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Notional Component Grade Boundaries

**Edexcel GCE AS/A Level (From 2015 and
2016)**

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Understanding our notional component AS and A level grade boundaries

The introduction of the reformed AS and A levels has meant a change in the way results are calculated and displayed.

The assessment for linear qualifications takes place at the end of the course, with learners taking all components in the same exam session, and grade boundaries are set at qualification level. You can find more information here:

<http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/results-certification/understanding-your-results-information-for-students/edexcel-a-level-results-explained.html>

We have committed to provide you with component-level grade boundaries for those qualifications this summer.

Component-level grade boundaries in these linear qualifications are notional only, and do not equate to a certificated grade.

When considering whether to submit an EAR, it is important to understand that notional grade boundaries - or how close a candidate may be to one - are not relevant.

A change in a notional component-level boundary may not equate to a subject grade change.

For example, if a learner achieves Bs in each of the two components for a reformed AS level the component grade would be a B. If, after an EAR, a component mark changes, and the notional grade increases from a B to an A, the overall AS subject grade may still remain a B when the component scores are combined*.

**if, when combined with the other component scores, the revised total equates to an A grade, the subject grade would be changed accordingly*

AS Art, Craft And Design: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8AD0	Art, Craft And Design Paper 01	Raw	72	47	38	29	21	13	0
8AD0	Art, Craft And Design Paper 02	Raw	72	47	38	29	21	13	0

A level Art, Craft And Design: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9AD0	Art, Craft And Design Paper 01	Raw	90	70	63	51	39	27	15	0
9AD0	Art, Craft And Design Paper 02	Raw	72	54	49	39	30	21	12	0

AS Biology: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8BIO	Biology Paper 01	Raw	80	40	35	30	25	21	0
8BIO	Biology Paper 02	Raw	80	44	39	34	29	24	0

A level Biology: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9BIO	Biology Paper 01	Raw	90	53	44	37	30	23	17	0
9BIO	Biology Paper 02	Raw	90	63	52	44	36	28	21	0
9BIO	Biology Paper 03	Raw	120	73	61	51	42	33	24	0

AS Biology Salters Nuffield: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8BN0	Biology Salters Nuffield Paper 01	Raw	80	49	43	38	33	28	0
8BN0	Biology Salters Nuffield Paper 02	Raw	80	47	41	36	31	26	0

A level Biology Salters Nuffield: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9BN0	Biology Salters Nuffield Paper 01	Raw	100	70	61	53	45	37	29	0
9BN0	Biology Salters Nuffield Paper 02	Raw	100	66	57	48	40	32	24	0
9BN0	Biology Salters Nuffield Paper 03	Raw	100	64	56	48	40	33	26	0

AS Business: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8BS0	Business Paper 01	Raw	80	49	43	37	31	26	0
8BS0	Business Paper 02	Raw	80	53	47	41	35	29	0

A level Business: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9BS0	Business Paper 01	Raw	100	73	67	58	50	42	34	0
9BS0	Business Paper 02	Raw	100	75	68	59	50	42	34	0
9BS0	Business Paper 03	Raw	100	69	63	54	45	37	29	0

AS Chemistry: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8CH0	Chemistry Paper 01	Raw	80	55	48	41	34	27	0
8CH0	Chemistry Paper 02	Raw	80	53	45	37	30	23	0

A level Chemistry: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9CH0	Chemistry Paper 01	Raw	90	74	62	51	40	30	20	0
9CH0	Chemistry Paper 02	Raw	90	80	67	55	43	32	21	0
9CH0	Chemistry Paper 03	Raw	120	95	80	66	52	39	26	0

AS Drama and Theatre: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8DR0	Drama and Theatre Paper 01	Raw	96	80	70	60	50	40	0
8DR0	Drama Theatre Paper 02	Raw	48	31	25	20	15	10	0

AS Economics A: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8EC0	Economics A Paper 01	Raw	80	56	51	46	41	36	0
8EC0	Economics A Paper 02	Raw	80	56	50	44	39	34	0

A level Economics A: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9EC0	Economics A Paper 01	Raw	100	79	70	61	52	43	34	0
9EC0	Economics A Paper 02	Raw	100	76	67	57	48	39	30	0
9EC0	Economics A Paper 03	Raw	100	78	69	59	50	41	32	0

AS Economics B: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8EB0	Economics B Paper 01	Raw	80	48	43	38	34	30	0
8EB0	Economics B Paper 02	Raw	80	49	43	37	32	27	0

A level Economics B: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9EB0	Economics B Paper 01	Raw	100	68	59	51	43	35	28	0
9EB0	Economics B Paper 02	Raw	100	66	57	49	41	33	26	0
9EB0	Economics B Paper 03	Raw	100	73	63	55	47	39	31	0

