



Grade Boundaries

Edexcel International AS/A Level

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Understanding our Edexcel International AS and A level grade boundaries

This document shows the grade boundaries for our modular Edexcel International AS and A level qualifications. For each set of grade boundaries, the maximum number of available marks is also shown.

For individual units, maximum marks and boundaries 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.

International AS units and overall qualifications (cash-ins) are graded A to E. International A2 units are graded A to E but we publish the theoretical A* boundary. Overall International A level qualifications (cash-ins) are graded A* to E.

Where grade boundaries are greyed out for a particular unit, there are no grade boundaries available. This may be because:

- the unit was not available in this exam session
- no-one took the unit in this exam session

Definition of terms

A grade boundary is the minimum mark at which a letter grade can be achieved. For example, if the grade boundary for a B is 60 marks, then 60 is the minimum mark at which a B can be achieved. A mark of 59 would therefore be a C grade.

For modular qualifications, assessments can be taken in various exam sessions throughout the duration of the course.

For linear qualifications, all assessments must be taken in the same exam session.

A raw mark is the actual mark awarded by the teacher or examiner for an assessment. Raw mark scores can be downloaded by Exams Officers from Edexcel Online.

Raw marks are converted to UMS marks for all modular 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 assessments. A Certifying Statement of Provisional Results (results slip) will always show the UMS mark for modular qualifications.

You can find out more about marks at qualifications.pearson.com/raw-ums-marks

Accounting										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WAC11	The accounting system and costing	Raw	200	132	117	102	87	72	0	
		UMS	300	240	210	180	150	120	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WAC12	Corporate and management accounting	Raw	200	161	144	127	110	94	78	0
		UMS	300	270	240	210	180	150	120	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XAC11	International AS Accounting	UMS	300	240	210	180	150	120	0	
YAC11	International A level Accounting	UMS	600	480	420	360	300	240	0	

Biology										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WBI01	Lifestyle, transport, genes and health	Raw	80	62	56	50	44	39	0	
		UMS	120	96	84	72	60	48	0	
WBI02	Development, plants and the environment	Raw	80	51	47	43	40	37	0	
		UMS	120	96	84	72	60	48	0	
WBI03	Practical biology and research skills	Raw	40	33	30	27	24	22	0	
		UMS	60	48	42	36	30	24	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WBI04	The natural environment and species survival	Raw	90	57	52	47	43	39	35	0
		UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	0
WBI05	Energy, exercise and coordination	Raw	90	69	62	55	49	43	37	0
		UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	0
WBI06	Practical biology and investigative skills	Raw	50	44	40	36	32	28	25	0
		UMS	60	54	48	42	36	30	24	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XBI01	International AS Biology	UMS	300	240	210	180	150	120	0	
YBI01	International A level Biology	UMS	600	480	420	360	300	240	0	

Business Studies										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WBS01	Business Enterprise	Raw	80	55	50	45	40	35	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
WBS02	Business structures and processes	Raw	80	51	47	43	39	35	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WBS03	Strategic business decisions	Raw	80	65	59	53	48	43	38	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
WBS04	Business in a global context	Raw	80	65	59	53	47	42	37	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XBS01	International AS Business Studies	UMS	200	160	140	120	100	80	0	
YBS01	International A level Business Studies	UMS	400	320	280	240	200	160	0	

Chemistry										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WCH01	Core principles of chemistry	Raw	80	59	53	47	41	35	0	
		UMS	120	96	84	72	60	48	0	
WCH02	Application of core principles of chemistry	Raw	80	61	54	48	42	36	0	
		UMS	120	96	84	72	60	48	0	
WCH03	Chemistry laboratory skills I	Raw	50	29	26	23	20	17	0	
		UMS	60	48	42	36	30	24	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WCH04	General principles of chemistry I: Rates, equilibria and further organic chemistry	Raw	90	76	71	66	61	56	51	0
		UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	0
WCH05	General principles of chemirty II: Transition metals and organic nitrogen chemistry	Raw	90	65	59	53	47	41	36	0
		UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	0
WCH06	Chemistry laboratory skills II	Raw	50	28	25	22	19	17	15	0
		UMS	60	54	48	42	36	30	24	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XCH01	International AS Chemistry	UMS	300	240	210	180	150	120	0	
YCH01	International A level Chemistry	UMS	600	480	420	360	300	240	0	

