

# Grade Boundaries

## International GCSE

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## **Understanding International GCSE grade boundaries**

This document shows the grade boundaries for our suite of 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.

### **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.

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**Accounting**

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4AC0	Accounting	Raw	100	91	83	70	58	52	46	40	34	0

**Arabic (First Language)**

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4AR0	Arabic	Raw	100	75	70	65	60	46	32	18	4	0

**Bengali**

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4BE0	Bengali	Raw	100	83	74	65	57	49	41	33	25	0

**Biology**

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4BI0	Biology	Raw	180	140	122	104	87	74	61	48	35	0

**Chemistry**

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4CH0	Chemistry	Raw	180	142	122	102	83	72	62	52	42	0

**Commerce**

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4CM0	Commerce	Raw	100	73	62	51	41	34	27	20	13	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 1 and 2)	Raw	100	73	64	55	47	40	33	27	21	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 1, 3T and 4T)	Raw	100	79	69	59	50	41	33	25	17	0

**English Language B**

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4EB0	English Language B	Raw	100	77	72	67	62	51	40	30	20	0

**Economics**

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4EB0	Economics	Raw	120	93	83	73	63	56	50	44	38	0

English Literature												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4ETO	English Language A: Route 1 - Exam only (Papers 1 and 2)	Raw	100	79	68	57	47	37	27	18	9	0
4ETO	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 1 and 2T)	Raw	100	84	72	60	49	37	25	14	3	0

Human Biology												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4HB0	Human Biology	Raw	180	150	134	118	102	86	70	54	38	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				69	54	40	26	12	0
4MA0	Mathematics A (Higher) Papers 3H and 4H	Raw	100	81	62	43	25	12	5			0

Mathematics B												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4MB0	Mathematics B	Raw	100	77	61	45	29	14	6			0

Physics												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4PH0	Physics	Raw	180	136	119	102	85	72	59	46	33	0

Further Pure Mathematics												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4PM0	Further Pure Mathematics	Raw	100	88	77	57	38	19	9			0

Science (Double Award)												
Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*A*	A*A	AA	AB	BB	BC	CC	CD	DD
4SC0	Science (Double Award)	Raw	360	279	262	245	228	211	194	177	164	151
				DE	EE	EF	FF	FG	GG		U	
		Raw		138	125	113	101	89	77			0