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Grade Boundaries

Edexcel International GCSE (9-1)

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Understanding our Edexcel International GCSE (9-1) grade boundaries

This document shows the grade boundaries for reformed Edexcel International GCSE (9-1) qualifications. For each set of grade boundaries, the maximum number of available marks is also shown.

International GCSE (9-1) qualifications are linear, and only the maximum mark and grade boundaries for the overall qualification are available in this document. These are given in raw marks.

Definition of terms

A grade boundary is the minimum mark at which a numbered grade (between 9 and 1) can be achieved. For example, if the grade boundary for a Grade 6 is 70 marks, then 70 is the minimum mark at which a Grade 6 can be achieved. A mark of 69 would therefore be a Grade 5.

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

You can find out more about International GCSE (9-1) here:

<http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/results-certification/understanding-marks-and-grades.html>

Accounting														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4AC1	Accounting	Subject	150	127	116	105	94	83	72	57	43	29	0	

Arabic (First Language)														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4AA1	Arabic (First Language) Papers 01 & 02	Subject	125	99	93	88	82	76	70	57	44	31	0	

Bangla														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4BA0	Bangla Paper 01	Subject	100	87	82	78	72	66	60	49	38	28	0	

Biology														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4BI1	Biology Papers 1B & 2B	Subject	180	136	120	104	90	77	64	52	41	30	0	
4BI1	Biology Papers 1BR & 2BR	Subject	180	134	119	105	94	83	72	60	48	37	0	

Chemistry														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4CH1	Chemistry Papers 1C & 2C	Subject	180	162	149	137	122	107	92	75	59	43	0	
4CH1	Chemistry Papers 1CR & 2CR	Subject	180	159	143	128	113	98	84	69	54	40	0	

Commerce														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4CM1	Commerce	Subject	160	92	83	74	65	57	49	41	33	26	0	

Economics														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4EC1	Economics Papers 01 & 02	Subject	160	111	99	88	80	73	66	55	45	35	0	
4EC1	Economics Papers 01R & 02R	Subject	160	110	100	90	83	77	71	59	47	35	0	

English as a Second Language														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4ES1	English as a Second Language Speaking Endorsement	Subject	40	38	34	30	26	23	20	15	11	7	0	
4ES1	English as a Second Language Papers 01 & 02	Subject	150	139	132	125	115	106	97	85	73	62	0	
4ES1	English as a Second Language Papers 01R & 02R	Subject	150	137	131	125	115	106	97	85	73	62	0	

English Language A														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4EA1	English Language A Papers 01 & 02	Subject	150	118	108	98	88	78	68	51	34	18	0	
4EA1	English Language A Papers 01 & 03	Subject	150	127	116	105	94	84	74	57	40	24	0	
4EA1	English Language A Papers 01R & 02R	Subject	150	114	104	94	84	75	66	50	34	18	0	
4EA1	English Language A Papers 01R & 03	Subject	150	121	111	101	91	81	71	55	39	24	0	
4EA1	English Language A Papers 01 & 03T	Subject	150	127	116	105	94	84	74	57	40	24	0	
4EA1	English Language A Papers 01R & 03T	Subject	150	121	111	101	91	81	71	55	39	24	0	

English Language B														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4EB1	English Language B Paper 01	Subject	100	77	70	64	60	56	53	40	27	15	0	
4EB1	English Language B Paper 01R	Subject	100	77	69	62	59	56	53	40	27	15	0	

English Literature														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4ET1	English Literature Papers 01 & 02	Subject	150	114	104	94	83	73	63	46	30	14	0	
4ET1	English Literature Papers 01 & 03	Subject	150	120	109	98	87	77	67	50	33	17	0	
4ET1	English Literature Papers 01R & 02R	Subject	150	114	104	94	83	73	63	46	30	14	0	
4ET1	English Literature Papers 01R & 03	Subject	150	120	109	98	87	77	67	50	33	17	0	
4ET1	English Literature Papers 01 & 03T	Subject	150	120	109	98	87	77	67	50	33	17	0	

Further Pure Mathematics														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4PM1	Further Pure Mathematics Papers 01 & 02	Subject	200	183	166	149	122	95	68	54			0	
4PM1	Further Pure Mathematics Papers 01R & 02R	Subject	200	184	168	152	124	97	70	56			0	

Human Biology														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4HB1	Human Biology	Subject	180	149	139	129	118	107	96	80	64	49	0	

Mathematics A														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4MA1	Mathematics A (Foundation) Papers 1F & 2F	Subject	200					145	120	88	56	24	0	
4MA1	Mathematics A (Higher) Papers 1H & 2H	Subject	200	159	131	104	83	62	41	30			0	
4MA1	Mathematics A (Foundation) Papers 1FR & 2FR	Subject	200					141	112	83	54	25	0	
4MA1	Mathematics A (Higher) Papers 1HR & 2HR	Subject	200	158	130	103	82	61	41	31			0	

Mathematics B														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4MB1	Mathematics B Papers 01 & 02	Subject	300	244	210	177	144	111	78	61			0	
4MB1	Mathematics B Papers 01R & 02R	Subject	300	241	208	175	142	109	77	61			0	

Physics														
Overall grade boundaries				Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4PH1	Physics Papers 1P & 2P	Subject	180	149	135	122	110	98	87	71	55	40	0	
4PH1	Physics Papers 1PR & 2PR	Subject	180	148	134	120	110	100	91	74	57	40	0	

Science (Double Award)

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	99	98	88	87	77	76	66	65	55	54
4SD0	Science (Double Award) Papers 1B, 1C & 1P	Subject	330	281	268	255	242	229	216	203	190	178	166
				44	43	33	32	22	21	11	U		
			Subject	154	139	125	111	97	83	69	0		

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	99	98	88	87	77	76	66	65	55	54
4SD0	Science (Double Award) Papers 1BR, 1CR & 1PR	Subject	330	267	256	245	234	223	212	201	190	179	168
				44	43	33	32	22	21	11	U		
			Subject	158	143	128	113	99	85	71	0		
