PHYSICS

GCE Advanced Level and GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9702 (Physics) in the October/November 2008 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:		
		A	B	E
Component 1	40	32	30	21
Component 2*	60	40	36	25
Component 31	40	30	27	21
Component 32	40	30	27	21
Component 4*	100	70	61	42
Component 5	30	22	20	14

* In the November 2008 session, full credit was awarded to all candidates for some question parts on these papers, in order to address a reported security issue. Grade thresholds are consequently higher this session. The thresholds reported for November 2007 are more representative of the marks that candidates must achieve in order to be awarded key grades.

The thresholds (minimum marks) for Grades C and D are normally set by dividing the mark range between the B and the E thresholds into three. For example, if the difference between the B and the E threshold is 24 marks, the C threshold is set 8 marks below the B threshold and the D threshold is set another 8 marks down. If dividing the interval by three results in a fraction of a mark, then the threshold is normally rounded down.

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

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