

# Cambridge Guide to Results Despatch – March series

This guide tells you everything you need to know about the provisional results documents in the Cambridge results despatch for the qualifications listed below. It also gives you information about the grades and results for the Cambridge ICE and Cambridge AICE Diploma, enquiries about results, and certificates.

- International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE™)
- International Certificate of Education (ICE)
- General Certificate of Education – Advanced Subsidiary Level (GCE AS Level) and Advanced Level (GCE A Level)
- Advanced International Certificate of Education Diploma (AICE Diploma)
- Cambridge International Project Qualification (CIPQ)

## What is the Cambridge results despatch?

Your results despatch contains the information you need about the March series exam results. The 'hard copy results reports' table on pages 2–3 lists the documents included in your despatch, and tells you what you need to do with them.

## What do we mean by 'PENDING' and 'NO RESULT'?

You may see these terms on your results reports:

- 'PENDING or Q' means the result cannot be issued at present and will follow in due course.
- 'NO RESULT or X' means one of the following:
  - We were told the candidate was absent or withdrawn from one or more components of the exam and so is not eligible for the award of a grade.
  - There is no record of a mark in one or more components of the exam for the candidate and we were not told they were absent or withdrawn. Therefore, they are not eligible for the award of a grade.
  - We disqualified the candidate. Where this is the case, we will have already contacted you explaining the reasons for the disqualification.

## Results related documentation provided only in hard copy

Item	Description	What do I do with it?
Statement of results	<p>A document for each individual candidate giving details of the syllabuses they entered and the syllabus grades they have been awarded.</p> <p>Explanatory notes are printed on the statement of results. They explain what the qualification and syllabus grades mean.</p> <p>Statements of results are not certificates and show provisional results. They may not be accepted by universities or other public bodies as proof of a candidate's results.</p> <p>We reserve the right to update any of the information issued on a statement of results before certificates are issued.</p> <p>Results for Cambridge IGCSE and Cambridge ICE are combined on a single statement of results.</p> <p>Cambridge International AS Level &amp; A Level, and Cambridge AICE, are combined on a single statement of results</p>	<p>You should distribute statements of results to candidates as soon as possible.</p> <p>If you find any errors on your statement of results, or if they have been damaged or altered, please contact us immediately: <a href="mailto:info@cambridgeinternational.org">info@cambridgeinternational.org</a></p>
Syllabus results and component grades	<p>A list for each syllabus option, showing candidates' results and component grades.</p> <p>The list enables teachers to compare the standards reached by candidates in the individual components of each syllabus. The component grades will not always correspond exactly to the overall syllabus grade. This is because the final syllabus grade is derived from an aggregation (combination) of the candidate's marks and not the component grades.</p> <p>The results for private candidates are shown separately and are not included in the summary section of the document.</p>	<p>Pass these lists on to relevant teaching staff. Tell them they are for their information only and must not be made public or shared with prospective employers, universities, or authorities responsible for admissions to universities or other institutions of higher education.</p>
Results broadsheet	<p>A document showing the syllabus grades of all candidates. Private candidates' syllabus grades are shown separately.</p>	<p>Pass these on to relevant staff in your centre. Tell staff they are for their information only and must not be made public or shared with prospective employers, universities, or authorities responsible for admissions to universities or other institutions of higher education.</p>
Moderation adjustments summary report	<p>A summary by qualification, for each internally assessed component, to show the adjustments we have made to your internally assessed marks. 'No Adjustment' means we have not altered your marks.</p> <p>We make adjustments to the marks submitted by you and not to the</p>	<p>Pass these lists onto the relevant teaching staff. Tell teaching staff that they are for their information only and must not be made public or shared with prospective employers, universities,</p>

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<i>This report is only provided if your centre has candidates entered for internally assessed components</i>	<p>marks that have been through the weighting* process. Therefore, please take care when interpreting the adjustments and pay attention to the maximum mark for each component as it influences the significance of the adjustment. For example, an adjustment of +2 for a component with a maximum mark of 40 is more significant than an adjustment of +6 for a component with a maximum mark of 150.</p> <p>The adjustments are shown next to the range of marks for the component. For example, an adjustment of -1 next to the mark range 26–45 means we reduced marks between 26 and 45 by one, and an adjustment of +3 next to the mark range 0–19 means we increased the marks between 0–19 by three. We cannot reduce marks below zero or increase them above the maximum mark of the component.</p> <p>* Weighting is a way of giving relative importance to different components of an exam.</p>	or authorities responsible for admissions to universities or other institutions of higher education.

