A guide to percentage uniform marks

This factsheet is a guide for schools in countries where percentage uniform marks appear on statements of results for Cambridge IGCSE, Cambridge O Level and Cambridge International AS & A Level.

We provide the percentage uniform mark as well as the grade for a syllabus. The percentage uniform mark is not the total mark achieved for the syllabus. It is a point on a common scale for all syllabuses to show whether the candidate's performance is close to the top, middle or bottom of the grade.

For example, a candidate who gets the minimum mark necessary for a Grade A* obtains a percentage uniform mark of 90. A candidate who gets a mark halfway between the Grade D threshold and Grade C threshold achieves a percentage uniform mark of 55.

We do not provide a percentage uniform mark when the candidate's result is **Ungraded**, **No Result** or **Pending**. The table below shows the percentage uniform mark range for each grade:

Grade	Percentage uniform mark range
A*	90–100
A	80–89†
B	70–79
C	60–69
D	50–59
E	40–49
F (Cambridge IGCSE only)	30–39
G (Cambridge IGCSE only)	20–29

†In the case of the Cambridge International AS Level qualification, where there is no Grade 'a', the percentage uniform mark range for Grade 'a' is 80–100.'*

The percentage uniform mark is stated at syllabus level only. It is not the same as the actual total mark that the candidate achieves on the syllabus. This is because the percentage uniform mark depends on both the actual total mark for the syllabus and the position of the grade thresholds (which may vary from one exam series to another and from one syllabus to another). The percentage uniform mark is also different from the actual mark because it is always calculated out of 100.

Information for candidates

- The percentage uniform mark shows you whether you are in the middle of a grade, or near either the top or the bottom.
- It does not affect the grade you receive, but gives you more information about it.
- It will appear on your statement of results but not on your certifcate.

Frequently asked questions

Are percentage uniform marks the same as percentage marks reported in my country?

No. Our percentage uniform mark scale is a common scale for Cambridge syllabuses. It cannot be compared directly to percentage marks on other qualifications.

Do percentage uniform marks appear on Cambridge certificates?

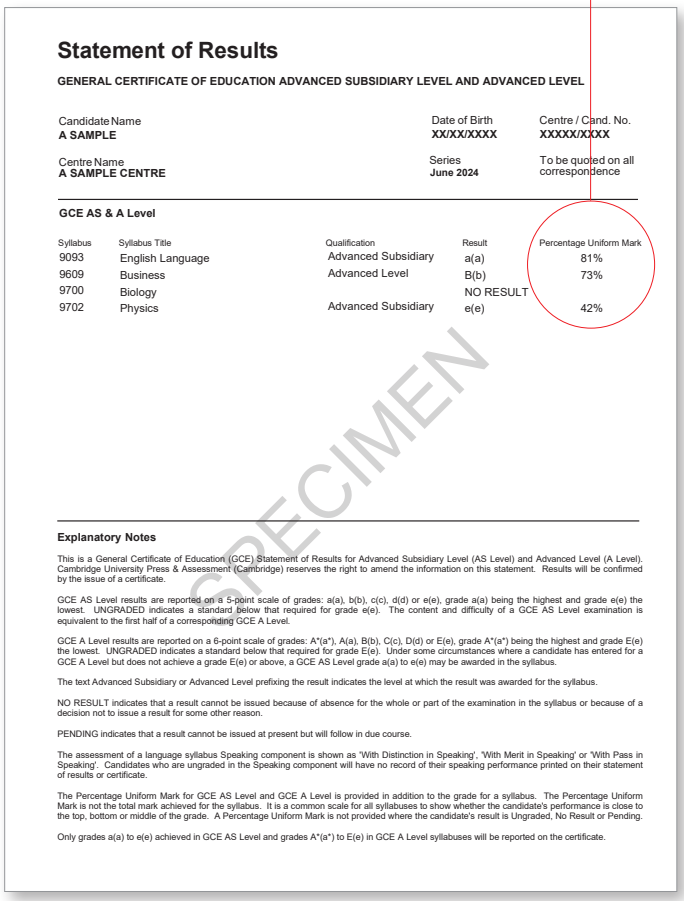
No. They are published on the statement of results to supplement the grade issued at syllabus level.

Is my percentage uniform mark the same as the percentage mark I achieved?

No. Percentage uniform marks depend on the total mark you achieved for the syllabus and the position of the grade thresholds.

Sample statement of results

The illustration below shows how percentage uniform marks are shown on the statement of results, where applicable. The percentage uniform mark will appear on statements of results only, not on certificates.



Statement of Results

GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY LEVEL AND ADVANCED LEVEL

Candidate Name
A SAMPLE

Date of Birth
XX/XX/XXXX

Centre / Cand. No.
XXXXX/XXXX

Centre Name
A SAMPLE CENTRE

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GCE AS & A Level

Syllabus	Syllabus Title	Qualification	Result	Percentage Uniform Mark
9093	English Language	Advanced Subsidiary	a(a)	81%
9609	Business	Advanced Level	B(b)	73%
9700	Biology		NO RESULT	
9702	Physics	Advanced Subsidiary	e(e)	42%

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Explanatory Notes

This is a General Certificate of Education (GCE) Statement of Results for Advanced Subsidiary Level (AS Level) and Advanced Level (A Level). Cambridge University Press & Assessment (Cambridge) reserves the right to amend the information on this statement. Results will be confirmed by the issue of a certificate.

GCE AS Level results are reported on a 5-point scale of grades: a(a), b(b), c(c), d(d) or e(e), grade a(a) being the highest and grade e(e) the lowest. UNGRADED indicates a standard below that required for grade e(e). The content and difficulty of a GCE AS Level examination is equivalent to the first half of a corresponding GCE A Level.

GCE A Level results are reported on a 6-point scale of grades: A*(a*), A(a), B(b), C(c), D(d) or E(e), grade A*(a*) being the highest and grade E(e) the lowest. UNGRADED indicates a standard below that required for grade E(e). Under some circumstances where a candidate has entered for a GCE A Level but does not achieve a grade E(e) or above, a GCE AS Level grade a(a) to e(e) may be awarded in the syllabus.

The text Advanced Subsidiary or Advanced Level prefixing the result indicates the level at which the result was awarded for the syllabus.

NO RESULT indicates that a result cannot be issued because of absence for the whole or part of the examination in the syllabus or because of a decision not to issue a result for some other reason.

PENDING indicates that a result cannot be issued at present but will follow in due course.

The assessment of a language syllabus Speaking component is shown as 'With Distinction in Speaking', 'With Merit in Speaking' or 'With Pass in Speaking'. Candidates who are ungraded in the Speaking component will have no record of their speaking performance printed on their statement of results or certificate.

The Percentage Uniform Mark for GCE AS Level and GCE A Level is provided in addition to the grade for a syllabus. The Percentage Uniform Mark is not the total mark achieved for the syllabus. It is a common scale for all syllabuses to show whether the candidate's performance is close to the top, bottom or middle of the grade. A Percentage Uniform Mark is not provided where the candidate's result is Ungraded, No Result or Pending.

Only grades a(a) to e(e) achieved in GCE AS Level and grades A*(a*) to E(e) in GCE A Level syllabuses will be reported on the certificate.

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