Grade Boundaries

Award, Certificate, Extended Certificate and Diploma in Digital Applications

AiDA
CiDA and CiDA from 2012
CIDA+
DiDA

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Understanding Digital Applications grade boundaries

This document shows the grade boundaries for our legacy suite of Digital Applications qualifications (AiDA, CiDA, CiDA+ and DiDA) as well as the new CiDA from 2012 qualification. For each set of grade boundaries, the maximum number of available marks is also shown.

Maximum marks and boundaries for individual units are shown for both the raw and uniform (UMS) mark scales. Maximum marks and grade boundaries for the overall qualification (the 'cash-in') are only shown in UMS marks.

Definition of terms

A grade boundary is the minimum mark at which a letter grade can be achieved.

Example 1: AiDA (legacy suite of Digital Applications qualifications)

If the grade boundary for a Credit is 23 marks, then 23 is the minimum mark at which a Credit can be achieved. A mark of 22 would therefore be a Pass grade.

Example 2: CiDA from 2012

If the grade boundary for a B is 31 marks, then 31 is the minimum mark at which a B can be achieved. A mark of 30 would therefore be a C grade.

A raw mark is the actual mark awarded by the teacher or examiner for your e-portfolio or your computer-based exam. Raw mark scores can be downloaded by Exams Officers from Edexcel Online.

Raw marks are converted to UMS marks for all Digital Applications qualifications. This is because raw mark grade boundaries may change from exam session to exam session to take into account variations in the difficulty of Summative Assessment Briefs (SPBs) and exams. A Certifying Statement of Provisional Results (results slip) will always show the UMS mark for Digital Applications qualifications.

You can find out more about raw and UMS marks at www.edexcel.com/results

CiDA from 2012

Unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	u
DA201	Developing Web Products	Raw	50	45	38	31	25	0
		UMS	20	16	14	12	10	0
DA203	Artwork and Imaging - Winners take all	Raw	33	29	25	21	17	0
		UMS	60	48	42	36	30	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			**Max Mark**	**A***	**A**	**B**	**C**	**U**
CDA20	Level 2 Certificate in Digital Applications	UMS	80	64	56	48	40	0

AiDA, CiDA, CiDA+ and DiDA

Unit grade boundaries (SPB11)			Max Mark	Distinction	Merit	Credit	Pass	U
D101	Using ICT - WildCare (Level 1)	Raw	42	35	29	23	18	0
		UMS	42	36	30	24	18	0
D201	Using ICT - WildCare (Level 2)	Raw	42	36	30	24	18	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
D102	Multimedia - Window on my world (Level 1)	Raw	42	32	27	22	17	0
		UMS	42	36	30	24	18	0
D202	Multimedia - Window on my world (Level 2)	Raw	42	36	30	24	18	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
D103	Graphics - Take it Away! (Level 1)	Raw	42	35	29	24	19	0
		UMS	42	36	30	24	18	0
D203	Graphics - Take it Away! (Level 2)	Raw	42	37	31	25	19	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
D204	ICT in Enterprise - Fancy That! (Level 2)	Raw	42	36	30	24	18	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
D205	Games Authoring - London 2552 (Level 2)	Raw	42	33	28	23	18	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
Unit grade boundaries (SPB12)			**Max Mark**	**Distinction**	**Merit**	**Credit**	**Pass**	**U**
D101	Using ICT - (Level 1)	Raw	42	35	29	23	18	0
		UMS	42	36	30	24	18	0
D201	Using ICT - (Level 2)	Raw	42	36	30	24	18	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
D102	Multimedia - Tell tale (Level 1)	Raw	42	32	27	22	17	0
		UMS	42	36	30	24	18	0
D202	Multimedia - Tell tale (Level 2)	Raw	42	36	30	24	18	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
D203	Graphics - Set the scene (Level 2)	Raw	42	37	31	25	19	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
D204	ICT in Enterprise - Let's Help! (Level 2)	Raw	42	36	30	24	18	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
D205	Games Authoring - To the rescue! (Level 2)	Raw	42	34	29	24	19	0
		UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			**Max Mark**	**Distinction**	**Merit**	**Credit**	**Pass**	**U**
GA1DA	Level 1 Award in Digital Applications	UMS	42	36	30	24	18	0
GA2DA	Level 2 Award in Digital Applications	UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
GC1DA	Level 1 Certificate in Digital Applications	UMS	84	72	60	48	36	0
GC2DA	Level 2 Certificate in Digital Applications	UMS	168	144	120	96	72	0
GE1DA	Level 1 Extended Certificate in Digital Applications	UMS	126	108	90	72	54	0
GE2DA	Level 2 Extended Certificate in Digital Applications	UMS	252	216	180	144	108	0
GD1DA	Level 1 Diploma in Digital Applications	UMS	168	144	120	96	72	0
GD2DA	Level 2 Diploma in Digital Applications	UMS	336	288	240	192	144	0