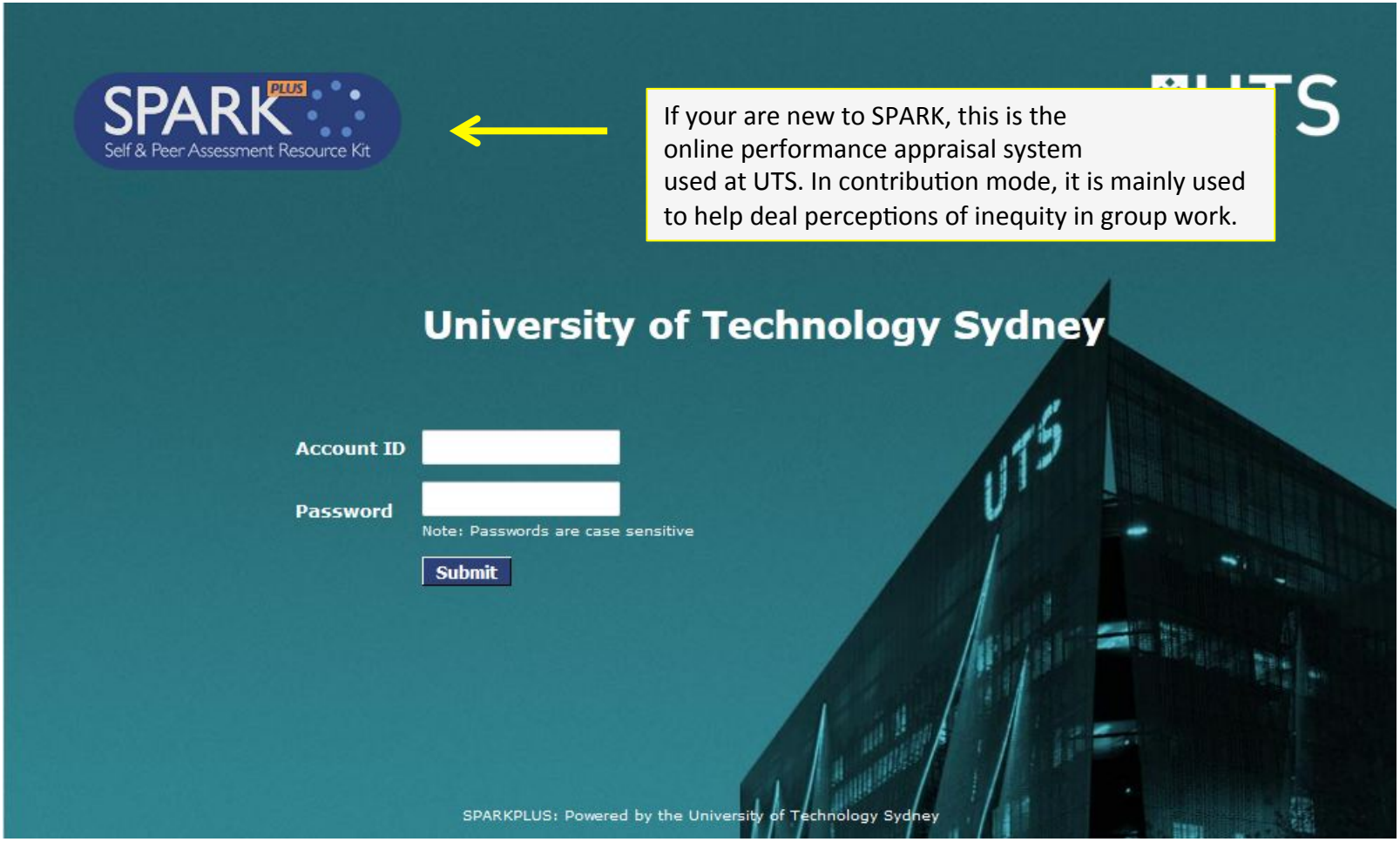
Using SPARKPlus in Contribution Mode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Self & Peer Assessment Resource Kit
If your are new to SPARK, this is the online performance appraisal system used at UTS. In contribution mode, it is mainly used to help deal perceptions of inequity in group work.
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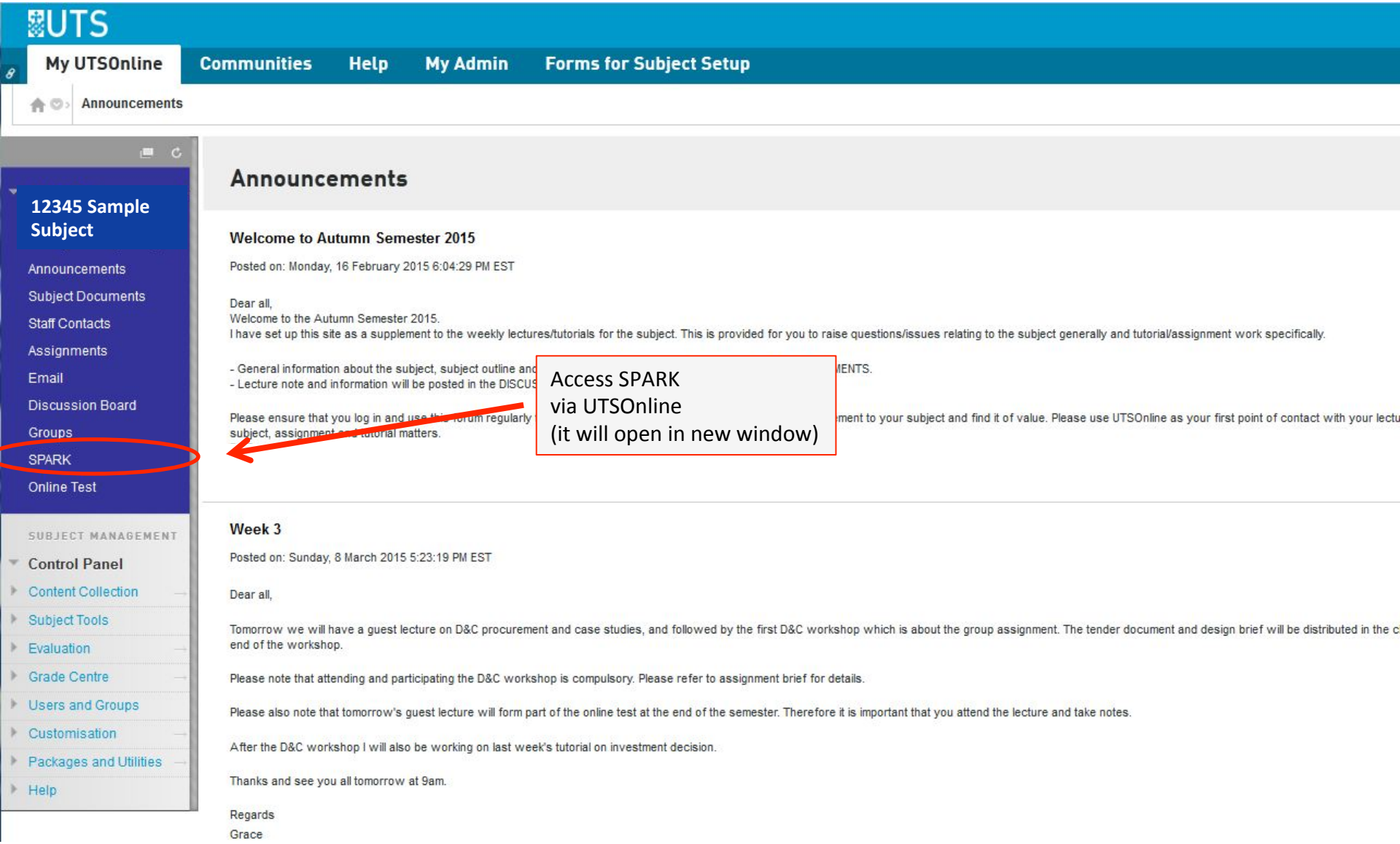
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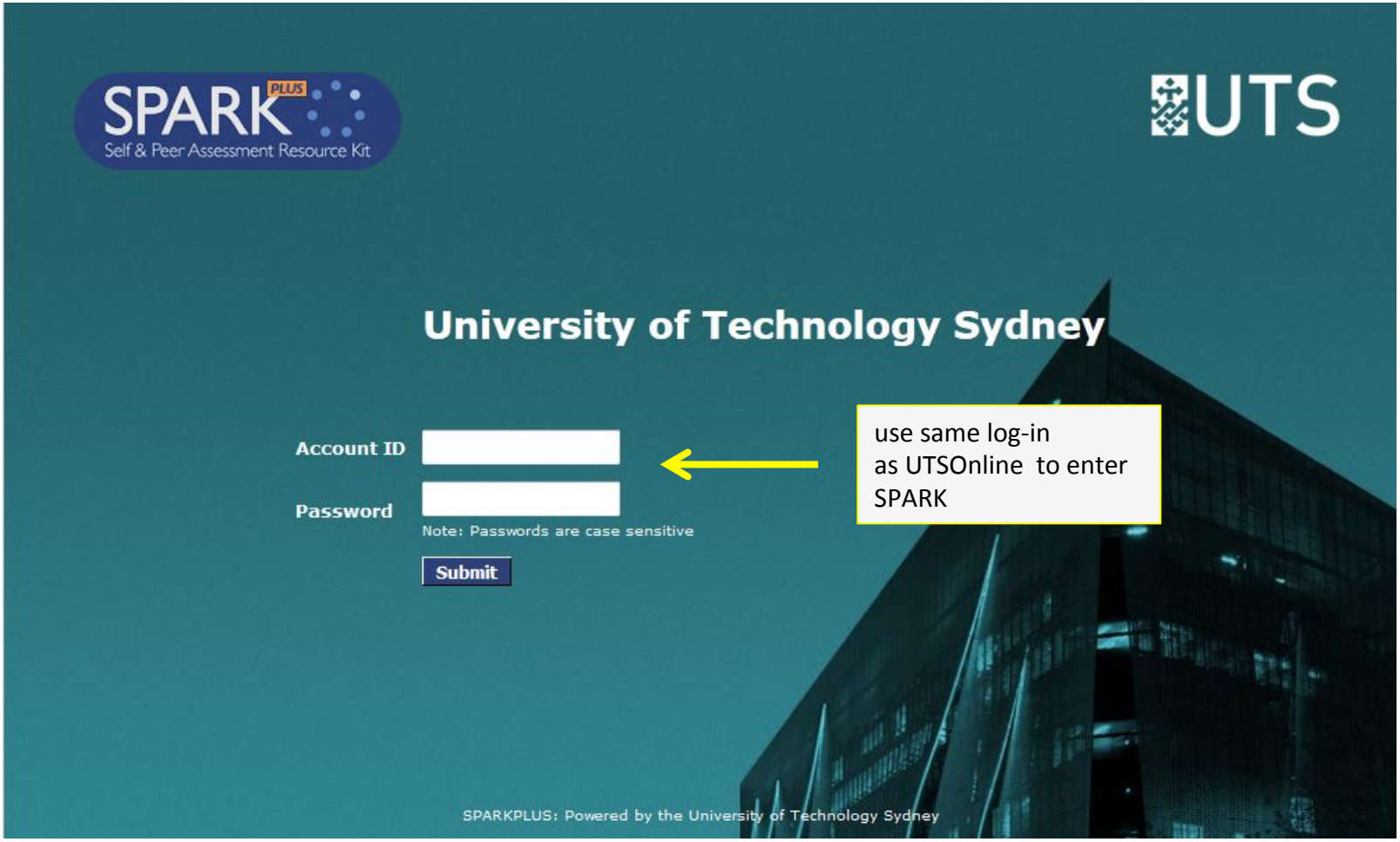
Welcome to Autumn Semester 2015
Posted on: Monday, 16 February 2015 6:04:29 PM EST
Dear all,
Welcome to the Autumn Semester 2015.
I have set up this site as a supplement to the weekly lectures/tutorials for the subject. This is provided for you to raise questions/issues relating to the subject generally and tutorial/assignment work specifically.
- General information about the subject, subject outline and
- Lecture note and information will be posted in the DISCUS
MENTS.
Please ensure that you log in and use this forum regularly
ment to your subject and find it of value. Please use UTSOnline as your first point of contact with your lectu
subject, assignment and tutorial matters.
Access SPARK
via UTSOnline
(it will open in new window)
Week 3
Posted on: Sunday, 8 March 2015 5:23:19 PM EST
Dear all,
Tomorrow we will have a guest lecture on D&C procurement and case studies, and followed by the first D&C workshop which is about the group assignment. The tender document and design brief will be distributed in the c
end of the workshop.
Please note that attending and participating the D&C workshop is compulsory. Please refer to assignment brief for details.
Please also note that tomorrow's guest lecture will form part of the online test at the end of the semester. Therefore it is important that you attend the lecture and take notes.
After the D&C workshop I will also be working on last week's tutorial on investment decision.
Thanks and see you all tomorrow at 9am.
