

Qualification and notional component
raw mark grade boundaries

GCSE (9-1)

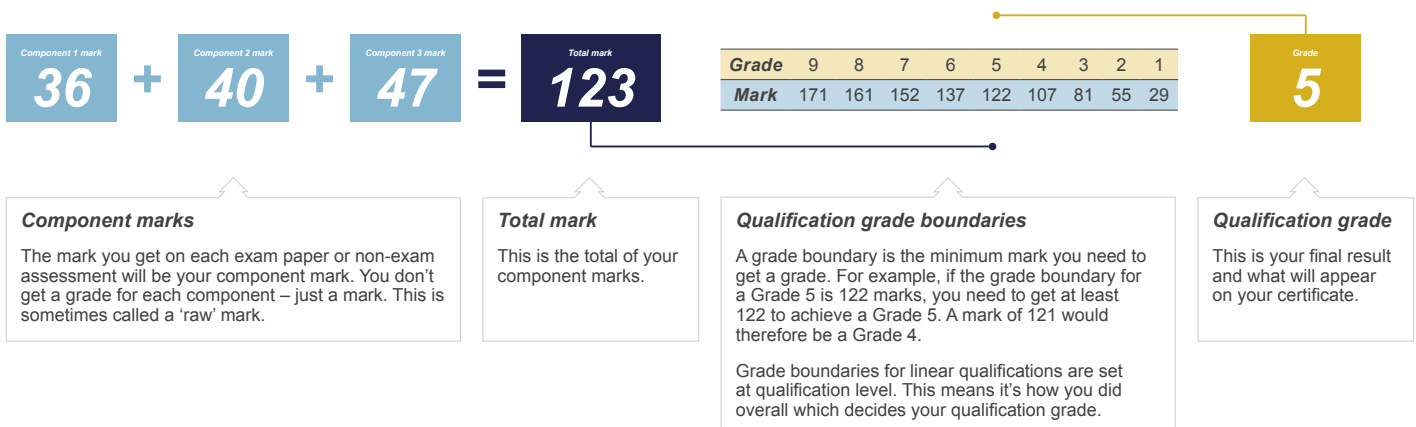
How do we calculate your GCSE (9–1) grade using grade boundaries?

Linear qualifications

GCSEs are 'linear qualifications'. This means all the assessment takes place at the end of the course. Linear qualifications are made up of a number of separate exams or non-exam assessment (coursework) called 'components'.

1 In most cases, we just add the component marks together to get your total mark. For a few qualifications, some components are worth more than the others so we have to work this out first (see below).

2 We check the total mark against the qualification grade boundaries to get your qualification grade.



Component grade boundaries

We know it's useful to see how you did in each component so we also publish component grade boundaries. These show what the grade would be if we gave out grades for components. 'Grades' at component level don't automatically add up to the same grade at qualification level.

GCSE English Language

| | | | | Max Mark | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | u |
|------|----|-------------------------------------|---------|--|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|
| J351 | 01 | Communicating information and ideas | Raw | 80 | 66 | 61 | 56 | 49 | 42 | 35 | 26 | 17 | 8 | 0 |
| J351 | 02 | Exploring effects and impact | Raw | 80 | 66 | 60 | 55 | 48 | 41 | 34 | 25 | 16 | 8 | 0 |
| J351 | 03 | Spoken language (OCR Repository) | Raw | This component does not count towards overall mark | | | | | | | | | | |
| J351 | 04 | Spoken language (Postal Moderation) | Raw | This component does not count towards overall mark | | | | | | | | | | |
| J351 | | | Overall | 160 | 132 | 121 | 111 | 97 | 83 | 69 | 51 | 33 | 16 | 0 |

GCSE Mathematics

| | | | | Max Mark | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | u |
|------|---|----------------------------------|---------|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| J560 | F | 01 Paper 1 | Raw | 100 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 65 | 53 | 40 | 25 | 11 | 0 |
| J560 | F | 02 Paper 2 | Raw | 100 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 56 | 43 | 31 | 20 | 9 | 0 |
| J560 | F | 03 Paper 3 | Raw | 100 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 55 | 43 | 31 | 20 | 8 | 0 |
| J560 | H | 04 Paper 4 | Raw | 100 | 82 | 68 | 55 | 45 | 35 | 25 | 20 | n/a | n/a | 0 |
| J560 | H | 05 Paper 5 | Raw | 100 | 81 | 67 | 52 | 42 | 32 | 22 | 17 | n/a | n/a | 0 |
| J560 | H | 06 Paper 6 | Raw | 100 | 82 | 69 | 56 | 44 | 33 | 22 | 16 | n/a | n/a | 0 |
| J560 | F | <i>Foundation Tier: 01+02+03</i> | Overall | 300 | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 176 | 139 | 102 | 65 | 28 | 0 |
| J560 | H | <i>Higher Tier: 04+05+06</i> | Overall | 300 | 245 | 204 | 163 | 131 | 100 | 69 | 53 | n/a | n/a | 0 |