

Grade thresholds – March 2021

Cambridge International AS & A Level Biology (9700)

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9700 (Biology) in the March 2021 examination.

| | maximum raw mark available | minimum raw mark required for grade: | | | | |
|--------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|
| | | A | B | C | D | E |
| Component 12 | 40 | 26 | 23 | 20 | 17 | 14 |
| Component 22 | 60 | 36 | 30 | 25 | 20 | 14 |
| Component 33 | 40 | 33 | 30 | 27 | 24 | 22 |
| Component 42 | 100 | 70 | 61 | 53 | 45 | 36 |
| Component 52 | 30 | 22 | 20 | 17 | 13 | 10 |

Grade A* does not exist at the level of an individual component.

The maximum total mark for this syllabus, after weighting has been applied, is **260** for A Level, **130** for A2-only A Level, and **130** for AS Level.

The overall thresholds for the different grades were set as follows. Options with the suffix J, e.g. BX (BXJ), refer to A2-only options.

| Option | Combination of Components | A* | A | B | C | D | E |
|--------|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| AY | 12, 22, 33, 42, 52 | 201 | 179 | 157 | 135 | 113 | 91 |
| BYJ | 42, 52 | 105 | 90 | 75 | 62 | 49 | 37 |
| CY1 | 42, 52, 95 | 194 | 172 | 150 | 128 | 106 | 85 |
| CY2 | 42, 52, 98 | 192 | 170 | 148 | 126 | 104 | 83 |
| EV | 42, 52, 75 | 209 | 187 | 165 | 142 | 119 | 97 |
| S3 | 12, 22, 33 | – | 87 | 76 | 65 | 55 | 45 |