Regards
Grace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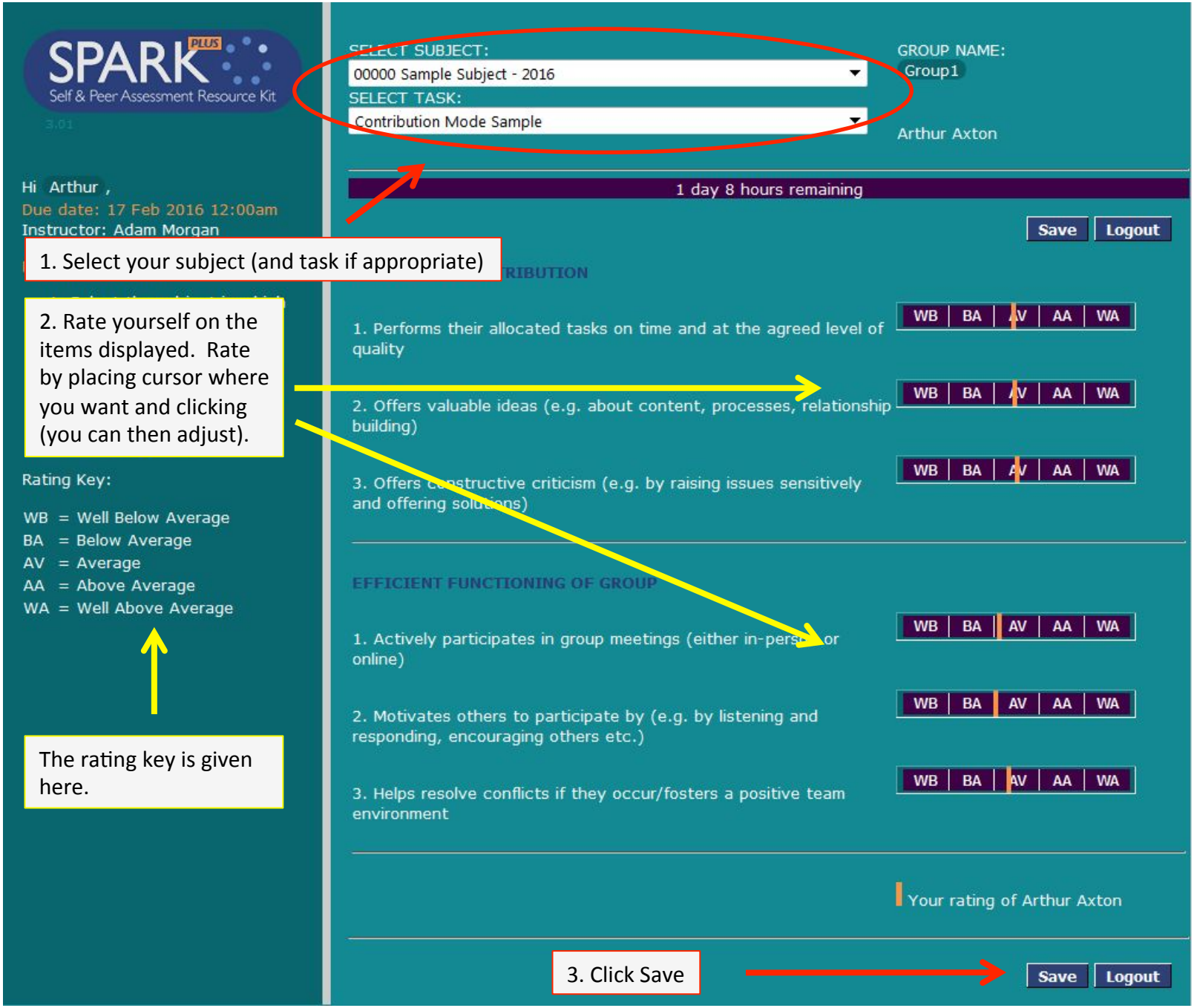
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Hi Arthur ,
Due date: 17 Feb 2016 12:00am
Instructor: Adam Morgan
1 day 8 hours remaining
Save
Logout
1. Select your subject (and task if appropriate)
2. Rate yourself on the items displayed. Rate by placing cursor where you want and clicking (you can then adjust).
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EFFICIENT FUNCTIONING OF GROUP
1. Actively participates in group meetings (either in-person or online)
2. Motivates others to participate by (e.g. by listening and responding, encouraging others etc.)
