box highlights the "delete" icon in the permissions table. A fourth red box highlights the "Reply to posts" permission in the table. A fifth red box highlights the "Start new discussions" permission in the table. A sixth red box highlights the "gear icon" in the top right corner. A seventh red box highlights the "forum link" in the top left corner. A eighth red box highlights the "delete icon to remove Student permission to:" in the middle of the page.

Click the **forum link**

Click the **gear icon**

Click **Permissions**

Click **delete** icon to remove **Student** permission to:

- Reply to posts
- Start new discussion

Reply to posts
mod/hsuforum:replypost

Reveal yourself in an anonymous forum
mod/hsuforum:revealpost

Split discussions
mod/hsuforum:splitdiscussions

Start new discussions
mod/hsuforum:startdiscussion

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Note: If you do not want to do this and usually grade forums very soon after they are due, you could watch their posts to see if they posted/replied after it was due. In those cases, you just wouldn’t change the students’ grades for posts/replies submitted late.