## **COMBINED SCIENCE**

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Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0653 (Combined Science) in the October/November 2011 examination.

	maximum	minimum mark required for grade:					
	mark available	A	С	E	F		
Component 11	40	29	19	16	14		
Component 12	40	29	19	16	14		
Component 13	40	29	19	16	14		
Component 21	80	N/A	40	24	20		
Component 22	80	N/A	32	16	12		
Component 23	80	N/A	32	16	12		
Component 31	80	46	28	19	16		
Component 32	80	44	23	15	12		
Component 33	80	47	23	15	12		
Component 51	30	21	17	13	10		
Component 52	30	24	19	14	11		
Component 53	30	24	19	14	11		
Component 61	60	41	31	21	15		
Component 62	60	35	24	15	10		
Component 63	60	36	27	20	16		

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
BX	11, 31, 51	147	127	107	86	76	65	54	43
BY	12, 32, 52	152	129	106	83	72	62	51	40
СХ	11, 31, 61	147	126	105	84	73	62	51	40
CY	12, 32, 62	144	120	96	73	63	53	43	33
CZ	13, 33, 63	149	124	99	75	65	56	47	38
DX	11, 31, 84	156	134	112	91	78	66	56	46
EX	04, 11, 21	N/A	N/A	N/A	105	88	72	61	50
FX	11, 21, 51	N/A	N/A	N/A	101	86	71	59	47
FY	12, 22, 52	N/A	N/A	N/A	94	78	63	51	39
GX	11, 21, 61	N/A	N/A	N/A	99	83	68	56	44
GY	12, 22, 62	N/A	N/A	N/A	85	69	54	43	32
GZ	13, 23, 63	N/A	N/A	N/A	87	72	57	47	37

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