3. Helps resolve conflicts if they occur/fosters a positive team environment
Your rating of Arthur Axton
Rating Key:
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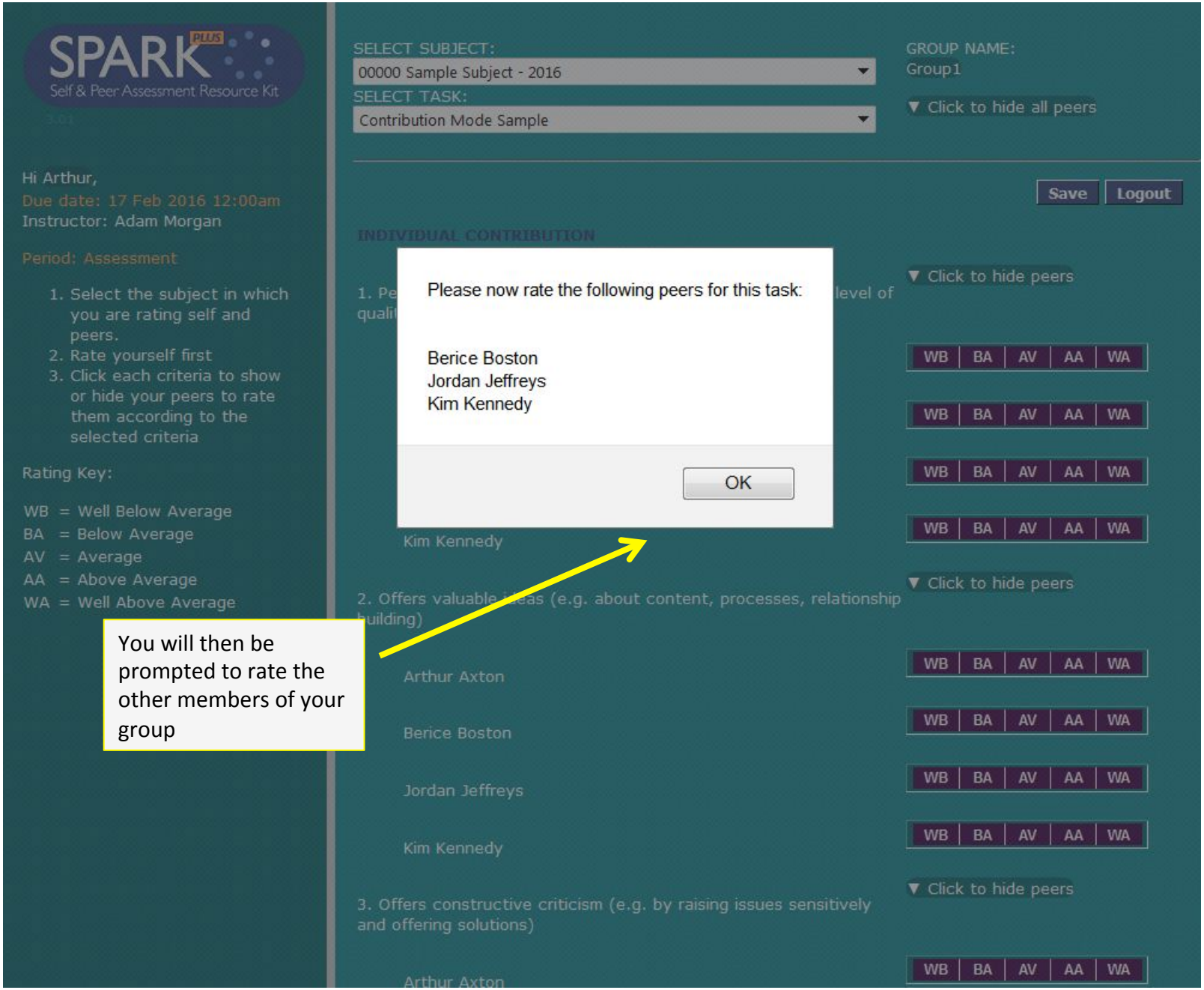
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INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION
Click to hide peers
Please now rate the following peers for this task:
Berice Boston
Jordan Jeffreys
Kim Kennedy
OK
WB BA AV AA WA
Kim Kennedy
Click to hide peers
2. Offers valuable ideas (e.g. about content, processes, relationship building)
Arthur Axton
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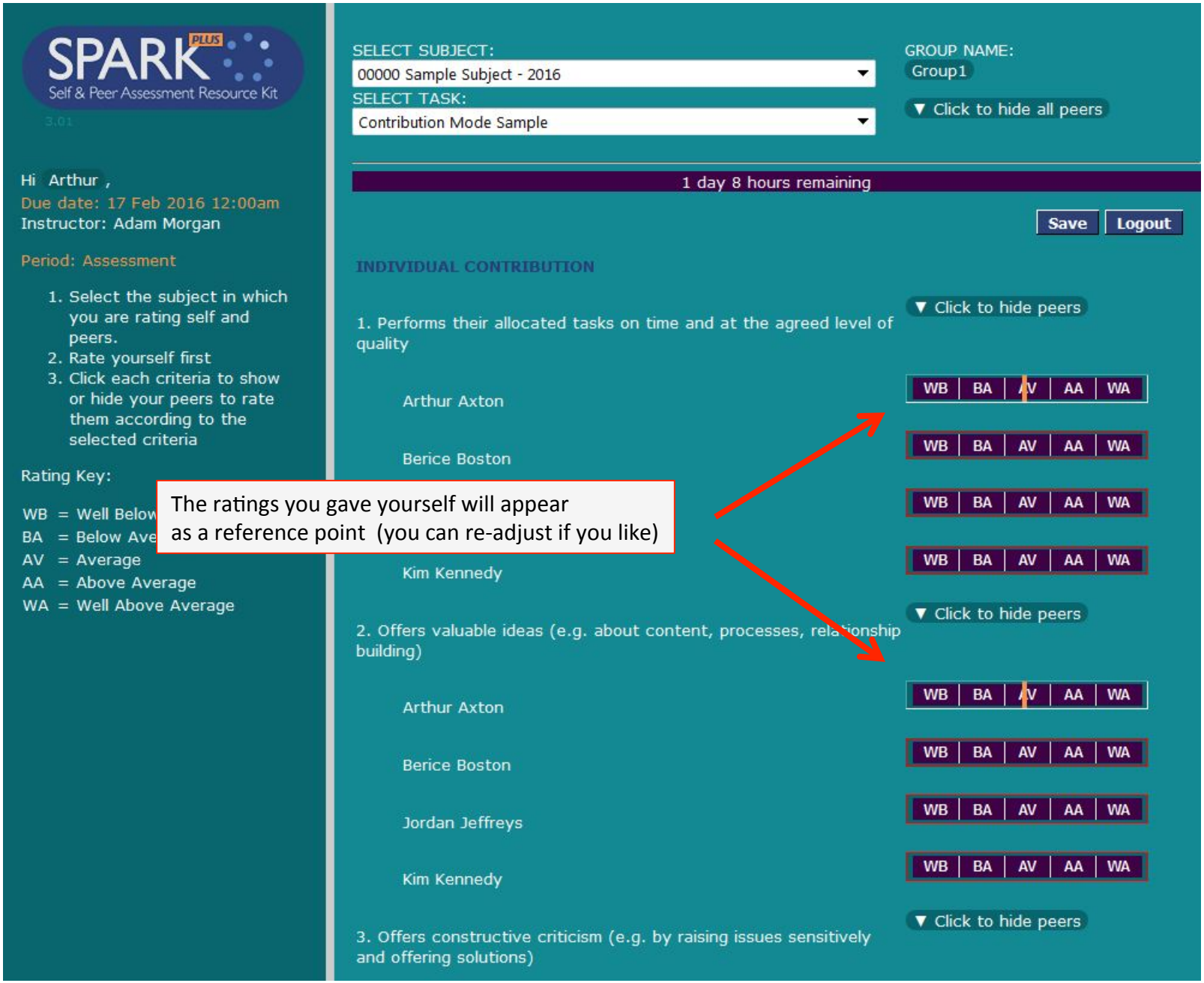