## Results related documents you can find on Cambridge International Direct ('Direct')

Item	Description	What do I do with it?
<p>Electronic statement of results</p> <p><i>You can download individual candidate provisional results information from Direct after the official date and time for results release.</i></p>	<p>A document for each individual candidate giving details of the syllabuses they entered and the syllabus grades they have been awarded.</p> <p>Statements of results are not certificates and show provisional results. They may not be accepted by universities or other public bodies as proof of a candidate's results.</p> <p>We reserve the right to update any of the information issued on a statement of results before centres receive certificates.</p> <p>You can download electronic statements of results from Direct and the candidate results data appears in qualification order by candidate number. Any candidate taking more than one qualification will appear at the end of each set of qualification data</p>	<p>You should distribute statements of results to candidates as soon as possible.</p>
<p>Results broadsheet</p> <p><i>You can download this document from Direct after the official date and time for results release.</i></p>	<p>A document showing the syllabus grades of all candidates. Private candidates' syllabus grades are shown separately.</p>	<p>Pass these onto the relevant centre staff. Tell them that they are for their information only and must not be made public or shared with prospective employers, universities, or authorities responsible for admissions to universities or other institutions of higher education.</p>
<p>Components marks report</p>	<p>A document for teaching staff showing how candidates have performed across the different components for each syllabus. They allow teaching staff to develop a deeper understanding of a candidate's exam performance.</p>	<p>Pass these lists onto the relevant teaching staff. Tell them that they are for their information only and must not be made public or shared with prospective employers, universities, or authorities responsible for admissions to universities or other institutions of higher education.</p>
<p>Report to a centre on moderation</p> <p><i>This report is only provided if your centre has candidates entered for internally assessed components</i></p>	<p>A brief report (Form CW/C/REP) on the moderation of each internally assessed component is supplied for teaching staff. We only include written comments in the report where necessary.</p>	<p>Pass these reports on to the relevant teaching staff. Tell them that they are for their information only and must not be made public or shared with prospective employers, universities, or authorities responsible for admissions to universities or other institutions of higher education.</p>

## How are syllabus grades provisionally reported on results documents?

Qualification	Grade reporting
IGCSE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A*(a*), A(a), B(b), C(c), D(d), E(e), F(f) or G(g). A*(a*) is the highest grade and G(g) the lowest.</li> <li>'UNGRADED' shows that the candidate failed to reach the standard required for Grade G(g).</li> </ul>
IGCSE language syllabuses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For some language syllabuses, separate oral endorsement grades are reported on a scale of 1(ONE) to 5(FIVE), 1(ONE) being the highest and 5(FIVE) the lowest.</li> <li>Candidates who fail to reach the standard required for grade 5(FIVE) will have nothing reported on the statements of results or certificates</li> <li>Endorsement grades are only shown on certificates where the overall syllabus grade in the language concerned is Grade G(g) or better.</li> </ul>
ICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ICE statements of results are issued to candidates who have entered for ICE.</li> <li>Distinction, Merit and Pass will be awarded to candidates who meet the requirements of ICE.</li> <li>The statement of results shows the ICE outcome and the individual syllabus results for IGCSE.</li> <li>Only individual syllabus results for the final series are reported on this statement of results. Therefore, not all of the counting syllabuses used to determine the ICE award are shown for candidates taking ICE over more than one series.</li> <li>The award rules for the ICE are at the end of this document.</li> </ul>
GCE AS Level & A Level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GCE AS Level - a(a), b(b), c(c), d(d) or e(e). a(a) is the highest and e(e) the lowest.</li> <li>GCE A Level - A*(a*), A(a), B(b), C(c), D(d) or E(e). A*(a*) is the highest grade and E(e) the lowest.</li> <li>In some GCE A Levels, a candidate whose overall performance in the syllabus falls short of the standard required for Grade E(e) will be awarded an GCE AS Level Grade a(a), b(b), c(c), d(d) or e(e), if their performance is good enough in the components that constitute an GCE AS Level.</li> <li>'UNGRADED' shows that the candidate failed to reach the standard required for Grade e(e) for GCE AS Level and Grade E(e) for GCE A Level.</li> </ul>

