

THINKING SKILLS

Cambridge International Advanced Subsidiary and Advanced Level

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9694 (Thinking Skills) in the October/November 2013 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:		
		A	B	E
Component 11	30	20	18	12
Component 12	30	20	18	12
Component 13	30	20	18	12
Component 21	45	27	23	14
Component 22	45	26	22	13
Component 23	45	28	24	15
Component 31	50	31	27	12
Component 32	50	26	22	10
Component 33	50	31	27	12
Component 41	50	31	26	17
Component 42	50	28	24	15
Component 43	50	31	26	17

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*	A	B	C	D	E
AW	12, 21, 32, 42	128	114	100	87	74	61

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AX	11, 21, 31, 41	137	122	107	93	79	65
AY	12, 22, 32, 42	128	114	100	87	74	61
AZ	13, 23, 33, 43	137	122	107	93	79	65
BX	31, 41 and AS from last June	137	122	107	93	79	65
BY	32, 42 and AS from last June	128	114	100	87	74	61
BZ	33, 43 and AS from last June	137	122	107	93	79	65
CX	31, 41 and AS from last Nov.	136	119	102	88	74	61
CY	32, 42 and AS from last Nov.	127	111	95	82	69	57
CZ	33, 43 and AS from last Nov.	136	119	102	88	74	61
SW SX SY SZ	AS Level		62	55	48	42	36

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