SOCIOLOGY

Cambridge International Advanced Subsidiary and Advanced Level

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9699 (Sociology) in the October/November 2013 examination.

	maximum	minimum mark required for grade:			
	mark available		В	E	
Component 11	50	35	32	22	
Component 12	50	35	32	22	
Component 13	50	35	32	22	
Component 21	50	36	34	24	
Component 22	50	36	34	24	
Component 23	50	36	34	24	
Component 31	75	49	44	29	
Component 32	75	50	45	30	
Component 33	75	49	44	29	

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
BX	31 and AS from last June	149	136	123	110	97	85
BY	32 and AS from last June	152	138	124	111	98	86
BZ	33 and AS from last June	149	136	123	110	97	85



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Option	Combination of components	A*	Α	В	С	D	E
CX	31 and AS from last Nov.	141	131	121	108	95	82
CY	32 and AS from last Nov.	144	133	122	109	96	83
CZ	33 and AS from last Nov.	141	131	121	108	95	82
SW	AS Level		71	66	59	52	46
SX	AS Level		71	66	59	52	46
SY	AS Level		71	66	59	52	46
SZ	AS Level		71	66	59	52	46

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

