

Translating Rubric Scores to Grades

As a rule, rubric scores do not translate directly into percentages, but as a practical matter they often need to be translated. With the four-point rubric, for example, do not translate a score of 2 to 50%, and then consider that to be failing grade. According to the 4-point rubric, the student who receives a score of 2 clearly has some knowledge. Similarly a 3 on a 4-point rubric is not equivalent to 75%. It is more likely B level work. A few possible translations follow:

The four-point rubric translated into grades.

<i>Score</i>	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Letter Grade
4	100%	93%	3.5 - 4.0	A
3	85%	82%	2.8 - 3.4	B
2	70%	70%	2.0 - 2.8	C
1	55%	50%	1.0 - 1.9	D

The six-point rubric translated into grades.

<i>Score</i>	% option	Letter Grade	Description
6	97-105	A+	Excellent Work
5	90-96	A	Great Work
4	80-89	B	Good Effort
3	70-79	C	Adequate
2	55-69	D	Inadequate
1	40-54	D-/F	Unacceptable
0	0-39	F	Nothing of Value