

# Grade Passback Readiness Checklist

Run this gate before shipping grading: define the gradebook contract, pick the grading method, wire the passback path correctly, and keep the score scale and the data stores honest. Companion to the Fora Soft Learn article.

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## A. The gradebook contract

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- One line item (gradebook column) per gradable activity, created before you post
- Score scale and scoreMaximum agreed with the gradebook of record
- Gradebook of record named — usually the LMS; other stores hold copies only

## B. Grading method

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- Objective items auto-graded with QTI response processing — deterministic
- Open work scored by rubric; a human confirms anything that carries credit
- Mastery / passing threshold defined and documented

## C. The passback path

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- New tool inside an LMS: LTI Advantage AGS 2.0 — not deprecated LTI 1.1
- Scopes requested: lineitem, score, result.readonly
- Set activityProgress = Completed and gradingProgress = FullyGraded on final scores
- Self-contained package: cmi5 (or SCORM where the buyer's LMS requires it)

## D. Score and data integrity

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- scoreGiven and scoreMaximum on one scale — never scaled 0-1 with a points max
- Passback is idempotent; retries are safe; timestamps move forward
- LRS and warehouse hold copies for analytics, not the official grade