



Lawrance Database Designs

General Instructions for opening the Gradebook for NitWits - Filemaker 10 or higher

1. Save the files (extracted from the downloaded zip file) in a folder called Gradebook FMrt on your desktop. Send the Gradebook FM shortcut located in the folder to your Desktop.
2. To open the runtime version of the Gradebook, double-click on the Gradebook shortcut on your Desktop. You will be presented with a dialog to enter the User's Name: **ADMIN** and click OK.

Next, log in using the following account name (which should be the same as the one mentioned above). and password:

Account Name: **Admin**
Password: **letmein** (lowercase)

There is sufficient data populating the database for the user to browse the database without creating new records to ascertain its functionality. However, the user may add /delete records to experiment with the application in more detail.

The Gradebook supports up to 1 to 4 Terms. The teacher can define up to 6 weighted categories for Term Work, 2 of which can be rubric-based (such as Participation and Behaviour) that apply to each defined term. Term Work Averages and Examination Grades (for each defined Term) are weighted outside the category framework to arrive at the Year-to-Date average in the course. Several Reports are included and 3 seating plan layout options are available with the ability to record the student attendance directly on the defined seating plan.

The database will hold all the classes you could ever teach over a lifetime because the data limit is in the terabyte range. Therefore, you DO NOT delete students and classes at the end of the academic year.

- You simply set each student's status you no longer teach to INACTIVE in the student database and add the new students.
- Change the academic year setting on the set-up screen to the next academic year and enter the new terms and start / end dates
- Add any new courses you have been assigned
- Add classes to each course you teach
- Go to the Classes interface and populate each class with students you have activated in the student database.
- Set up a seating plan for each class
- Register textbook(s) to each student for each class.

Limitations of Shareware Demo: Maximum number of students allowed in Student Database is 5. There are no other limitations to the software demo.

Gradebook for NitWits may be purchased for **\$29.95 CDN**. The registered version is a single-user license for use only on 1 computer with no limit to the number of students in the student database table. Multiple years can be stored in the same file. Archived years can be retrieved by adjusting the Academic Year setting. Payment can be made by PayPal at <http://www.lddsis.ca>

The registered version automatically has the student limitation removed when the purchaser enters their Registration Name and Validation Code sent via email after payment is confirmed by PayPal. Technical support by Email is free for 1 year from the date of purchase.

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