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	101	86	71	60	50	40	30	20	10	0

Arabic (First Language)

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4AA1	Arabic (First Language)	Subject	125	94	85	77	70	63	57	46	35	25	0

Bangla

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4BA0	Bangla	Subject	100	85	78	72	58	45	32	26	20	15	0

Biology

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4BI1	Biology	Subject	180	128	111	94	76	58	40	31	23	15	0

Business

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4BS1	Business	Subject	160	84	71	58	46	34	23	18	13	8	0

Chemistry

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4CH1	Chemistry	Subject	180	136	116	97	78	59	40	30	21	12	0

Chinese

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4CN1	Chinese Paper(s) 01 02	Subject	120	109	85	61	55	49	43	33	24	15	0

Commerce

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4CM1	Commerce	Subject	160	73	56	39	31	23	15	12	9	7	0

Computer Science

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4CP0	Computer Science Paper(s) 01 02	Subject	160	120	104	88	69	51	33	28	23	19	0

Economics

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4EC1	Economics	Subject	160	92	80	68	57	46	35	28	22	16	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 Paper(s) 01 02	Subject	150	133	123	113	99	85	71	62	54	46	0

English Language A

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4EA1	English Language A Paper(s) 01 02	Subject	150	108	97	86	74	63	52	39	26	14	0
4EA1	English Language A Paper(s) 01 03	Subject	150	119	109	100	88	77	66	51	36	21	0
4EA1	English Language A Paper(s) 01 03T	Subject	150	119	109	100	88	77	66	51	36	21	0

English Language B

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4EB1	English Language B Paper(s) 01	Subject	100	67	59	52	45	39	33	24	15	7	0

English Literature

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4ET1	English Literature Paper(s) 01 02	Subject	150	102	92	83	71	60	49	36	23	10	0
4ET1	English Literature Paper(s) 01 03	Subject	150	112	101	90	78	66	55	41	27	13	0

Further Pure Mathematics

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4PM1	Further Pure Mathematics	Subject	200	150	109	69	56	44	32	26			0

Geography

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4GE1	Geography	Subject	160	122	108	95	79	64	49	38	27	16	0

History

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4HI1	History Paper(s) 1A 2A	Subject	90	70	61	52	46	40	34	25	16	7	0
4HI1	History Paper(s) 1B 2B	Subject	90	69	60	51	44	37	31	22	14	6	0

Human Biology

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4HB1	Human Biology	Subject	180	127	110	93	82	71	60	45	30	16	0

ICT

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4IT1	ICT	Subject	200	113	91	70	56	42	28	21	15	9	0

Mathematics A

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4MA1	Mathematics A (Foundation) Paper(s) 1F 2F	Subject	200					116	87	64	42	20	0
4MA1	Mathematics A (Higher) Paper(s) 1H 2H	Subject	200	136	111	86	64	42	21	10			0

Mathematics B

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4MB1	Mathematics B	Subject	300	196	155	114	84	55	26	11			0

Physics

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4PH1	Physics	Subject	180	125	103	81	65	49	34	27	20	13	0

Science (Double Award)

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	99	98	88	87	77	76	66	65	55	54
4SD0	Science (Double Award)	Subject	330	233	216	199	182	165	149	133	117	101	85
				44	43	33	32	22	21	11			U
		Subject		69	61	53	45	38	31	24			0

Science (Single Award)

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4SS0	Science (Single Award)	Subject	180	107	89	72	62	52	43	33	23	13	0

Swahili

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
4SW1	Swahili Paper(s) 01 02	Subject	120	98	88	78	66	54	42	35	28	22	0