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Hello there. In this Quickguide I'm talking about the new relationship between some of the Test Availability options in Blackboard.

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This is going to be as of, kind of, early-mid July 2022.

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So the settings here under Test Availability; two of these settings have now been linked to behind the scenes.

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So in this example, I'm going to set a timer and this is going to be a two hour test.

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It's going to be an invgilated phase test maybe; students will be on site,

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there'll be an invigilator item in the room. Great.

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Now what I want to do is I want to give them 120 minutes to do the test, but I don't want Blackboard to automatically submit

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on the button of 120 minutes. It's invigilated, it's on campus; so the students,

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I want Blackboard after 120 minutes to say Time's Up and then for the invigilator to

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give them a couple of minutes to finish their final question and click save and submit. So I'm going to turn auto submit off.

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Now, there's nothing unusual there. However, in the latest version of Blackboard from July 2022,

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if I click Force completion; we'll notice that auto submit has now defaulted to on and I cannot turn it off.

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This is a new change to these settings.

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So if in the scenario I've described, I want to give the students two hours,

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but I'm happy for them to have a couple of minutes at the end just to finish their final answer and click save and submit; Blackboard

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now has overridden that, and at 120 minutes it will automatically submit all of the student tests

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regardless of whether they have finished or they're midway through a particular question or whatever. Now this never used to happen,

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we used to be able to do force completion and have auto submit off.

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But now Blackboard, by design, have changed this. So if force completion is selected, auto submit is on and we can't turn it back off.

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So. Thinking about that scenario, where we've got a two hour test,

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but we want to give the students a bit of leeway at the end just to finish up and submit their final answer.

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I'm going to just add a few minutes onto the end of the test time,

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and that then takes care of giving them an extra five minutes at the end to finish up, save and submit, under invigilated conditions.

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And that kind of gets around if you like. It's a workaround for Blackboard, just militantly submitting on their behalf at 120 minutes.

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Thank you.