

Applying through UCAS to study in the UK

How to enter Cambridge IGCSE English Language qualifications on the application form
Cambridge IGCSE (9-1)

If you are applying to study at universities or colleges in the UK, you should apply through UCAS. The application system, available at www.ucas.com, requires learners to enter their qualifications – both achieved and those currently studied. The guidance below will help you enter your Cambridge IGCSE English Language qualification details on the UCAS application form.

Please note: We strongly advise students to check the English language requirements of their selected universities and individual departments/faculties prior to submitting their UCAS application because these requirements can differ depending on your nationality and where you are domiciled. Students who require a Tier 4 visa can find additional information on the Cambridge IGCSE recognition webpage of our website:

<http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/recognition-and-acceptance/>.

Cambridge IGCSE English Language qualifications

There are two Cambridge IGCSE English language qualifications:

- Cambridge IGCSE First Language English – syllabus 0990
- Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second Language – syllabuses 0991 and 0993

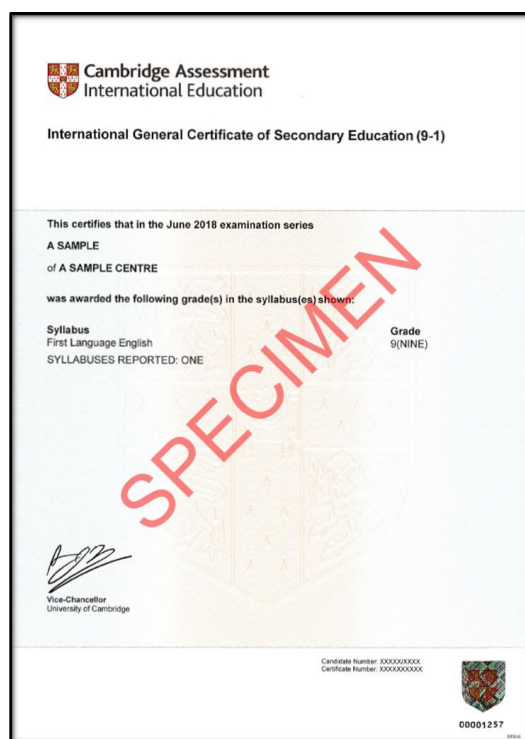
Grades for either First Language English (0900) or English as a Second Language (0991 or 0993) must be entered under the section **International GCSE** on the UCAS online application form.

How will I know which syllabus I have taken?

Your Cambridge IGCSE Statement of Results provides the syllabus information in full. Alternatively, your English teacher will be able to help. You can also confirm which qualification you took by checking which syllabus appears on your Cambridge IGCSE certificate.

In **Cambridge IGCSE First Language English (0990)** the Speaking and Listening test is optional. This means your school decides whether to enter you for this test. The Speaking and Listening test is separately endorsed. This means you receive a separate grade for it. Your endorsement grade will appear on your final certificate as a numerical grade between Grade 1 (high) to Grade 5 (low) alongside your overall grade for 0990. If you took the Speaking and Listening test and the mark awarded was below the minimum standard required for a pass then no endorsement grade will appear on your certificate.

For Cambridge IGCSE First Language English (0990) where the Speaking and Listening test **has not been** taken, only your overall grade (9-1) will be recorded on your final certificate. There will be no endorsement grade of 1-5 on your certificate.



The **English as a Second Language (Count-in Speaking) (0991)** syllabus means that the marks for the speaking component contribute to the overall grade. This grade is recorded on your final certificate.

For **Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second Language (0993)** the Speaking (Oral/Aural) test is separately endorsed. This means that the mark for your speaking test does not contribute to your overall grade. The speaking test is marked separately and the mark will appear on your final certificate as a numerical grade between Grade 1 (high) to Grade 5 (low) alongside your overall grade (9-1). If you took the Speaking test and the mark awarded was below the minimum standard required for a pass grade then no numerical grade will appear on your certificate.