Economics										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WEC01	Markets In Action	Raw	80	62	54	46	39	32	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
WEC02	Macroeconomic performance and policy	Raw	80	54	49	44	39	34	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	b	c	d	e	u	
WEC03	Business behaviour	Raw	80	57	52	47	42	37	33	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
WEC04	Developments in the global economy	Raw	80	66	61	56	51	46	41	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XEC01	International AS Economics	UMS	200	160	140	120	100	80	0	
YEC01	International A level Economics	UMS	400	320	280	240	200	160	0	

Further Mathematics										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WME01	Mechanics M1	Raw	75	62	54	46	39	32	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
WST01	Statistics S1	Raw	72	54	46	38	31	24	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WME02	Mechanics M2	Raw	75	64	57	50	43	36	30	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
WST02	Statistics S2	Raw	75	68	61	53	46	39	32	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0

History										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WHI01	A - France in revolution, 1774-1779	Raw	50	39	34	29	25	21	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
WHI02	C - Russia, 1917-1991: From Lenin to Yeltsin	Raw	50	34	31	28	25	22	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WHI03	C - Germany: United, divided and reunited, 1870-1990	Raw	50	38	34	30	27	24	21	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
WHI04	C - The world divided: Superpower relations, 1943-1990	Raw	50	38	34	30	27	24	21	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XHI01	International AS History	UMS	200	160	140	120	100	80	0	
YHI01	International A level History	UMS	400	320	280	240	200	160	0	

Law										
International A level grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
YLA1	English Legal System	Raw	200	103	94	85	77	69	61	0

Mathematics										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WMA01	Core Mathematics C12	Raw	125	106	93	80	68	56	0	
		UMS	200	160	140	120	100	80	0	
WME01	Mechanics M1	Raw	75	62	54	46	39	32	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
WST01	Statistics S1	Raw	72	54	46	38	31	24	0	
		UMS	100	80	70	60	50	40	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WMA02	Core Mathematics C34	Raw	125	114	104	91	78	66	54	0
		UMS	200	180	160	140	120	100	80	0
WME02	Mechanics M2	Raw	75	64	57	50	43	36	30	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
WST02	Statistics S2	Raw	75	68	61	53	46	39	32	0
		UMS	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XMA01	International AS Mathematics	UMS	300	240	210	180	150	120	0	
YMA01	International A level Mathematics	UMS	600	480	420	360	300	240	0	

Physics										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WPH01	Physics on the go	Raw	80	46	42	38	34	31	0	
		UMS	120	96	84	72	60	48	0	
WPH02	Physics at work	Raw	80	49	44	39	34	29	0	
		UMS	120	96	84	72	60	48	0	
WPH03	Exploring physics	Raw	40	31	28	25	22	20	0	
		UMS	60	48	42	36	30	24	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WPH04	Physics on the move	Raw	80	60	54	48	42	37	32	0
		UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	0
WPH05	Physics from creation to collapse	Raw	80	66	61	56	51	46	41	0
		UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	0
WPH06	Experimental physics	Raw	40	33	29	25	22	19	16	0
		UMS	60	54	48	42	36	30	24	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XPH01	International AS Physics	UMS	300	240	210	180	150	120	0	
YPH01	International A level Physics	UMS	600	480	420	360	300	240	0	

Psychology										
International AS unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a	b	c	d	e	u	
WPS01	Social and cognitive psychology	Raw	64	32	29	26	23	20	0	
		UMS	80	64	56	48	40	32	0	
WPS02	Biological psychology, learning theories and development	Raw	96	49	42	35	29	23	0	
		UMS	120	96	84	72	60	48	0	
International A2 unit grade boundaries			Max Mark	a*	a	b	c	d	e	u
WPS03	Applications of psychology	Raw	64	39	35	31	27	23	19	0
		UMS	80	72	64	56	48	40	32	0
WPS04	Clinical psychology and psychological skills	Raw	96	55	48	41	34	27	21	0
		UMS	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	0
Cash-in grade boundaries			Max Mark	A	B	C	D	E	U	
XPS01	International AS Psychology	UMS	200	160	140	120	100	80	0	
YPS01	International A level Psychology	UMS	400	320	280	240	200	160	0	