

Making Content Available Selectively: Adaptive Release

Adaptive Release of Content provides controls to release content to users based on a set of rules provided by the Instructor. The rules may be related to availability, date and time, individual users and user groups (such as course Groups), scores or attempts on any Grade Center item, or review status of another item in the course.

The following options are available:

- Adaptive Release – Create basic rules for an item. Only one rule per item may be created.
- Adaptive Release: Advanced – Create advanced rules for an item. Multiple rules may be created.
- Adaptive Release and Review Status:User Progress – View the details on an item for all users in a course. This page includes information on whether the item is visible to the user and whether the user has marked the item as “Reviewed”.

Adaptive Release rules and criteria

An Adaptive Release rule consists of a set of criteria that defines the visibility of a content item to users. For example, date and membership are two types of criteria. Each content item may have multiple rules, and each rule may consist of multiple criteria. To view an item, a user must meet all of the requirements of the rule. This means that if a rule has multiple criteria, the user must meet all criteria before the item is available.

For example, the Instructor may add an Assignment to a course. One rule for this Assignment may allow all users in Group A to view the Assignment after a specific date. This rule would consist of Membership criteria and Date criteria. Another rule for this Assignment may allow all users in Group B to view the Assignment once they had completed Homework #1. This rule would consist of Membership criteria and Grade Center criteria.

Note: Only one Membership criteria and one Date criteria may be created for each rule. Multiple Grade Center criteria and Review Status criteria may be added to each rule.

Visibility of items with Adaptive Release rules

Once any Adaptive Release rules have been established for an item, visibility of that item is restricted to those users who meet the criteria of those rules. If no Adaptive Release Rules have been created, the item is available to all users in the course depending on the item availability and date / time availability set on the Add Item page.

Adaptive Release and Review Status: User Progress

It may be difficult to remember which users in a course may access each piece of content. The **Adaptive Release and Review Status: User Progress** page displays details on the visibility of a content item and the Adaptive Release rules pertaining to it. This page lists the visibility of an item on a user-by-user basis. If **Review Status** is enabled for the item, an icon is displayed to show whether the user has reviewed the item or not along with a date and time stamp. If no Adaptive Release rules have been created for that item, the visibility column is based simply on

availability of the item itself. For example, if the item is available, the Visible icon is displayed for all users.

User Progress

At least one of the following rules must be satisfied to make this content item visible. Click a Rule name to view the details.

Rule: [Rule 1](#) (Membership, Review Status)

Last Name	First Name	Username	Course Role	Visibility
LeBlanc	Glenn	gleblanc	Student	
Pinkham	Lida	lida.pinkham	Student	
LeBlanc	Glenn	glenn.leblanc	Instructor	

Differences between Basic and Advanced Adaptive Release

Advanced Adaptive Release allows users to create multiple rules per item. If a user wants to create different criteria for different users on the same item, the user will need to create more than one rule. For example, if different rules apply for different Groups in a course, Advanced Adaptive Release is used. The Instructor may set up a rule for Group A that enables all users in the Group to view an item once they receive an 85 on a Test. The Instructor may set up a separate rule for Group B that enables them to see the same content item after they receive an 80 on the Test.

Unavailable items and Adaptive Release rules

Item availability set on the **Add Item** page supersedes all Adaptive Release rules. *If the item is unavailable, it is unavailable to all users regardless of any rules established.* This allows course developers to build their rules and only make items available when they are finished with rule creation.

Example: Setting up an Adaptive Release Rule

In this example, we will make access to a final chapter test contingent upon scoring *at least 90* on a practice test for the chapter.

- Go to the item in a content area to which you want to control release and click **Manage**.
- Click **Adaptive Release** (this allows you to set up one rule for the item):
- Now select the quiz and specify the criterion that students must meet before they can continue to the assignment.

3 Gradebook Item

This content item is visible to all users until a Gradebook item criteria is created. Possible points on a Gradebook item are listed in brackets beside the name. The score entered must be numeric.

Select a Gradebook item

Select Condition

- Item has at least one attempt.
An attempt is recorded for any Gradebook item when the user submits a test or survey, or when a score is entered or modified.
- Score
- Score Between and

Note that for basic **Adaptive Release** you can set up *only one rule* – based either on Date, Membership (Username or Group), Grade Center Item, or Review Status. Complete only one section of the Adaptive Release page.

To set up multiple rules for the same item or to *remove* rules you must use **Adaptive Release: Advanced**.