

HISTORY

Cambridge International Advanced Subsidiary and Advanced Level

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9697 (History) in the October/November 2013 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:		
		A	B	E
Paper 1 (Components 11, 12 & 13)	100	74	69	46
Paper 2 (Components 21, 22 & 23)	100	85	82	55
Paper 3 (Components 31, 32 & 33)	100	68	61	42
Paper 4 (Components 41, 42 & 43)	100	74	69	46
Paper 5 (Components 51, 52 & 53)	100	70	63	41
Carry Forward Components from June 2013				
Component 61 (Papers 11, 12 & 13)	100	71	63	39
Component 63 (Papers 31, 32 & 33)	100	61	55	35
Component 65 (Papers 51, 52 & 53)	100	64	56	34
Component 66 (Paper 06)	100	68	62	34
Carry Forward Components from November 2012				
Component 71 (Papers 11, 12 & 13)	100	72	68	43
Component 72 (Papers 21, 22 & 23)	100	79	76	49
Component 73 (Papers 31, 32 & 33)	100	63	57	38
Component 74 (Papers 41, 42 & 43)	100	68	63	39
Component 75 (Papers 51, 52 & 53)	100	64	58	36

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. When a component is used as an AS level, 6 marks are deducted from the threshold component. As an A Level combines two components, one of which counts as an AS, 6 marks are deducted from the total of the combined components. For example the combined total for an A grade for a candidate completing A Level in Papers 1 and 3 would be 146. The combined threshold is then reduced by 6 marks to allow for one paper counting as an AS. 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.

As examples, for this syllabus in this series the grade thresholds for the most commonly taken options were as follows:

AS Level

Option	Components	A	B	C	D	E
SA, SG, SM	AS Level Components 11, 12 and 13	68	63	55	47	40
SC, SI, SO	AS Level Components 31, 32 and 33	62	55	48	42	36
SD	AS Level Component 41	68	63	55	47	40
SE, SK, SQ	AS Level Components 51, 52 and 53	64	57	49	42	35

A Level

Option	Combination of components	A*	A	B	C	D	E
BX, BY	Papers 11 and 31	146	135	124	110	96	82
CX	Papers 11 and 41	150	141	132	116	101	86
SX1, SZ1	Papers 31 and 71	149	139	129	114	99	85

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