What’s New in Brightspace 20.19.08 – 20.19.09

Assignments:

- Updated feature: **Spell check for annotation notes**:
  - When assessing submissions with the built-in Annotation tool, text within the comment annotation is now checked for spelling mistakes
- New feature (20.19.09): **Grades entered in Assignments and Gradebook are synchronized**:
  - When a grade for an assignment submission is posted in the Gradebook, the grade also appears in Assignments
  - Previously, grade would only be passed from Assignments to Gradebook
  - Synchronization is for new grade entries only – no migration of prior grade entries.

Discussions:

- New feature: **When a Discussion grade entered in Gradebook, it’s now passed to the Discussions tool** (the same as for grading Assignments above)
  - Previously, it went one way only (Discussions to Gradebook)
- Existing grade data is not migrated. Synchronization is for new grade entries only.

Notifications:

- New feature: **Summary of Activity** option has been added to receive email notifications about the summary of activity in each course
  - Options include: Never, Daily, or Weekly (on the My Home page click your name icon at the top right > Notifications)

- The following Customize Notifications options – Allow past courses to send me notifications and Allow inactive courses to send me notifications - have nee removed. User can now only receive daily email digests for current and future courses.
- The following SMS notification options for Instant Notifications have been removed:
  - Content – content item created
  - Content – content item updated
  - Content – content overview updated
- If any of the removed notification options were previously selected, users will no longer receive these notifications
• To receive content-related instant notifications, D2L recommends using the Brightspace Pulse mobile application or select the Email option for the instant notification type on the Notifications page.

**Intelligent Agents:**

• New feature: Intelligent Agents (IA) now re-evaluate the status of release conditions at the moment of triggering to determine whether a user has completed a particular release condition or not.
  • Previously, IA retained release condition information from users, even if users no longer triggered the retained release condition.

**Quizzes:**

• Updated: The new Quiz Builder experience is now generally available and recommended for use.
  • Quiz Builder will be turned on by default with the ability to opt out at the end of 2019.
  • Only the new Quiz Builder experience will be supported in May 2020.

• New feature: **Restore quiz attempts in the Quiz Attempt log:**
  • Instructors can now restore deleted quiz attempts for students from within a quiz using the new Quiz Attempt log (or Attempts Logs from the down arrow drop-down menu):

  - The Restore button appears when a quiz attempt is deleted for a user: click the Quiz Attempt Deleted link at the top:

    ![Grade Quiz - Test 1](image)

    - Attempt Logs

    | Overview | Detailed |
    |----------|----------|
    | Quiz Entry | Quiz Completion | Quiz Attempt Deleted | Quiz Attempt Restored |

    - Then click the Restore Button next to the Quiz name:
Quick Eval:

Reminder: Quick Eval is a system tool and not a specific course tool (can be found under Support on the My Home page navbar). Quick Eval brings assessment of Assignments, Quizzes, and Discussions into one handy place where you can easily find and prioritize your evaluations.

- Updated feature: Displays a list of the assessable activities that have items awaiting evaluation
  - Shows up in Quick Eval’s Activities view when there is an unevaluated student submission
  - Displays indicators to show the progress on submissions, evaluations, and publishing feedback:

### Release Conditions:

- New feature: **Completed content topic** condition is available:
  - Method for completing the topic depends on the type:
Internet Explorer – End of Life

- In January 2020, Internet Explorer 11 (and older) browser will no longer be supported by D2L.
- D2L recommends Google Chrome, Mozilla Firefox, Microsoft Edge (Windows computers) and Apple Safari (Mac computers) – latest versions, for an optimal user Brightspace experience.
- Here is the page to show until January 2020:

- Page to show after January 2020 update: