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 qualifications.pearson.com/raw-ums-marks

Accounting

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4AC0	Accounting	Raw	100	90	77	64	51	45	39	33	27	0

Arabic (First Language)

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4AR0	Arabic	Raw	100	84	78	71	65	50	35	20	5	0

Bengali

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4BE0	Bengali	Raw	100	79	71	63	56	48	40	33	26	0

Biology

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4BI0	Biology	Raw	180	131	111	91	72	61	50	39	28	0

Chemistry

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4CH0	Chemistry	Raw	180	139	119	99	80	69	58	48	38	0

Commerce

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4CM0	Commerce	Raw	100	66	56	46	37	31	25	19	13	0

Economics

Overall grade boundaries			Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4EC0	Economics	Raw	120	87	76	65	54	47	41	35	29	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	78	68	58	49	41	34	27	20	0
4EA0	English Language A: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 1, 3T and 4T)	Raw	100	83	73	63	54	44	35	26	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	82	76	70	64	52	40	28	16	0

English Literature

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4ET0	English Literature: Route 1 - Exam only (Papers 1 and 2)	Raw	100	75	65	55	46	37	28	20	12	0
4ET0	English Literature: Route 2 - With transferred coursework (Papers 1 and 3T)	Raw	100	79	68	57	47	36	25	15	5	0

Human Biology

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4HB0	Human Biology	Raw	180	135	116	103	90	78	66	54	42	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				67	54	41	29	17	0
4MA0	Mathematics A (Foundation) Papers 1FR and 2FR	Raw	100				68	55	42	29	16	0
4MA0	Mathematics A (Higher) Papers 3H and 4H	Raw	100	78	61	44	27	13	6			0
4MA0	Mathematics A (Higher) Papers 3HR and 4HR	Raw	100	80	63	46	29	14	6			0

Mathematics B

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E		U
4MB0	Mathematics B Papers 01 and 02	Raw	100	83	66	48	30	15	7	0
4MB0	Mathematics B Papers 01R and 02R	Raw	100	82	65	48	32	16	8	0

Physics

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4PH0	Physics	Raw	180	147	128	109	91	77	63	50	37	0

Further Pure Mathematics

Overall grade boundaries		Max Mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
4PM0	Further Pure Mathematics	Raw	100	91	82	60	39	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	277	259	241	223	205	187	169	156	143
				DE	EE	EF	FF	FG	GG			U
		Raw		130	117	105	93	81	69			0