

Grade Boundaries

Edexcel International GCSE

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Understanding our Edexcel International GCSE grade boundaries

This document shows the grade boundaries for our suite of Edexcel International GCSE qualifications. For each set of grade boundaries, the maximum number of available marks is also shown.

International GCSEs are linear qualifications and only the maximum mark and grade boundaries for the overall qualification are available. These are given in raw marks.

For some of our Edexcel International GCSE subjects, more than one version of each exam paper was available this summer. Countries that are between 5 and 9 hours ahead of the UK will have used exam papers specific to that time-zone. These are indicated in the grade boundaries with an 'R' after the paper number.

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.

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

Accounting												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4AC0	Accounting	Raw	100	88	77	66	55	49	43	38	33	0

Arabic (First Language)												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4AR0	Arabic	Raw	100	85	78	71	64	49	34	20	6	0

Bangladesh Studies												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4BN0	Bangladesh Studies	Raw	120	85	74	63	53	44	35	26	17	0

Bengali												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4BE0	Bengali	Raw	100	78	70	61	52	45	39	33	27	0

Biology												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4BIO	Biology (Papers 1B and 2B)	Raw	180	129	112	95	78	67	56	45	34	0
4BIO	Biology (Papers 1BR and 2BR)	Raw	180	132	114	96	79	70	62	54	46	0

Business Studies												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4BS0	Business Studies	Raw	100	75	64	53	43	38	34	30	26	0

Chemistry												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4CH0	Chemistry (Papers 1C and 2C)	Raw	180	143	125	107	89	77	66	55	44	0
4CH0	Chemistry (Papers 1CR and 2CR)	Raw	180	139	121	103	86	77	68	60	52	0

Chinese												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4CN0	Chinese (Papers 01, 02 and 03)	Raw	100	92	85	77	69	59	50	41	32	0
4CN0	Chinese (Papers 01R, 02R and 03)	Raw	100	92	85	77	70	59	49	39	29	0

Classical Arabic												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4CA0	Classical Arabic	Raw	100	87	74	57	41	33	26	19	12	0

Commerce												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4CM0	Commerce	Raw	100	68	58	48	38	31	24	18	12	0

Economics												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4EC0	Economics (Paper 01)	Raw	120	94	82	70	59	52	45	39	33	0
4EC0	Economics (Paper 01R)	Raw	120	93	81	69	58	52	46	40	34	0

English as a Second Language												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4ES0	English as a Second Language (Papers 01 and 02)	Raw	100	89	79	67	56	49	42	36	30	0
4ES0	English as a Second Language (Papers 01, 02 and 03)	Raw	100	89	79	67	56	49	42	36	30	0
4ES0	English as a Second Language (Papers 01R and 02R)	Raw	100	83	74	65	56	49	42	36	30	0
4ES0	English as a Second Language (Papers 01R, 02R and 03)	Raw	100	83	74	65	56	49	42	36	30	0
4ES0	English as a Second Language (Papers 03)	Raw	20	18	17	14	12	10	8	6	4	0

English Language A												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4EA0	English Language A: Route 1 - Exam only (Papers 01 and 02)	Raw	100	70	61	52	44	37	30	24	18	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 1 - Exam only (Papers 01R and 02R)	Raw	100	67	59	51	43	35	27	20	13	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With coursework (Papers 01, 03 and 04)	Raw	100	78	68	58	49	41	33	25	17	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With coursework (Papers 01R, 03 and 04)	Raw	100	74	66	58	50	40	31	22	13	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 01, 03T and 04T)	Raw	100	78	68	58	49	41	33	25	17	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 01R, 03T and 04T)	Raw	100	74	66	58	50	40	31	22	13	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 1, 03T and 04)	Raw	100	78	68	58	49	41	33	25	17	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 01R, 03T and 04)	Raw	100	74	66	58	50	40	31	22	13	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 01, 03 and 04T)	Raw	100	78	68	58	49	41	33	25	17	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 01R, 03 and 04T)	Raw	100	74	66	58	50	40	31	22	13	0

English Language B												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4EB0	English Language B (Paper 01)	Raw	100	76	70	64	59	49	39	29	19	0
4EB0	English Language B (Paper 01R)	Raw	100	77	72	67	62	50	38	26	14	0

