



Grade thresholds – November 2021

Cambridge International AS & A Level Biology (9700)

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9700 (Biology) in the November 2021 examination.

	maximum raw mark available	minimum raw mark required for grade:				
		A	B	C	D	E
Component 11	40	26	23	20	17	14
Component 12	40	27	24	20	16	13
Component 13	40	26	22	18	15	12
Component 21	60	37	31	25	19	13
Component 22	60	36	29	24	19	14
Component 23	60	31	24	21	16	12
Component 31	40	28	25	22	20	18
Component 33	40	31	28	24	20	16
Component 34	40	27	24	20	17	13
Component 35	40	30	27	23	20	17
Component 36	40	31	28	24	21	18
Component 41	100	61	53	47	40	32
Component 42	100	66	56	47	38	27
Component 43	100	61	53	47	40	32
Component 51	30	23	20	17	15	13
Component 52	30	21	18	15	12	10
Component 53	30	23	20	17	15	13

Grade A* does not exist at the level of an individual component.

The maximum total mark for this syllabus, after weighting has been applied, is **260** for A Level, **130** for A2-only A Level, and **130** for AS Level.

The overall thresholds for the different grades were set as follows. Options with the suffix J, e.g. BTJ, refer to A2-only options.

Option	Combination of Components	A*	A	B	C	D	E
AX	11, 21, 31, 41, 51	190	168	146	126	106	86
AY	12, 22, 33, 42, 52	198	173	148	124	100	76
AZ	13, 23, 35, 43, 53	189	164	139	120	101	82

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Option	Combination of Components	A*	A	B	C	D	E
BS1	41, 51, 86	199	176	153	130	108	86
BT1	42, 52, 84	199	174	149	123	98	73
BT2	42, 52, 87	200	175	150	124	98	73
BTJ	42, 52	102	85	68	54	40	27
BU1	43, 53, 85	194	172	150	129	108	87
BU2	43, 53, 88	192	170	148	127	106	86
BUJ	43, 53	98	83	68	57	47	37
BY1	42, 52, 85	199	175	151	127	103	79
BY2	42, 52, 88	197	173	149	125	101	78
BYJ	42, 52	102	85	68	54	40	27
BZ1	43, 53, 86	199	176	153	130	108	86
CY1	42, 52, 95	191	167	143	120	98	76
CY2	42, 52, 98	189	165	141	118	96	74
CZ1	43, 53, 96	191	171	151	130	110	90
CZ2	43, 53, 99	193	172	151	131	111	91
EV	42, 52, 75	198	174	150	127	104	82
HY	12, 22, 34, 42, 52	195	170	145	121	97	74
HZ	13, 23, 36, 43, 53	188	164	140	121	102	83
S1	11, 21, 31	–	84	73	62	51	41
S3	12, 22, 33	–	86	74	62	50	39
S4	12, 22, 34	–	83	71	59	48	37
S5	13, 23, 35	–	80	66	56	46	37
S6	13, 23, 36	–	80	67	57	47	38