Arthur Axton
You will then be prompted to rate the other members of your group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The ratings you gave yourself will appear as a reference point (you can re-adjust if you like)
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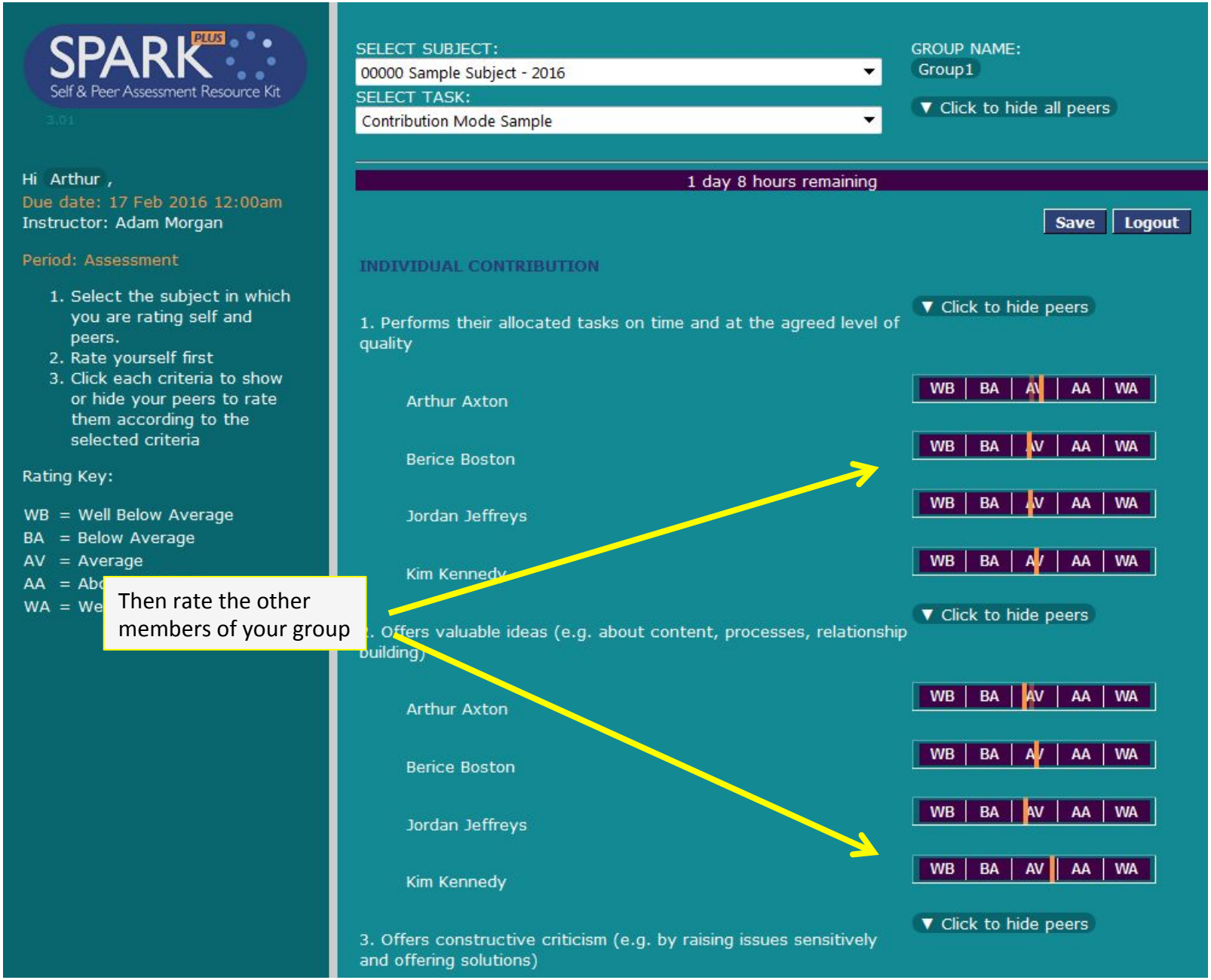
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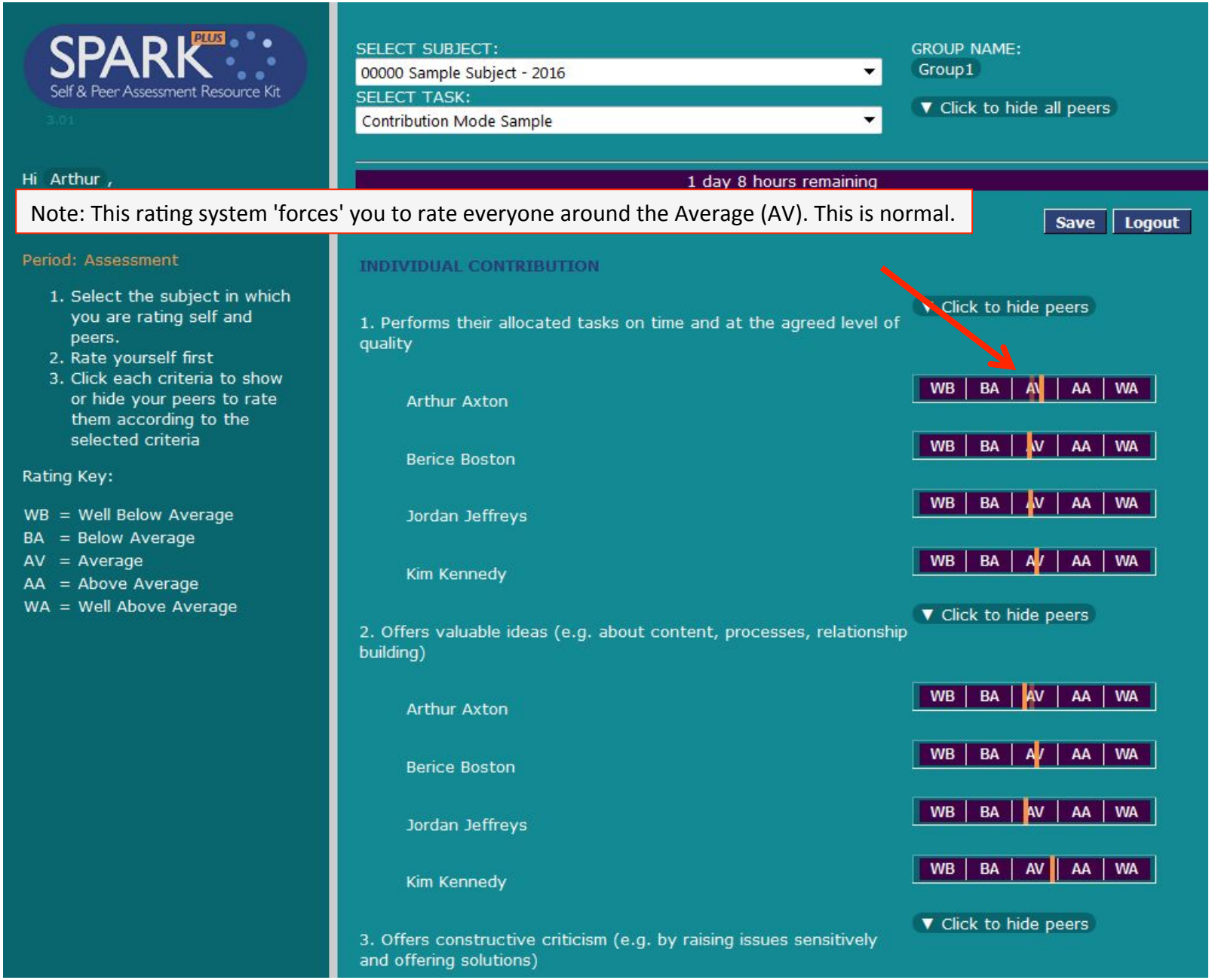
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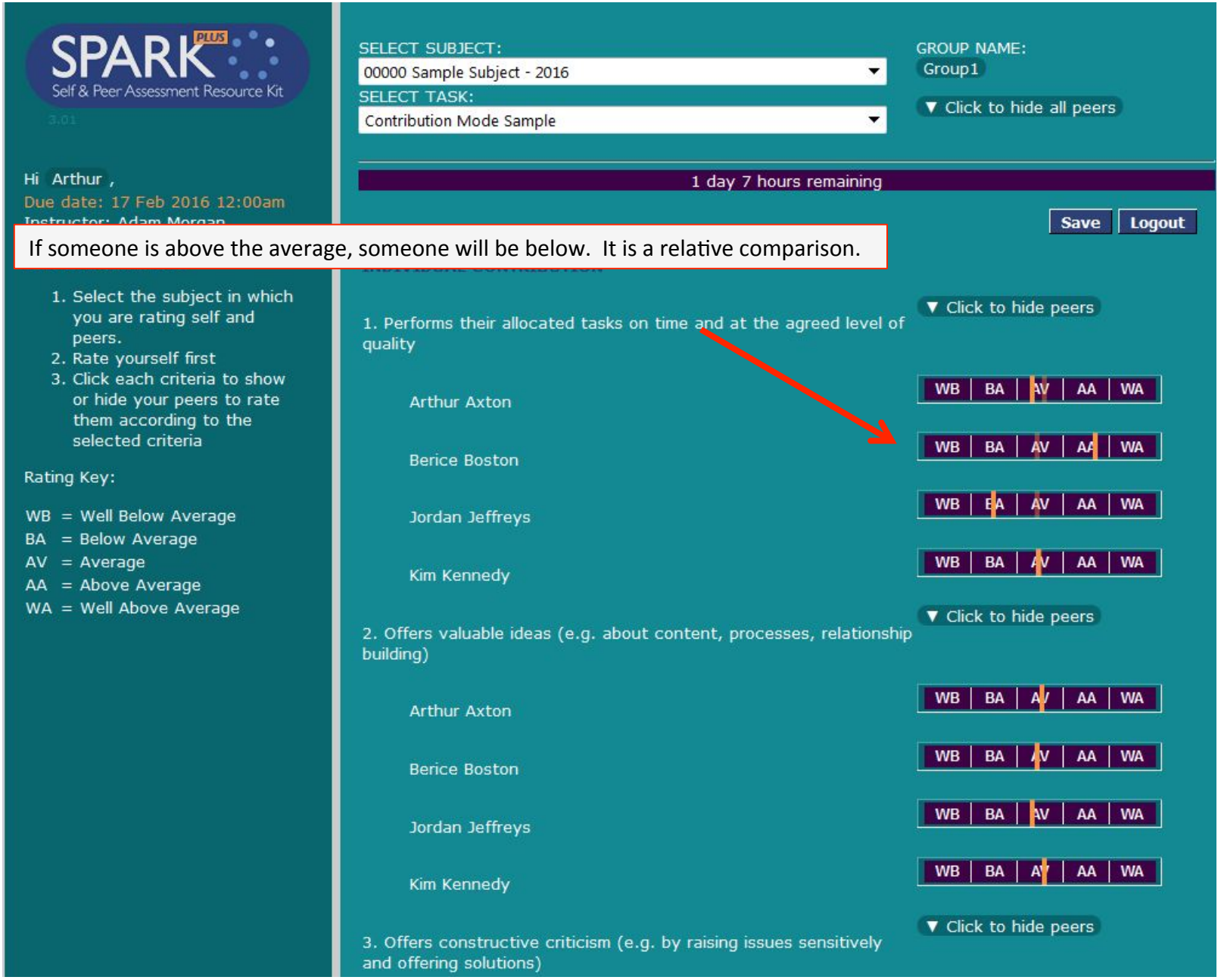
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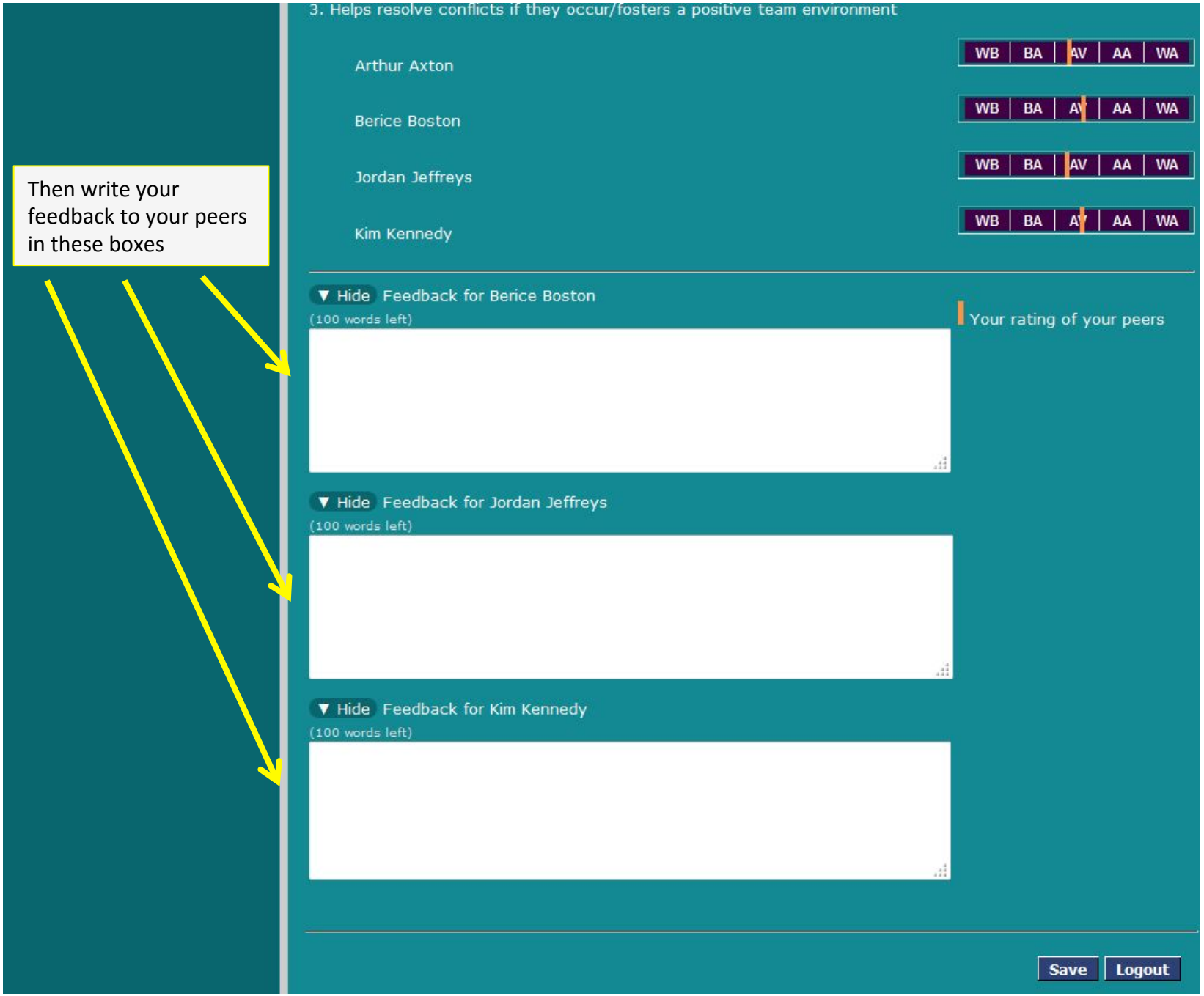
