

Grade Boundaries

Summer 2017

**External Assessments for BTEC
Level 1/Level 2 Firsts (NQF)**



Pearson

Understanding the external assessment grade boundaries for BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts (NQF)

This document shows the grade boundaries for our BTEC externally assessed units. It includes:

- All paper-based tests that took place in the summer 2017 examination series
- All set tasks that took place in the summer 2017 examination series

Definition of terms

All of the grade boundaries for our BTEC externally assessed units are given in 'raw' marks. A raw mark is the actual mark awarded by our examiners for an assessment. Raw mark scores can be downloaded by Exams Officers from Edexcel Online.

A grade boundary is the minimum mark at which a grade can be achieved. For example, if the grade boundary for a Distinction is 29, then 29 is the minimum mark at which a Distinction can be achieved. A mark of 28 would therefore be a Merit.

In order to calculate the overall qualification grade, unit results are combined by converting unit grades into points scores.

You can find out more about raw marks and points scores at:

qualifications.pearson.com/understandingmarksandgrades

Pearson BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts from 2012 and 2013

Unit results for our BTEC Level 1/ Level 2 Firsts are reported on a 5 point scale. The table below shows the number of points scored per 10 GLH at each grade.

Highest Grade	Lowest Grade			
Level 2 Distinction (D)	Level 2 Merit (M)	Level 2 Pass (P)	Level 1 Pass (L1)	Unclassified (U)
8	6	4	2	0

More information on calculating qualification results can be found in [section 10 of the specification](#).

BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Animal Care			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 1: Animal Health (21883G)		30 GLH	50	41	31	22	13	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Applied Science			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 1: Principles of Science (20460E)		30 GLH	54	41	31	22	13	0
Unit 1: Principles of Science (Welsh) (21909G)		30 GLH	54	41	31	22	13	0
Unit 8: Scientific Skills (20474E)		30 GLH	50	37	28	20	12	0
Unit 8: Scientific Skills (Welsh) (21911G)		30 GLH	50	37	28	20	12	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Art & Design			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 2: Creative Project in Art and Design (20478E)		30 GLH	30	26	20	15	10	0
Unit 7: Recording for Creative Intentions in Art and Design (21357E)		30 GLH	30	25	20	15	10	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Business			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 9: Principles Of Marketing (21325E)		30 GLH	50	37	27	17	7	0
Unit 9: Principles Of Marketing (Welsh) (21927G)		30 GLH	50	37	27	17	7	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Construction and the Built Environment			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 1: Construction Technology (21492E)		30 GLH	50	41	30	19	8	0
Unit 1: Construction Technology (Welsh) (21935G)		30 GLH	50	41	30	19	8	0
Unit 11: Sustainability in Construction (21635E)		30 GLH	50	39	29	19	9	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Children's Play, Learning and Development			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 1: Patterns of Child Development (21486E)		30 GLH	50	39	31	23	15	0
Unit 4: Promoting Children's Positive Behaviour (20123F)		30 GLH	50	40	32	25	18	0

BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Creative Digital Media Production		Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U	
Unit 1: Digital Media Sectors and Audiences (21526E)		30 GLH	50	36	27	19	11	0
Unit 8: Media Industry in Context (21647E)		30 GLH	50	38	31	24	17	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Engineering		Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U	
Unit 38: Materials Used in Engineered Products (20573G)		30 GLH	50	41	31	21	11	0
Unit 9: Interpreting and Using Engineering Information (21174E)		30 GLH	50	39	29	19	9	0
Unit 9: Interpreting and Using Engineering Information (Welsh) (21925G)		30 GLH	50	39	29	19	9	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Equine Studies		Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U	
Unit 1: Equine health and Welfare (21893G)		30 GLH	50	36	29	22	15	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Health and Social Care		Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U	
Unit 1: Human Lifespan Development (20544E)		30 GLH	50	40	32	25	18	0
Unit 1: Human Lifespan Development (Welsh) (21919G)		30 GLH	50	40	32	25	18	0
Unit 9: Healthy Living (20952E)		30 GLH	50	39	31	23	15	0
Unit 9: Healthy Living (Welsh) (21923G)		30 GLH	50	39	31	23	15	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Hospitality		Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U	
Unit 1: Introducing the Hospitality Industry (21541E)		30 GLH	50	39	31	24	17	0
Unit 1: Introducing the Hospitality Industry (Welsh) (21937G)		30 GLH	50	39	31	24	17	0
Unit 9: How the Hospitality Industry Contributes to Healthy Lifestyles (21617E)		30 GLH	50	39	31	23	15	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Music		Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U	
Unit 1: The Music Industry (21512E)		30 GLH	50	42	34	26	18	0
Unit 8: Music and Production Analysis (20375F)		30 GLH	50	39	31	23	15	0

BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Performing Arts			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 1: Individual Showcase (20512E)		30 GLH	42	35	26	18	10	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Public Services			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 1: The Role and Work of the Public Services (21484F)		30 GLH	50	38	29	21	13	0
Unit 1: The Role and Work of the Public Services (Welsh) (21933G)		30 GLH	50	38	29	21	13	0
Unit 6: Citizenship, Society and the Public Services (20537G)		30 GLH	50	36	27	19	11	0
BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Firsts in Travel and Tourism			Max Mark	D	M	P	L1	U
Unit 1: The UK Travel and Tourism Sector (21474E)		30 GLH	50	40	30	21	12	0
Unit 7: Travel and Tourism Business Environments (21627E)		30 GLH	50	41	30	20	10	0