

# Honest Points

(no handout, explanation below)

Honesty points are points given for grading their own work. Students always give themselves 3 points. If they lie about their scores, the points are taken away.

This system of having the students grade their own work serves two purposes.

1. It reinforces the need for students to take personal responsibility for their grades. It also means they will always understand what their grade is because they add up their scores themselves. When work is passed back, it is their responsibility to check to make sure their scores were correctly entered into the grade book (which is posted by ID number in the classroom) If they lied about their scores and their grade was reduced, they would see that change during this process.
2. It saves their teacher time because the scores are scanned into the gradebook using a grading camera. As the teacher grades the assignments, he/she makes a stack of correctly graded packets and a stack of packets where students lied. The teacher only has spend 2-3 minutes changing the grades of the students who lied instead of 1-2 hours inputting all of the grades.