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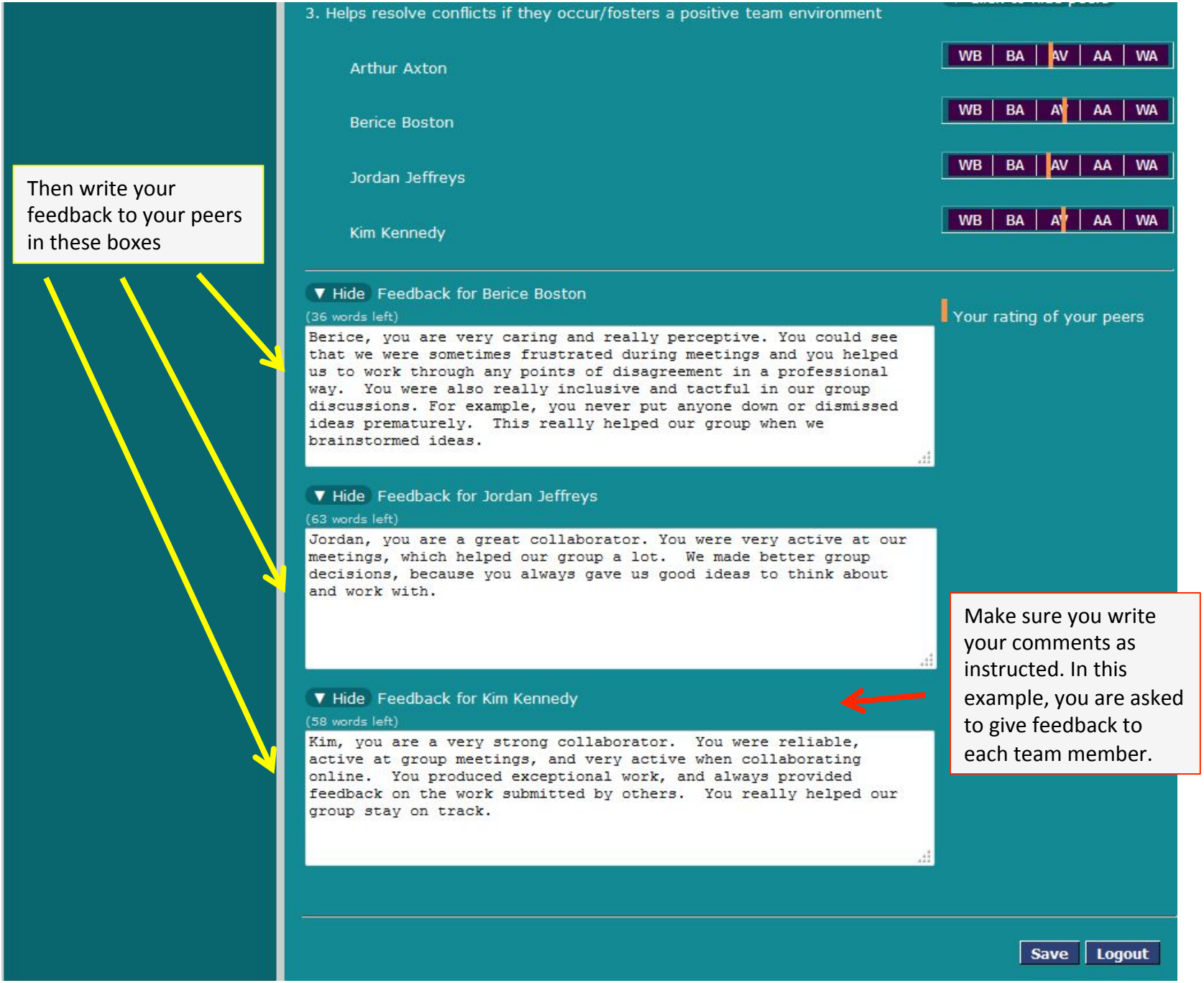
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Berice, you are very caring and really perceptive. You could see that we were sometimes frustrated during meetings and you helped us to work through any points of disagreement in a professional way. You were also really inclusive and tactful in our group discussions. For example, you never put anyone down or dismissed ideas prematurely. This really helped our group when we brainstormed ideas.
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Jordan, you are a great collaborator. You were very active at our meetings, which helped our group a lot. We made better group decisions, because you always gave us good ideas to think about and work with.
▼ Hide Feedback for Kim Kennedy
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Kim, you are a very strong collaborator. You were reliable, active at group meetings, and very active when collaborating online. You produced exceptional work, and always provided feedback on the work submitted by others. You really helped our group stay on track.
Make sure you write your comments as instructed. In this example, you are asked to give feedback to each team member.
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Click Save, then following the prompts...