AS English Language: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8EN0	English Language Paper 01	Raw	50	32	27	23	19	15	0
8EN0	English Language Paper 02	Raw	50	34	29	25	21	17	0

A level English Language: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9EN0	English Language Paper 01	Raw	60	42	37	32	27	23	19	0
9EN0	English Language Paper 02	Raw	45	34	30	26	22	18	14	0
9EN0	English Language Paper 03	Raw	45	35	31	27	23	19	15	0
9EN0	English Language Paper 04	Raw	50	50	44	38	32	27	22	0

AS English Language & Literature: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8ELO	English Language & Literature Paper 01	Raw	50	33	28	23	19	15	0
8ELO	English Language & Literature Paper 02	Raw	50	31	26	22	18	14	0

A level English Language & Literature: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9EL0	English Language & Literature Paper 01	Raw	50	39	35	29	24	19	14	0
9EL0	English Language & Literature Paper 02	Raw	50	39	35	29	24	19	14	0
9EL0	English Language & Literature Paper 03	Raw	60	56	50	43	37	31	25	0

AS English Literature: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
8ET0	English Literature Paper 01	Raw	72	49	41	33	26	19	14	0
8ET0	English Literature Paper 02	Raw	44	27	23	20	17	14	14	0

A level English Literature: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9ET0	English Literature Paper 01	Raw	60	41	37	31	26	21	16	0
9ET0	English Literature Paper 02	Raw	40	32	29	24	19	14	10	0
9ET0	English Literature Paper 03	Raw	60	41	37	32	27	22	18	0
9ET0	English Literature Paper 04	Raw	60	58	52	45	38	31	25	0

AS Fine Art: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
8FA0	Fine Art Paper 01	Raw	72	47	38	29	21	13	13	0
8FA0	Fine Art Paper 02	Raw	72	47	38	29	21	13	13	0

A level Fine Art: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9FA0	Fine Art Paper 01	Raw	90	70	63	51	39	27	15	0
9FA0	Fine Art Paper 02	Raw	72	54	49	39	30	21	12	0

AS French: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
8FR0	French Paper 01	Raw	64	36	31	26	21	17	17	0
8FR0	French Paper 02	Raw	60	37	32	27	22	18	18	0
8FR0	French Paper 3A	Raw	72	44	37	30	24	18	18	0
8FR0	French Paper 3B	Raw	72	44	37	30	24	18	18	0

AS Geography: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8GE0	Geography Paper 01	Raw	90	61	55	50	45	40	0
8GE0	Geography Paper 02	Raw	90	60	54	48	42	37	0

AS German: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8GN0	German Paper 01	Raw	64	41	35	30	25	20	0
8GN0	German Paper 02	Raw	60	40	34	28	22	17	0
8GN0	German Paper 3A	Raw	72	48	41	34	27	20	0
8GN0	German Paper 3B	Raw	72	48	41	34	27	20	0

AS Graphic Communication: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8GC0	Graphic Communication Paper 01	Raw	72	47	38	29	21	13	0
8GC0	Graphic Communication Paper 02	Raw	72	47	38	29	21	13	0

A level Graphic Communication: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9GC0	Graphic Communication Paper 01	Raw	90	70	63	51	39	27	15	0
9GC0	Graphic Communication Paper 02	Raw	72	54	49	39	30	21	12	0

AS History: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8HI0	History Paper 1A	Raw	60	50	45	40	35	30	0
8HI0	History Paper 2A	Raw	40	30	26	23	20	17	0
8HI0	History Paper 1B	Raw	60	49	43	37	32	27	0
8HI0	History Paper 2B	Raw	40	31	27	23	19	15	0
8HI0	History Paper 1C	Raw	60	46	39	33	27	21	0
8HI0	History Paper 2C	Raw	40	32	27	23	19	15	0
8HI0	History Paper 1D	Raw	60	48	42	36	30	25	0
8HI0	History Paper 2D	Raw	40	30	26	23	20	17	0
8HI0	History Paper 1E	Raw	60	45	39	33	27	22	0
8HI0	History Paper 2E	Raw	40	30	26	22	19	16	0
8HI0	History Paper 1F	Raw	60	50	44	39	34	29	0
8HI0	History Paper 2F	Raw	40	32	28	24	20	17	0
8HI0	History Paper 1G	Raw	60	47	41	35	30	25	0
8HI0	History Paper 2G	Raw	40	33	29	25	21	18	0
8HI0	History Paper 1H	Raw	60	48	43	38	34	30	0
8HI0	History Paper 2H	Raw	40	29	25	22	19	16	0

