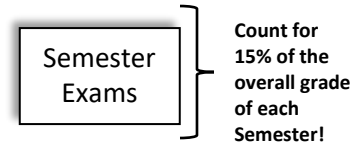


How to Calculate Your Grades

The school year is made up of four-Nine Weeks Periods (a total of 36 weeks of school). They are divided as such:

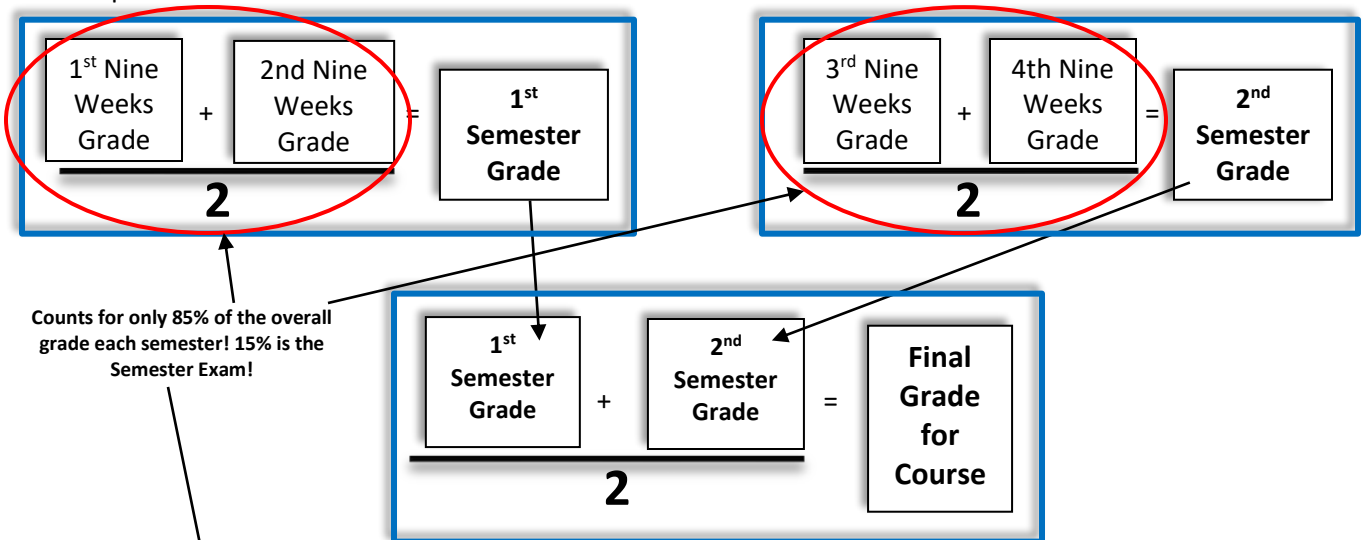
- 1st Nine Weeks: August-October
- 2nd Nine Weeks: October- December (**Semester Exam**)
- 3rd Nine Weeks: December-March
- 4th Nine Weeks: March-May (**Semester Exam**)



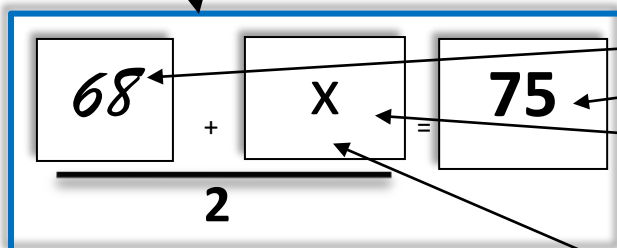
Recall that not all assignments carry the same weight. Tests and quizzes are worth 40% of your grade and classwork, homework, daily grades, etc., are worth 60% of your grade. **Turn in all your work on time and study for all you tests and quizzes! EVERYTHING COUNTS!**

The 1st and 2nd Nine Weeks Periods are added and divided by 2 to calculate the 1st SEMESTER Grade. The 3rd and 4th Nine Weeks Periods are added and divided by 2 to calculate the 2nd SEMESTER Grade. At the end of the school year, each SEMESTER Grade is then added together, divided by 2, and the FINAL Grade is obtained for the course.

Example:



If you already have a grade for one of the nine weeks, you can calculate what your next 9 weeks grade should be to earn the SEMESTER grade you want. For example:



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EARN THE HIGHEST GRADES POSSIBLE
EACH NINE WEEKS!**

- You earned a 68 for the 1st Nine Weeks
- You want to earn a 75 for 85% of the Semester grade. (This is just an example so AIM for a higher grade!!)
- Solve for "X" which is the grade you want to calculate to earn this **2nd Nine Weeks**.
- Multiply **both sides** by 2 to cancel the 2 in the denominator on the left of the equation.
- Your equation is now: $68 + x = 150$
- Subtract 68 from both sides to isolate the x on the left
- $x = 82$
- You must earn an **82** the 2nd Nine Weeks to average out with a 75 for 1st Semester which is 85% of the grade AND this does NOT include the 15% of the Semester Exam! You must do well on the exam!