

COMBINED SCIENCE

Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0653 (Combined Science) in the October/November 2013 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:			
		A	C	E	F
Component 11	40	29	22	18	15
Component 12	40	29	22	18	15
Component 13	40	30	21	16	13
Component 21	80		37	24	21
Component 22	80		34	22	17
Component 23	80		34	20	17
Component 31	80	38	18	14	12
Component 32	80	37	21	16	13
Component 33	80	44	23	15	12
Component 51	30	20	12	10	8
Component 52	30	21	15	13	9
Component 61	60	34	24	16	12
Component 62	60	35	24	16	13
Component 63	60	33	20	12	10

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	141	118	95	72	65	58	48	38
BY	12, 32, 52	138	118	98	79	71	64	51	38
CX	11, 31, 61	135	114	93	72	63	55	46	37
CY	12, 32, 62	132	113	94	75	66	58	48	38
CZ	13, 33, 63	146	122	98	74	62	51	41	31
EX	04 ,11, 21				106	90	75	64	53
FX	11, 21, 51				95	82	70	60	50
FY	12, 22, 52				96	84	72	56	40
GX	11, 21, 61				95	81	68	57	46
GY	12, 22, 62				92	78	65	53	41
GZ	13, 23, 63				87	72	57	48	39

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