

COMBINED SCIENCE

International General Certificate of Secondary Education

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0653 (Combined Science) in the October/November 2012 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:			
		A	C	E	F
Component 11	40	29	20	16	13
Component 12	40	29	20	16	13
Component 13	40	29	20	17	14
Component 21	80		34	22	19
Component 22	80		34	23	20
Component 23	80		36	23	20
Component 31	80	39	20	16	14
Component 32	80	44	21	16	14
Component 33	80	43	21	15	12
Component 51	30	24	18	15	12
Component 52	30	22	16	13	10
Component 61	60	35	25	17	12
Component 62	60	35	24	16	12
Component 63	60	37	25	16	12

The threshold (minimum mark) for B is set halfway between those for Grades A and C. The threshold (minimum mark) for D is set halfway between those for Grades C and E. The threshold (minimum mark) for G is set as many marks below the F threshold as the E threshold is above it. Grade A* does not exist at the level of an individual component.

The thresholds for the **syllabus** are determined first by adding together the thresholds for the components taken by the candidate. A reduction may be made at the higher grades depending on the correlation of the papers. If the maximum raw marks for the components are not in the weighting/relationship specified in the syllabus, a weighting is applied to arrive at the overall thresholds. The A* threshold is calculated using the difference between A and B as a starting point.

The maximum total mark for this syllabus is **200**.

The overall thresholds for the different grades were set as follows.

Option	Combination of components	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
BX	11, 31, 51	147	124	101	79	71	64	53	42
BY	12, 32, 52	153	128	103	78	69	61	50	39
CX	11, 31, 61	138	116	94	72	63	55	45	35
CY	12, 32, 62	146	122	96	72	63	55	45	35
CZ	13, 33, 63	147	122	97	73	64	55	44	33
FX	11, 21, 51				97	84	72	59	46
FY	12, 22, 52				94	82	70	58	46
GX	11, 21, 61				89	76	63	51	39
GY	12, 22, 62				89	76	65	53	42
GZ	13, 23, 63				92	78	65	54	43

Grade Thresholds are published for all GCE A/AS and IGCSE subjects where a corresponding mark scheme is available.