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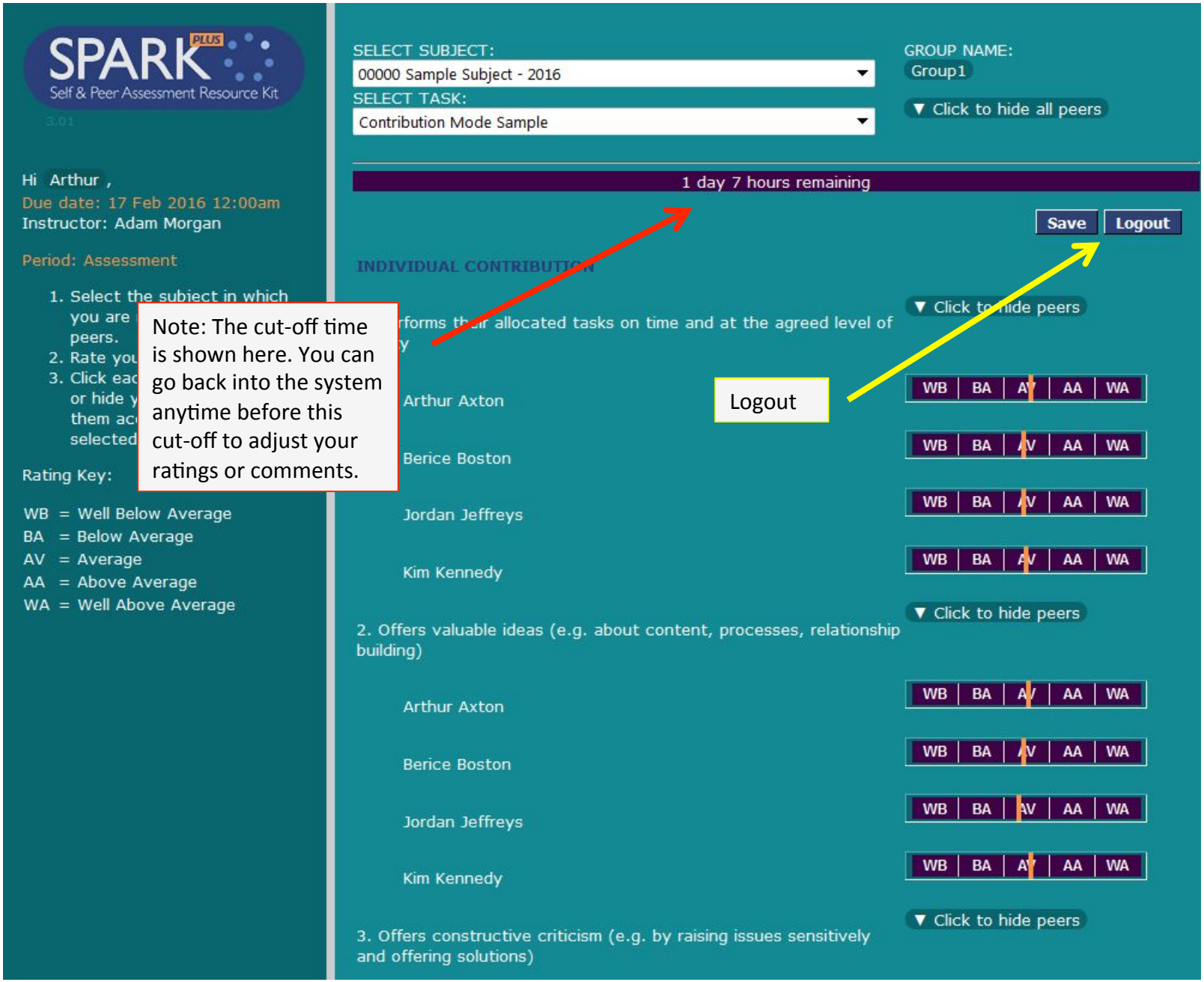
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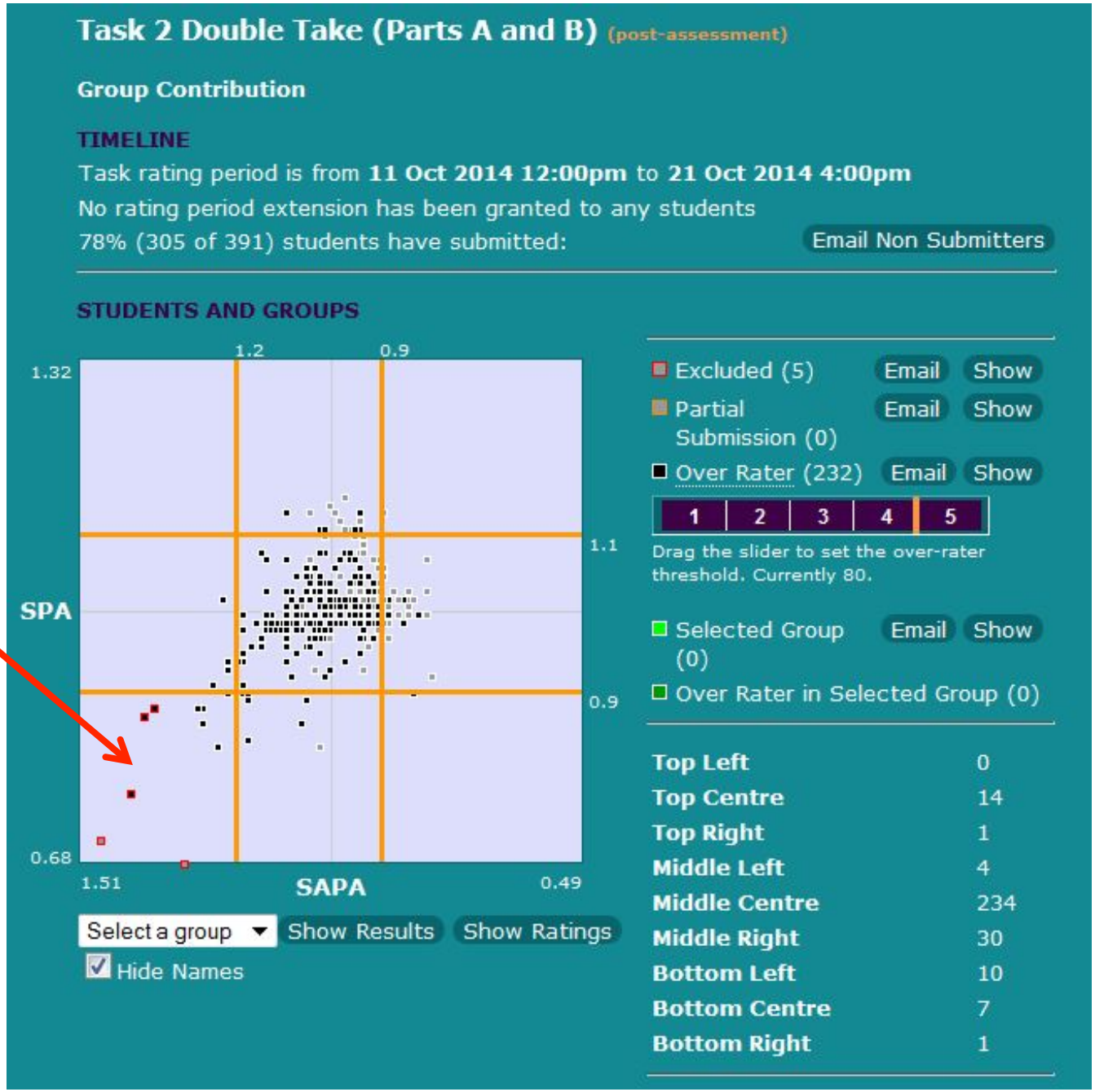
Please don't....

SPARK will identify individuals who try to rate themselves too high. Their ratings will be excluded!



Check for subject documentations/ announcements for when the SPARK rating period begins and ends.