



Community Contributions: A new team's inception, early wins & plans for the future

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What we'll cover today



The Team

Brief outline of the team's goals and who we are.



First 6 Months

Early wins and impact, some key community release metrics for LMS 5.2.



Marking Workflows

Our team's first major project and community stakeholder collaboration.



The next 6 Months

Current and upcoming initiatives, course learning outcomes, and AI considerations.

Team overview

A dedicated team leading meaningful community engagement and strengthening community contributions, in the Moodle LMS development space.





Team goals

Team goal 1

“Support the creation and improvement of clear contribution guidelines and developer onboarding resources”

- Playbook of clear contribution guidelines.
- Improved onboarding for new contributors.
- Review the info available.
- Find any information gaps or common pitfalls.



Team goal 2

“Enhance contributor tooling and development workflows”

- Scripts to perform tasks more efficiently.
- Development environment setup and pipeline access.
- Intuitive translation tooling.
- Well maintained tooling.
- Remove technical hurdles to focus on what you do best!



Team goal 3

“Provide a support framework for open source contributors”

- Proactive support, earlier.
- Dedicated resources, working closely with developers, stakeholders and LMS component teams.
- Making it easier to find ideas to contribute.
- Highlighting good contribution candidates.



Team goal 4

“Encourage active community engagement”

- Meaningful engagement initiatives.
- Actively seeking community projects that would benefit a broad spectrum of users.
- Refresh community developer meetings.
- Community feedback opportunities.



Meet the team



David Woloszyn
Developer / CLR



Mick Hawkins
Product Manager



Raquel Ortega
Developer / CLR



Anupama Sarjoshi
Developer /
CLR (soon)



David Mudrak
Senior Developer /
AMOS guru



**Community
Contributions team:
Our first 6 months**

The first 6 months

Main goals and early initiatives

- Set up key team processes and ways of working.
 - Kick off our first major project collaboration.
 - Increase community driven contributions to LMS 5.2 by 10%.
- Complete first community contributor feedback survey.
 - Refresh community developer meetings.
 - Review AMOS backlog and prioritise.

The first 6 months

Results



- Set up key team processes and ways of working.



- Kick off our first major project collaboration.



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- Complete first community contributor feedback survey.



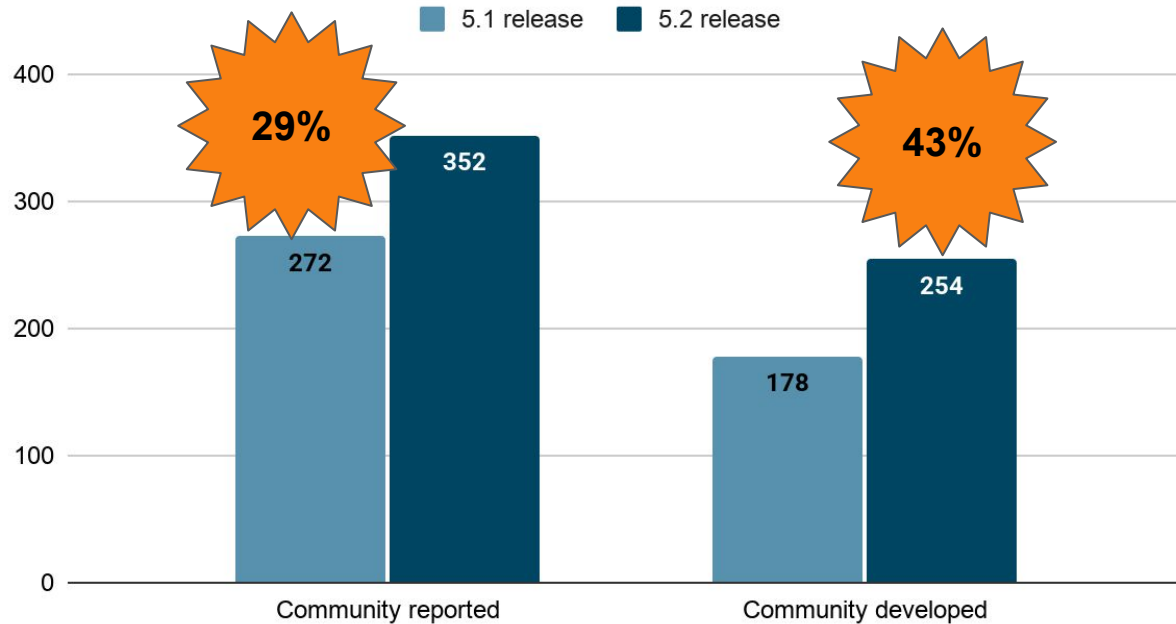
- Refresh community developer meetings.



