

## Grading criteria for homework problems

- Homework problems are designed to help you master the basic techniques and concepts of phonology problem-solving.
- Homework solutions may be handwritten or typed. However, legibility and neatness are important — you are strongly advised to work out your analysis on scratch paper first, and then write up your solution on a clean sheet.
- Homework solutions will be evaluated on a scale from 0 to 4. A homework average of 4 is an A, 3 is a B, 2 is a C, etc.; intermediate values correspond to +/- grades. Your work will be scored according to the following general criteria (as relevant for the details of a specific homework assignment).

	<b>Excellent (4)</b>	<b>Competent (3)</b>	<b>Needs work (2)</b>	<b>Unsatisfactory (1-0)</b>
<b>Accuracy and completeness</b>	• No or few errors in factual statements and formalisms	• Some errors, but mostly on new material	• Many errors, especially on data or familiar material	• Assignment incomplete
<b>Insight</b>	• Evidence of careful thought • Connections to prior relevant information, where applicable	• Some evidence of thought • Some connections to prior relevant information	• Analysis is superficial • Few or no connections to prior relevant information	• No analysis or discussion given
<b>Organization of content</b>	• Information well organized; facts or examples presented in a phonologically relevant way	• Information mostly well organized	• Information presented in random order with little or no conceptual organization	• Insufficient information presented
<b>Presentation</b> (less weight)	• Neat and legible	• Mostly neat and legible	• Many scratch-outs; answers jammed together	• Very difficult to read

- What happens when a homework problem is not turned in:
  - The first missing homework will contribute a 0 to your homework average.
  - Each additional missing homework will both contribute a 0 to your homework average *and* lower your homework average by one grade level (B becomes B- , for example).