English Literature												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4ET0	English Language A: Route 1 - Exam only (Papers 01 and 02)	Raw	100	73	62	51	41	33	25	17	9	0
4ET0	English Language A: Route 2 - With coursework (Papers 01 and 03)	Raw	100	77	65	53	42	32	22	13	4	0
4ET0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 01 and 03T)	Raw	100	77	65	53	42	32	22	13	4	0
4ET0	English Language A: Route 1 - Exam only (Papers 01R and 02R)	Raw	100	71	58	45	32	25	18	11	4	0
4ET0	English Language A: Route 2 - With coursework (Papers 01R and 03)	Raw	100	78	64	50	37	28	19	11	3	0
4ET0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 01R and 03T)	Raw	100	78	64	50	37	28	19	11	3	0

Fine Art												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4FA0	Fine Art	Raw	100	90	81	71	61	51	41	32	23	0

French												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4FR0	French	Raw	100	84	77	70	63	52	42	32	22	0

Further Pure Mathematics												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E		G	U
4PM0	Further Pure Mathematics	Raw	100	88	77	59	42	25	16	0	0	0

Geography												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4GE0	Geography	Raw	180	131	113	95	78	63	48	33	18	0

German												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4GN0	German	Raw	100	86	74	62	51	42	34	26	18	0

Global Citizenship												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4GL0	Global Citizenship	Raw	80	66	58	50	42	35	28	22	16	0

Graphic Design												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4GD0	Graphic Design	Raw	100	90	81	71	61	51	41	32	23	0

Gujarati												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4GU0	Gujarati	Raw	100	84	69	52	35	28	22	16	10	0

Hindi												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4HN0	Hindi	Raw	100	84	74	64	54	46	38	30	22	0

History												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4HI0	History	Raw	100	82	73	64	55	45	36	27	18	0

Human Biology												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4HB0	Human Biology	Raw	180	148	130	112	94	82	70	59	48	0

ICT												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4IT0	ICT	Raw	100	87	76	65	54	46	38	31	24	0

Islamiyat												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4IS0	Islamiyat	Raw	100	70	62	54	47	41	35	30	25	0

Mathematics A												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4MA0	Mathematics A (Foundation) Papers 1F and 2F	Raw	100				71	56	41	26	11	0
4MA0	Mathematics A (Higher) Papers 3H and 4H	Raw	100	80	62	44	26	13	6			0
4MA0	Mathematics A (Foundation) Papers 1FR and 2FR	Raw	100				67	53	40	27	14	0
4MA0	Mathematics A (Higher) Papers 3HR and 4HR	Raw	100	74	58	42	26	13	6			0

Mathematics B												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4MB0	Mathematics B (Papers 01 and 02)	Raw	100	84	69	49	29	14	6			0
4MB0	Mathematics B (Papers 01R and 02R)	Raw	100	85	71	52	34	17	8			0

Modern Greek												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4MG0	Modern Greek	Raw	100	85	74	63	53	46	39	32	25	0

Pakistan Studies												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4PA0	Pakistan Studies	Raw	120	93	85	77	70	60	50	40	30	0

Photography												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4PY0	Photography	Raw	100	90	81	71	61	51	41	32	23	0

Physics												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4PH0	Physics (Papers 1P and 2P)	Raw	180	128	111	94	77	66	55	45	35	0
4PH0	Physics (Papers 1PR and 2PR)	Raw	180	131	116	101	87	75	63	51	39	0

Religious Studies												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4RS0	Religious Studies	Raw	130	103	92	81	71	62	53	44	35	0

Science (Double Award)												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*A*	A*A	AA	AB	BB	BC	CC	CD	DD
4SC0	Science (Double Award) (Papers 1B, 1C and 1P)	Raw	360	270	252	234	216	198	181	164	152	140
				DE	EE	EF	FF	FG	GG		U	
		Raw		128	116	105	94	83	72			0
4SC0	Science (Double Award) (Papers 1BR, 1CR and 1PR)	Raw	360	256	240	224	208	192	176	161	151	141
				DE	EE	EF	FF	FG	GG		U	
		Raw		131	122	113	104	95	86			0

Sinhala												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4SI0	Sinhala	Raw	100	78	65	52	39	34	29	25	21	0

Spanish												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4SP0	Spanish	Raw	100	82	73	64	56	48	41	34	27	0

Swahili												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4SW0	Swahili	Raw	100	82	73	64	55	48	41	34	27	0

Tamil												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4TA0	Tamil	Raw	100	73	64	55	47	39	32	25	18	0

Textiles												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4TE0	Textiles	Raw	100	90	81	71	61	51	41	32	23	0

Turkish												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4TU0	Turkish	Raw	100	81	71	64	58	46	34	23	12	0

Urdu												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4UR0	Urdu	Raw	100	78	71	64	57	49	42	35	28	0