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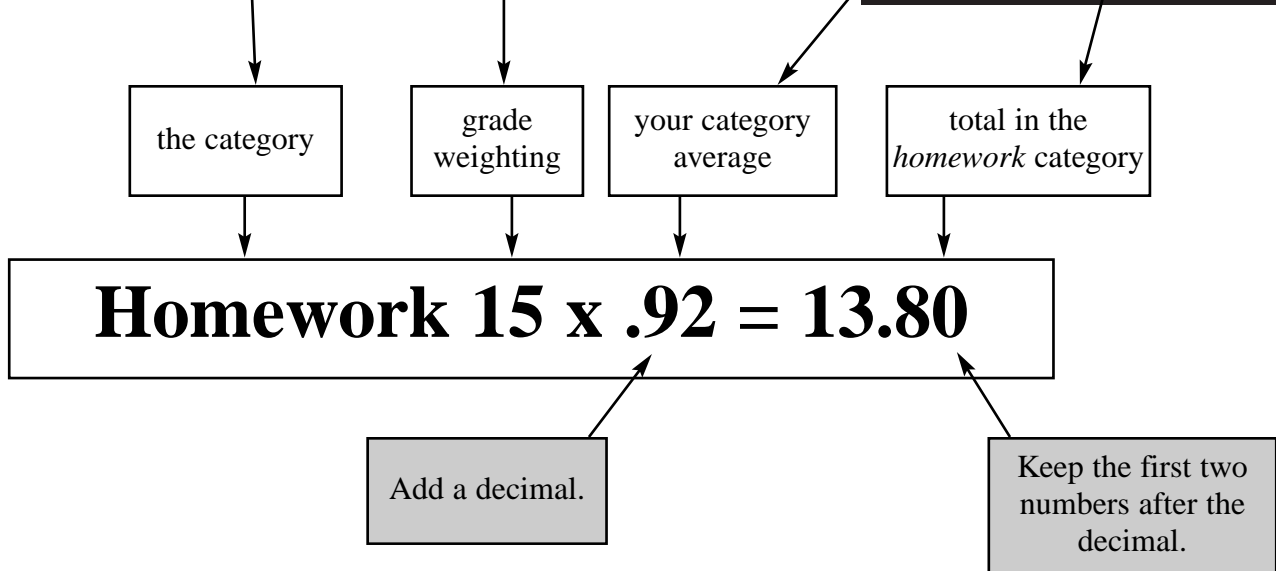
The Percentage Grading System *(cont.)*

How to Use the Back of the Grade Sheet for Percentages Form

Take a look at the back of the Grade Sheet for Percentages form in the appendix. You can use the chart on the back of this form to calculate your overall grade in the class. Follow the six steps listed on the form. Take a look at the example below.

Use the grade weighting as a number without a percent sign. Also, do not forget to add a decimal to the category average. If your category average is 100%, then just multiply the grade weighting by 1 (see *quizzes* category in the example below).

GRADE WEIGHTINGS (from the teacher)	multiply	decimal	your category average	total in each category
tests 40%	times (x)	•	<u>.87</u>	= <u>34.80</u>
quizzes 15%	times (x)	•	<u>1.00</u>	= <u>15.00</u>
projects 5%	times (x)	•	<u>.95</u>	= <u>4.75</u>
other: <i>participation</i> 5%	times (x)	•	<u>.98</u>	= <u>4.90</u>
other: <i>book report</i> 5%	times (x)	•	<u>.83</u>	= <u>4.15</u>
other: <i>classwork</i> 15%	times (x)	•	<u>.90</u>	= <u>13.50</u>
other: <i>homework</i> 15%	times (x)	•	<u>.92</u>	= <u>13.80</u>
			total grade	<u>91%</u>



Spell It! (cont.)

Spelling Activities

Many students practice their spelling words by writing them over and over. Listed below are some interesting activities that involve writing your spelling words. Let's take a look at these activities as they are used with a list of five words: *believe, probably, chocolate, favorite, become*.

1. **Alphabetize the words.**

- become
- believe
- chocolate
- favorite
- probably

2. **Categorize the words by syllables.**

- | <u>Two Syllables</u> | <u>Three Syllables</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| • become | • chocolate |
| • believe | • favorite |
| | • probably |

3. **List the words from shortest to longest by number of letters.**

- become
- believe
- favorite
- probably
- chocolate

4. **Combine the words into one meaningful sentence.** (If your list has more than five words, combine any five into one meaningful sentence.)

I believe chocolate will probably become my favorite flavor.

5. **List the words in pyramid form from easiest to hardest.** The word at the top should be the one that is the easiest for you to spell. The word at the bottom should be the one that is the hardest for you to spell.

