ECONOMICS

GCE Advanced Level and GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9708 (Economics) in the May/June 2011 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:			
		Α	В	E	
Component 11	30	24	21	13	
Component 12	30	24	21	13	
Component 13	30	24	21	13	
Component 21	40	26	23	14	
Component 22	40	26	23	14	
Component 23	40	26	23	14	
Component 31	30	23	21	13	
Component 32	30	23	21	13	
Component 33	30	23	21	13	
Component 41	70	49	44	29	
Component 42	70	48	42	27	
Component 43	70	48	42	27	

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 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** for A Level and **100** for AS Level.

For this syllabus in this series the grade thresholds were as follows:

Option	Combination of components	A *	Α	В	С	D	E
AX	11, 21, 31, 41	152	140	128	112	96	80
AY	12, 22, 32, 42	152	139	126	110	94	78
BX	31, 41 and AS from last June	151	138	125	109	93	78
BY	32, 42 and AS from last June	151	137	123	107	91	76

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BZ	33, 43 and AS from last June	151	137	123	107	91	76
CX	31, 41 and AS from last Nov.	156	141	126	110	94	79
CY	32, 42 and AS from last Nov.	156	140	124	108	92	77
CZ	33, 43 and AS from last Nov.	156	140	124	108	92	77
SX SY SZ	AS Level		70	62	54	46	38

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