How to enter the grade for your Cambridge IGCSE English language qualification on your UCAS Application

Cambridge IGCSE First Language English (0990) or Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second Language (0991 or 0993)

Go to the section titled "Education". Click on "add qualifications" as indicated below:

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We need to know any qualifications you have taken or are currently taking. When you have entered all of your centres and qualifications, click on 'section completed' and 'save'.

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Please state the highest level of qualification you expect to have before you start your course*

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Type "IGCSE" in the "Search" box. This will take you to the section *International GCSE*

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Please search for the qualification title, eg 'A level' and not the subject, eg 'chemistry'.
Overseas qualifications will be listed alphabetically under the name of the country they were taken in.

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[SQA Scottish Highers](#)
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How to select the correct Cambridge IGCSE English Language qualification:

- a) For **Cambridge IGCSE First Language English (0990) with the Speaking and Listening component:**
Select *English 1st Lang CIE 0500 (inc Speaking/Listening)*. Enter your overall grade PLUS your speaking/listening endorsement grade together in the “other” box, next to the *Grade* box.

For example: if you achieved a grade 9 plus a grade 1 for Speaking/Listening, enter 9 - 1 in the “other” box; if you achieved a grade 8 plus a grade 2 for Speaking/Listening, enter 8 – 2 in the “other” box.

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International GCSE (9-1)

Please enter details below, using the 'other' boxes only where the applicable option cannot be found in the lists provided.

Title*

Qualification date*

Awarding organisation*

Grade*

Module / unit 1

Subject

Qualification date

Grade

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- b) For **Cambridge IGCSE First Language English (0990) without the Speaking and Listening component**:
 Select *English 1st Lang CIE 0500 (no Speaking/Listening)*. Enter your grade using the drop-down list.

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International GCSE (9-1)

Please enter details below, using the 'other' boxes only where the applicable option cannot be found in the lists provided.

Title*

Qualification date*

Awarding organisation*

Grade*

Module / unit 1

Subject

Qualification date

Grade

- c) For **Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second Language (0991)**:
 Select *English as a Second Language - 0991*. Enter your grade using the drop-down list.

The screenshot shows the UCAS 2021 apply Education portal. The page title is "International GCSE (9-1)". The form fields are as follows:

- Title***: English as a Second Language - 0991 (selected in dropdown), (other) [text box]
- Qualification date***: June (selected in dropdown), Year (selected in dropdown)
- Awarding organisation***: CAIE (selected in dropdown), (other) [text box]
- Grade***: 7 (selected in dropdown), (other) [text box]
- Module / unit 1**:
 - Subject**: Please select... (selected in dropdown), (other) [text box]
 - Qualification date**: Month (selected in dropdown), Year (selected in dropdown)
 - Grade**: [text box]

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- d) For **Cambridge IGCSE English as a Second Language (0993)**: Select *English as a Second Language – 0993* (Enter your overall grade PLUS your oral/aural endorsement grade together in the “other” box, next to the Grade box.
 For example, if you have achieved a grade 7 plus a Merit for your Speaking (Oral/Aural) test, enter 7 – Merit in the “other” box; if you have achieved a grade 4 plus a Pass for your Speaking (Oral/Aural) test, enter 4 – Pass in the “other” box.

The screenshot shows the UCAS 2021 apply Education portal. The page title is "International GCSE (9-1)". The form fields are as follows:

- Title***: English as a Second Language - 0993 (selected in dropdown), (other) [text box]
- Qualification date***: June (selected in dropdown), Year (selected in dropdown)
- Awarding organisation***: CAIE (selected in dropdown), (other) [text box]
- Grade***: Please select... (selected in dropdown), (other) 7 - Merit [text box]
- Module / unit 1**:
 - Subject**: Please select... (selected in dropdown), (other) [text box]
 - Qualification date**: Month (selected in dropdown), Year (selected in dropdown)
 - Grade**: [text box]

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