- **Review AMOS backlog and prioritise.**

Target: 10% increase in community driven contribs

Tracker issues landed (improvements, features, bug fixes)



Survey results

Context & Methodology

Survey released at 2025 MoodleMoot Global and AU (~50 responses). Team workshop held to group and analyze feedback, voting on high-impact, achievable initiatives.

Top 4 items

1. Faster review feedback

Through better automated reviews and AI assistance.

2. Queue visibility

Improved transparency on code review queue wait times.

3. Contributor access

Making it easier for first contributors to access our Tracker.

4. Recognition & awards

Establishing contributor recognition and award programs.

Next steps: Drilling down into implementation details and timelines over the coming weeks.





Assignment marking workflows project

Phase 1 - 5.2 release

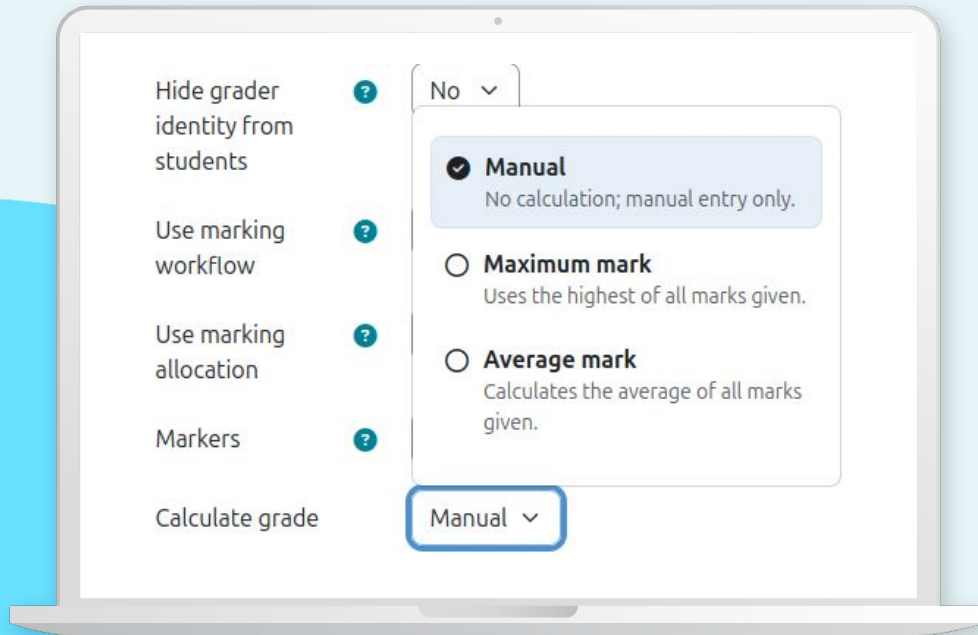
Multiple markers






Grade calculation

Single feedback field

Assignment marking workflows

Assignment marking workflows



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**Phases 2 & 3 -
LMS 5.3 (Oct 2026)**

Separate feedback

Flexible (optional) markers

Assignment marking workflows

Feedback

Grade	14.00 / 100.00
Graded on	Tuesday, 2 June 2026, 5:19 AM
Graded by	 Admin User  Camilo Jiménez

Feedback comments

Marker comment (Admin User)

This is admin making a comment. And here is some more.

Marker comment (Camilo Jiménez)

This is teacher 1

Overall comment

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Marker feedback (Admin User)

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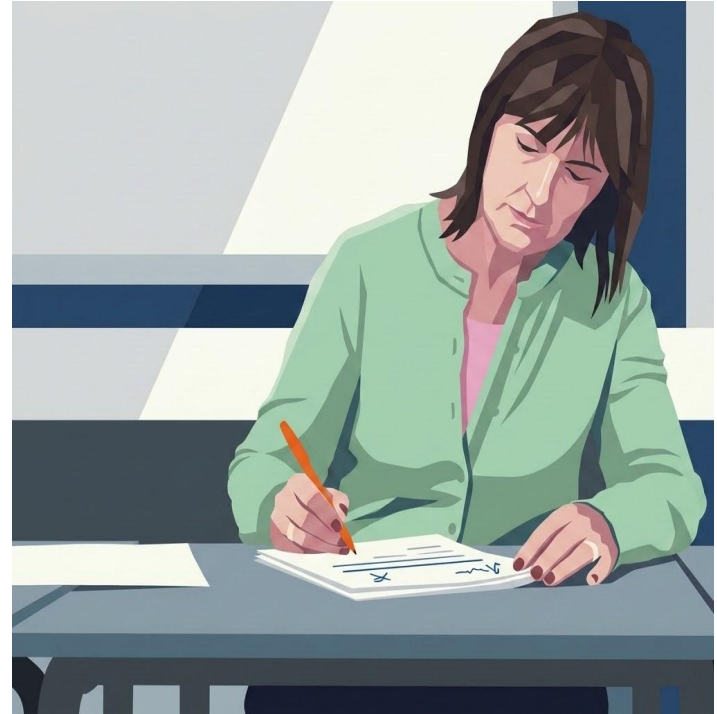


Marking workflows

So ...

