## FIRST LANGUAGE CHINESE

## International General Certificate of Secondary Education

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0509 (First Language Chinese) in the May/June 2012 examination.

|              | maximum<br>mark<br>available | minimum mark required for grade: |    |    |    |  |
|--------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|----|----|----|--|
|              |                              | А                                | С  | Е  | F  |  |
| Component 11 | 50                           | 42                               | 31 | 19 | 14 |  |
| Component 12 | 50                           | 42                               | 31 | 19 | 14 |  |
| Component 13 | 50                           | 42                               | 31 | 19 | 14 |  |
| Component 21 | 40                           | 33                               | 24 | 16 | 11 |  |
| Component 22 | 40                           | 33                               | 24 | 16 | 11 |  |
| Component 23 | 40                           | 33                               | 24 | 16 | 11 |  |

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 100.

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  |
|--------|---------------------------|------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| AX     | 11, 21                    | 91         | 83 | 72 | 61 | 50 | 39 | 28 | 17 |
| AY     | 12, 22                    | 91         | 83 | 72 | 61 | 50 | 39 | 28 | 17 |
| AZ     | 13, 23                    | 91         | 83 | 72 | 61 | 50 | 39 | 28 | 17 |

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