Enhanced Blackboard Gradebook Setup Overview—What we have done and what we know so far. 😊

1. Setup Grading CATEGORIES:
   a. Practice Points
   b. Competency 1, Competency 2, Competency 3, etc...

2. Then, set up Average Columns to report each of the following based on the grading categories assigned to each column in the gradebook:
   a. **Practice Points** Overall Average (This creates your 30% “bucket”.)
   b. Averages that report out progress on EACH Individual Competency
      *Even though it’s called an “average” column, you can choose highest, lowest, dropping scores, etc.

3. Next, setup another Average Column (an average of the averages) that averages ALL of the Individual Competency Columns into one overall Competency Average. This gives you your 70% **Competency Assessment** “bucket”.

4. Finally, set up the Weighted Column that reports our **FINAL COURSE GRADE**.
   a. Practice Points Average Column weighs 30%
   b. Competency Assessment Average Column weighs 70%

*Averages columns give us many options:

- Drop lowest ___ scores OR Drop highest ___ scores
- Only report highest score OR Only report lowest score
- Average equally OR Average proportionally

- We are also able to set up grading rules that make any Competency Average column report grades less than 60% as CNM instead of an F.
- As of right now, we must also create a final text column to place “CNM” since we can’t manually override FINAL COURSE GRADE column (since it’s a weighted column.)