Who is doing the work?

What was our involvement?



The next 6 months

- Wrap up marking workflows for 5.3.
- Continue momentum on community submissions.
- Start implementing survey outcomes.
- Launch community backlog / tagging (draft process under review).
- Course creation project initial stages (more on this shortly).
- Start planning and working towards some of our other team goals.

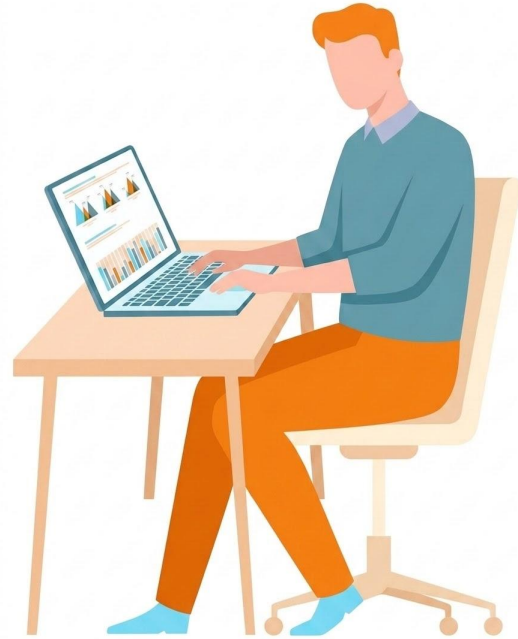




Course creation improvements

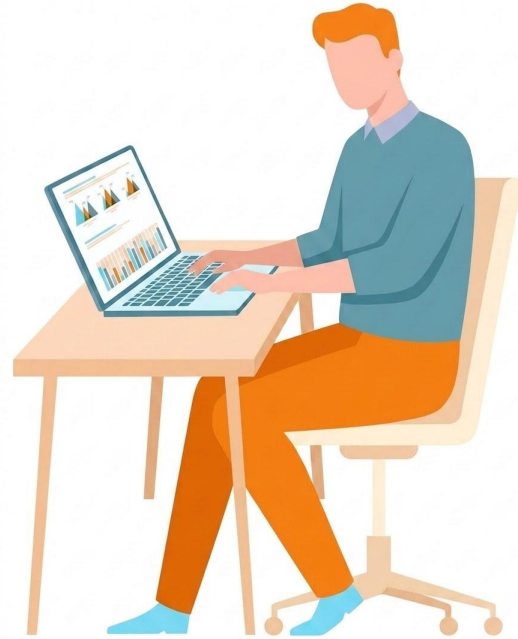
Course creation

- Broad topic - many possibilities for features and improvements.
- Some areas identified don't require AI directly, but could be further enhanced by it.
- Needed to choose somewhere to start:
Learning outcomes



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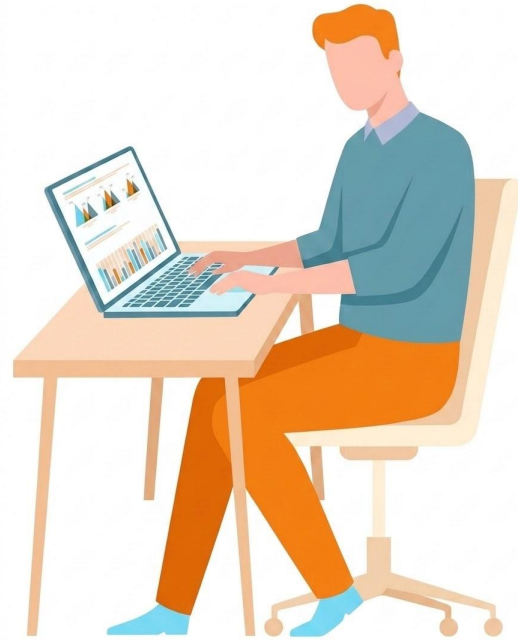
- Old, existing outcomes feature.
- A lot of potential, but too closely linked to scales / grades.
- Not very visible to teachers or students.



Learning outcomes

- The plan

- Remove the dependency between outcomes and scales (make it optional)
- Surface the outcomes.
- **Teachers:** Validate course structure meets outcomes.
- **Students:** Clear understanding of how course content contributes to their learning.



Course creation - what comes next?

- Follow-up project to implement learning design course scaffolding, using the **ABC learning design framework**.
- Could lead to more flexible use cases in future, like course templating.
- Strong foundation for future AI enhancements.



To conclude

THANKS!



Busy but focused and productive first 6-8 months.



Still a couple of goals to plan for in the future.



Plenty of exciting work on the horizon and looking forward to seeing where it takes us!

