## **BIOLOGY**

## **International General Certificate of Secondary Education**

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0610 (Biology) in the May/June 2011 examination.

|              | maximum           | minimum mark required for grade: |    |    |    |  |  |
|--------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|----|----|----|--|--|
|              | mark<br>available | Α                                | С  | E  | F  |  |  |
| Component 11 | 40                | 31                               | 24 | 20 | 17 |  |  |
| Component 12 | 40                | 31                               | 24 | 20 | 17 |  |  |
| Component 13 | 40                | 31                               | 24 | 20 | 17 |  |  |
| Component 21 | 80                | N/A                              | 30 | 21 | 18 |  |  |
| Component 22 | 80                | N/A                              | 34 | 24 | 20 |  |  |
| Component 31 | 80                | 38                               | 22 | 12 | 9  |  |  |
| Component 32 | 80                | 39                               | 25 | 12 | 10 |  |  |
| Component 33 | 80                | 39                               | 25 | 12 | 10 |  |  |
| Component 51 | 40                | 28                               | 22 | 17 | 14 |  |  |
| Component 52 | 40                | 29                               | 22 | 17 | 13 |  |  |
| Component 61 | 40                | 25                               | 20 | 15 | 12 |  |  |
| Component 62 | 40                | 26                               | 22 | 16 | 13 |  |  |
| Component 63 | 40                | 26                               | 22 | 16 | 13 |  |  |

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 | <b>A</b> * | Α   | В   | С  | D  | E  | F  | G  |
|--------|---------------------------|------------|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| AX     | 04, 11, 31                | 146        | 127 | 108 | 90 | 76 | 63 | 52 | 41 |
| AY     | 04, 12, 32                | 145        | 128 | 111 | 94 | 78 | 63 | 53 | 43 |

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| Option | Combination of components | <b>A</b> * | Α   | В   | С   | D  | E  | F  | G  |
|--------|---------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| BX     | 11, 31, 51                | 137        | 120 | 103 | 86  | 74 | 62 | 51 | 40 |
| BY     | 12, 32, 52                | 139        | 122 | 105 | 89  | 75 | 62 | 51 | 40 |
| CX     | 11, 31, 61                | 134        | 117 | 100 | 84  | 72 | 60 | 49 | 38 |
| CY     | 12, 32, 62                | 134        | 119 | 104 | 89  | 75 | 61 | 51 | 41 |
| CZ     | 13, 33, 63                | 134        | 119 | 104 | 89  | 75 | 61 | 51 | 41 |
| DY     | 12, 32, 84                | 145        | 128 | 111 | 94  | 78 | 63 | 53 | 43 |
| EX     | 04, 11, 21                | N/A        | N/A | N/A | 98  | 86 | 75 | 63 | 51 |
| FX     | 11, 21, 51                | N/A        | N/A | N/A | 94  | 83 | 73 | 62 | 51 |
| FY     | 12, 22, 52                | N/A        | N/A | N/A | 99  | 88 | 77 | 64 | 51 |
| GX     | 11, 21, 61                | N/A        | N/A | N/A | 92  | 81 | 71 | 60 | 49 |
| GY     | 12, 22, 62                | N/A        | N/A | N/A | 99  | 87 | 76 | 64 | 52 |
| НХ     | 11, 21, 84                | N/A        | N/A | N/A | 100 | 87 | 74 | 63 | 52 |

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