



Notional Component Grade Boundaries

Edexcel AS qualifications (From 2015)

June 2016

Understanding our notional component AS grade boundaries

The introduction of the reformed AS levels in summer 2016 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*

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	50	40	31	22	13	0		
8AD0	Art, Craft And Design Paper 02	Raw	72	50	40	31	22	13	0		

Biology: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8BIO	Biology Paper 01	Raw	80	47	41	36	31	26	0		
8BIO	Biology Paper 02	Raw	80	44	39	34	29	24	0		

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	45	40	35	30	25	0		
8BN0	Biology Salters Nuffield Paper 02	Raw	80	41	36	31	26	22	0		

Business: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8BS0	Business Paper 01	Raw	80	52	46	40	34	29	0		
8BS0	Business Paper 02	Raw	80	54	48	42	36	30	0		

Chemistry: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8CH0	Chemistry Paper 01	Raw	80	53	46	39	32	25	0		
8CH0	Chemistry Paper 02	Raw	80	53	46	39	32	25	0		

Economics A: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8EC0	Economics A Paper 01	Raw	80	59	53	47	41	36	0		
8EC0	Economics A Paper 02	Raw	80	56	50	44	38	32	0		

Economics B: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8EB0	Economics B Paper 01	Raw	80	50	44	38	33	28	0		
8EB0	Economics B Paper 02	Raw	80	52	46	40	35	30	0		

English Language: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8ENO	English Language Paper 01	Raw	50	30	25	21	17	13	0		
8ENO	English Language Paper 02	Raw	50	31	26	21	17	13	0		

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	31	26	22	18	14	0		
8ELO	English Language & Literature Paper 02	Raw	50	29	24	20	16	12	0		

English Literature: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8ET0	English Literature Paper 01	Raw	72	48	40	32	25	18	0		
8ET0	English Literature Paper 02	Raw	44	27	23	20	17	14	0		

Fine Art: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8FA0	Fine Art Paper 01	Raw	72	50	40	31	22	13	0		
8FA0	Fine Art Paper 02	Raw	72	50	40	31	22	13	0		

Graphic Communication: New Specification											
Notional Component Grade Boundaries					Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8GC0	Graphic Communication Paper 01	Raw	72	50	40	31	22	13	0		
8GC0	Graphic Communication Paper 02	Raw	72	50	40	31	22	13	0		

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

Photography: New Specification									
Notional Component Grade Boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8PY0	Photography Paper 01	Raw	72	53	43	33	24	15	0
8PY0	Photography Paper 02	Raw	72	53	43	33	24	15	0

Physics: New Specification									
Notional Component Grade Boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8PH0	Physics Paper 01	Raw	80	45	40	35	30	25	0
8PH0	Physics Paper 02	Raw	80	46	40	35	30	25	0

Psychology: New Specification

Notional Component Grade Boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8PS0	Psychology Paper 01	Raw	70	41	36	32	28	24	0
8PS0	Psychology Paper 02	Raw	70	39	34	30	26	22	0

Textile Design: New Specification

Notional Component Grade Boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U
8TE0	Textile Design Paper 01	Raw	72	50	40	31	22	13	0
8TE0	Textile Design Paper 02	Raw	72	50	40	31	22	13	0

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	50	40	31	22	13	0
8TD0	Three-Dimensional Design Paper 02	Raw	72	50	40	31	22	13	0