GEOGRAPHY

Cambridge International Advanced Subsidiary and Advanced Level

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9696 (Geography) in the October/November 2013 examination.

	maximum	minimum mark required for grade:			
	mark available	Α	В	E	
Component 11	100	62	57	37	
Component 12	100	62	57	37	
Component 13	100	62	57	37	
Component 21	50	32	28	18	
Component 22	50	32	28	18	
Component 23	50	32	28	18	
Component 31	50	34	30	20	
Component 32	50	34	30	20	
Component 33	50	32	28	19	

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.

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.

For AS Level components, small adjustments may be made to the marks awarded for some versions of the paper in order to neutralise any differences in the difficulty of the different versions and so make sure that all candidates face an equal demand.

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
AX1	11, 21, 31	138	126	114	101	88	75
AY1	12, 22, 32	138	126	114	101	88	75
AZ1	13, 23, 33	136	124	112	99	86	74

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Option	Combination of components	A *	Α	В	С	D	E
BY	22, 32, 66	142	128	114	101	88	76
BZ	23, 33, 66	140	126	112	99	87	75
CX	21, 31, 67	140	128	116	103	90	78
CY	22, 32, 67	140	128	116	103	90	78
CZ	23, 33, 67	138	126	114	101	89	77
SX SY SZ	AS Level	64	62	57	50	43	37

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