

Grade thresholds – March 2026

Cambridge International AS & A Level Biology (9700)

Component grade thresholds

Component grade thresholds for syllabus 9700 (Biology) in the March 2026 exam series.

Component	Maximum raw mark	Minimum raw mark required for grade:				
		A	B	C	D	E
Component 12	40	32	28	24	21	18
Component 22	60	42	37	32	26	20
Component 33	40	35	32	29	26	24
Component 42	100	66	55	48	41	33
Component 52	30	23	21	18	15	12

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

Your candidates' component marks can be found in Cambridge International Direct or on the component mark report ([CMR](#)). A guide to converting component marks into syllabus grades can be found on our website [here](#).

Syllabus grade thresholds

Syllabus grade thresholds for syllabus 9700 (Biology) in the March 2026 exam series. Syllabus grade thresholds are the minimum marks required for each grade. They are determined from the weighted component thresholds for the listed components.

Some Cambridge International entry options offer more than one possible route to a grade. Where this is the case, candidates are awarded the best grade available to them based on the combination of components they have taken.

Cambridge International A Level (linear assessment)

Combination of components	Maximum weighted mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E
12, 22, 33, 42, 52	260	213	189	165	143	122	101

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Cambridge International A Level (staged assessment)

Combination of components	Maximum weighted mark	A*	A	B	C	D	E
42, 52, 75	260	205	183	161	139	118	97
42, 52, 84	260	202	179	156	135	114	94
42, 52, 85	260	199	174	149	128	108	88
42, 52, 87	260	201	179	157	136	115	95
42, 52, 88	260	199	175	151	130	110	90
42, 52, 95	260	202	178	154	132	111	90
42, 52, 98	260	205	180	155	133	111	90

Cambridge International AS Level

Combination of components	Maximum weighted mark	a	b	c	d	e
12, 22, 33	130	100	89	78	67	56

Note for regions that receive percentage uniform marks (PUMs):

Percentage uniform marks are provided for Cambridge IGCSE, Cambridge O Level and Cambridge International AS & A Level subjects (excluding IGCSE 9–1). They are an additional piece of information provided on the Statements of Results for each candidate. This mark is not the same as the raw or component mark achieved and cannot be used with the grade thresholds documentation.

See our guide to [percentage uniform marks](#) which gives an explanation of what percentage uniform marks are and states the percentage uniform mark range (thresholds).