

PSYCHOLOGY

GCE Advanced Level and GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9698 (Psychology) in the May/June 2012 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:		
		A	B	E
Component 11	80	52	46	28
Component 12	80	51	45	28
Component 13	80	52	46	28
Component 21	70	48	42	26
Component 22	70	48	42	26
Component 23	70	48	42	26
Component 31	80	54	47	24
Component 32	80	56	49	26
Component 33	80	56	49	26

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.

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*	A	B	C	D	E
AX	11, 21, 31	149	132	115	98	82	66
AY	12, 22, 32	151	134	117	101	85	69
AZ	13, 23, 33	151	134	117	101	85	69
BX	31 and AS from last June	159	141	123	107	91	76
BY	32 and AS from last June	161	143	125	109	94	79

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Option	Combination of components	A*	A	B	C	D	E
BZ	33 and AS from last June	161	143	125	109	94	79
CX	31 and AS from last Nov.	156	139	122	106	90	74
CY	32 and AS from last Nov.	158	141	124	108	92	77
SX SY SZ	AS Level		65	57	50	43	36

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