A level History: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries		Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	
9HI0	History Paper 1A	Raw	60	55	51	42	33	24	16	0
9HI0	History Paper 1B	Raw	60	48	44	37	30	23	17	0
9HI0	History Paper 1C	Raw	60	49	45	37	29	22	15	0
9HI0	History Paper 1D	Raw	60	48	44	36	29	22	15	0
9HI0	History Paper 1E	Raw	60	48	44	39	34	29	24	0
9HI0	History Paper 1F	Raw	60	48	44	38	32	26	20	0
9HI0	History Paper 1G	Raw	60	51	47	41	35	29	24	0
9HI0	History Paper 1H	Raw	60	48	44	37	30	24	18	0
9HI0	History Paper 2A	Raw	40	35	31	25	20	15	10	0
9HI0	History Paper 2B	Raw	40	33	29	24	20	16	12	0
9HI0	History Paper 2C	Raw	40	35	31	26	21	16	11	0
9HI0	History Paper 2D	Raw	40	34	30	25	20	15	10	0
9HI0	History Paper 2E	Raw	40	33	29	24	20	16	12	0
9HI0	History Paper 2F	Raw	40	35	31	26	22	18	14	0
9HI0	History Paper 2G	Raw	40	34	30	26	22	18	14	0
9HI0	History Paper 2H	Raw	40	32	28	23	19	15	11	0
9HI0	History Paper 30	Raw	60	50	45	37	29	21	13	0
9HI0	History Paper 31	Raw	60	50	45	38	31	24	17	0
9HI0	History Paper 32	Raw	60	54	49	40	31	22	14	0
9HI0	History Paper 33	Raw	60	48	43	36	29	22	15	0
9HI0	History Paper 34	Raw	60	52	47	39	31	23	16	0
9HI0	History Paper 35	Raw	60	49	45	37	30	23	16	0
9HI0	History Paper 36	Raw	60	51	46	38	30	22	14	0
9HI0	History Paper 37	Raw	60	50	45	37	29	21	14	0
9HI0	History Paper 38	Raw	60	50	45	37	29	21	13	0
9HI0	History Paper 39	Raw	60	50	46	38	30	22	15	0
9HI0	History Paper 04	Raw	40	36	32	28	24	20	16	0

AS Psychology: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8PS0	Psychology Paper 01	Raw	70	39	34	30	26	22	0
8PS0	Psychology Paper 02	Raw	70	37	32	27	23	19	0

A level Psychology New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9PS0	Psychology Paper 01	Raw	90	58	50	44	38	32	26	0
9PS0	Psychology Paper 02	Raw	90	45	39	33	27	21	15	0
9PS0	Psychology Paper 03	Raw	80	43	37	31	25	19	13	0

AS Religious Studies: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 01	Raw	54	42	36	30	24	19	0
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 02	Raw	54	38	33	28	23	18	0
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 03	Raw	54	41	35	29	24	19	0
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 4A	Raw	54	36	31	26	21	17	0
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 4B	Raw	54	36	31	26	21	17	0
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 4C	Raw	54	36	31	26	21	17	0
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 4D	Raw	54	36	31	26	21	17	0
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 4E	Raw	54	36	31	26	21	17	0
8RS0	Religious Education Paper 4F	Raw	54	36	31	26	21	17	0

AS Spanish: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8SP0	Spanish Paper 01	Raw	64	47	40	33	26	19	0
8SP0	Spanish Paper 02	Raw	60	45	38	31	25	19	0
8SP0	Spanish Paper 3A	Raw	72	50	42	34	27	20	0
8SP0	Spanish Paper 3B	Raw	72	50	42	34	27	20	0

AS Textile Design: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries		Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8TE0	Textile Design Paper 01	Raw 72	47	38	29	21	13	0
8TE0	Textile Design Paper 02	Raw 72	47	38	29	21	13	0

A level Textile Design: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries		Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9TE0	Textile Design Paper 01	Raw 90	70	63	51	39	27	15	0
9TE0	Textile Design Paper 02	Raw 72	54	49	39	30	21	12	0

AS Three-Dimensional Design: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries		Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8TD0	Three-Dimensional Design Paper 01	Raw 72	47	38	29	21	13	0
8TD0	Three-Dimensional Design Paper 02	Raw 72	47	38	29	21	13	0

A level Three-Dimensional Design: New Specification

Notional component grade boundaries		Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
9TD0	Three-Dimensional Design Paper 01	Raw 90	70	63	51	39	27	15	0
9TD0	Three-Dimensional Design Paper 02	Raw 72	54	49	39	30	21	12	0