# Course Orientation & the List of Tasks You Do for Points in Getting Started

## A Quick Written Apology

I would not have gone to this trouble if I did not want each of you to succeed; however, I regret that my rippling mistakes caused you trouble, wasted time, and just frustration.

## Noticing What You Need to Notice in Orientation and Clicking Mark Reviewed.

Because videos were to have been the new course orientation, please look at each thing in Blackboard that begins with the words **Pretend This is a Video Showing**:

* On the Blackboard page that opens in the wide right frame
* In Getting Started

How would you pretend that these things are videos? Read slowly or even read aloud as needed. Look at what is being shown whether words or screens.

In **each** case, after you look at each file, **click Mark Reviewed.** What Blackboard does when you click Mark Review is record who clicked on that item. That serves as a way to justify that you earned **doubling** the 45 points.

To earn the doubling up to 45 points, you also need to click True on a 1-question quiz worth its 1 point (This Course & Your Success). It says:

I looked at each of the listed items in Getting Started and on Learning Folders (All Content & Graded Work). I either understand what I am to do to succeed or I have emailed my questions to my instructor.

### **What Are the Tasks for the 45 Points and Perhaps to Figure Out How This Course Is a Good Deal?**

| **#** | **Assignments You Must Do in Getting Started (Those worth 0 points as reminders to protect you.)** | **Points** |
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| 1 | Click on each of the items beginning with the words **Pretend This Is a Video Showing….**  First, be sure to look at each of them **Tip:**   * One is **on** the **opening screen on Blackboard**. * **Three** are **inside** of **Getting Started**.   Second, be sure you click Mark Reviewed on **each** one.  There is also an optional pdf of an article on job skills. The Link Address is also provided under the pdf of a highlighted copy.  If you are interested in an excellent research-based tips for online learning, see “Five Research-Backed Tips to Get the Most out of Online Learning.” Link Address: https://www.inc.com/jessica-stillman/5-online-learning-study-tips-backed-by-science.html | 20 |
| 2 | Take the 1-question quiz named This Course & Your Success. | 1 |
| 3 | Post your Introduction in the Discussion that your instructor placed for you in Getting Started. | 3 |
| 4 | If you have not done this yet, respond to the Reply to This Email graded assignment @ 20 point according to the directions. Use the link Course Messages (Email) that is in Getting Started.  ***Cautions:*** You also need to show that you know how to reply and emails in Blackboard. **Why?** During the pandemic, WCJC’s policy is that all student mail must be within the Blackboard course. | 20 |
| 6 | Take the quiz named Syllabus Acknowledgement Quiz. (***Caution:*** You **must** do it to stay in the course. Do this during Getting Started so you do not forget.) | 1 |
| 7 | Copy this link into an email or anything that you have that you can get to from **anywhere**: [Blackboard Login Page](https://wcjc.blackboard.com/) Link Address: **wcjc.blackboard.com.**  **Why?** WCJC has had times when we could not get to Blackboard through the WCJC connection. We have always been able to get to Blackboard from that Link Address. It has always been open. | **0** |
| 8 | Make sure you prepare your computer using the tips emailed to you. That post also tells you about your needing to get the required textbook and to get or have access to a computer for the Final Exam that has an internal or external webcam and microphone. | **0** |
|  | **Total for this Section of the Course** | 45 |