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Qualification	Grade reporting
AICE Diploma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AICE Diploma statements of results are issued to candidates who have entered for the AICE Diploma.</li> <li>• Distinction, Merit or Pass will be awarded to candidates who meet the requirements of the AICE Diploma. An aggregate of the total points scored will also be shown.</li> <li>• To determine the award, each syllabus which may count towards the diploma is allocated points according to the grade achieved.</li> <li>• Where a candidate has more than the required number of syllabuses which count towards the diploma, those which have been used to determine the AICE Diploma award are shown with an asterisk (*).</li> <li>• Only individual syllabus results for the final series are reported on this statement of results. Therefore, not all of the syllabuses used to determine the AICE Diploma award are shown for candidates taking the AICE Diploma over more than one series.</li> <li>• 'NO RESULT' shows the candidate failed to reach the standard required for the AICE Diploma. An aggregate total points score is not shown.</li> <li>• The award rules for the AICE Diploma are detailed at the end of this document.</li> </ul>
Cambridge International Project Qualification (CIPQ)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CIPQ results are reported on an 8-point scale of grades: A*(a*), A(a), B(b), C(c), D(d) or E(e). Grade A*(a*) is the highest grade and E(e) the lowest.</li> <li>• 'UNGRADED' shows that the candidate failed to reach the standard required for Grade E(e).</li> </ul>

## Enquiries about results

For the March series, you can submit enquiries about results through Direct. A step-by-step guide showing you how to submit an enquiry, and detailing the range of services we offer, is available on our website [www.cambridgeinternational.org/march](http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/march).

If you have any enquiries about results that are still open when we send certificates to you, the candidate(s) involved will receive their certificates when the enquiry is closed.

The deadline for enquiries about results is 11 June 2023.

## Certificates

The following grades are shown on certificates:

Qualification	Grades shown on certificate
Cambridge IGCSE	A*(a*), A(a), B(b), C(c), D(d), E(e), F(f) or G(g)
ICE	Distinction, Merit or Pass
Cambridge International AS Level	a(a), b(b), c(c), d(d) or e(e)
Cambridge International A Level	A*(a*), A(a), B(b), C(c), D(d) or E(e)
AICE Diploma	Distinction, Merit or Pass
CIPQ	A*(a*), A(a), B(b), C(c), D(d) or E(e)

We send certificates to you by our published key dates for the March series. These are available on the exams officer section of our website [www.cambridgeinternational.org/march](http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/march)

- We produce a Cambridge IGCSE certificate showing IGCSE grades and one GCE certificate showing the grades for all levels of the GCE exam: AS Level and A Level.
- We award a Cambridge ICE certificate to candidates who have entered and met the requirements of ICE. All syllabuses used towards the calculation of the Cambridge ICE are reported on a separate Cambridge IGCSE certificate where appropriate.
- We award a Cambridge AICE Diploma certificate to candidates who have fulfilled the requirements of the AICE Diploma. All syllabuses used towards the calculation of the Cambridge AICE Diploma are reported on a separate GCE certificate where appropriate.
- The name of the centre does not appear on the certificate of private candidates.

## Award rules for the Cambridge International Certificate of Education (ICE)

For a list of the Cambridge IGCSE syllabuses that can contribute to Cambridge ICE, please see the relevant Cambridge Guide to Making Entries, available to you on Direct. Candidates may be able to count syllabuses towards Cambridge ICE certification which are not available at Cambridge IGCSE but which are available at Cambridge O Level. A candidate who has taken fewer than six Cambridge IGCSE syllabuses cannot be considered for the award of a Cambridge ICE certificate.

To qualify for Cambridge ICE, candidates must achieve at least grade G(g) (or E(e) for Cambridge O Level syllabuses) in seven syllabuses:

- two syllabuses from Group I
- one syllabus from each of Groups II, III, IV and V
- a seventh syllabus from any of the Cambridge IGCSE syllabus groups.

Candidates who meet the requirements of the Cambridge ICE award will be awarded Distinction, Merit or Pass which will be determined as follows:

- Distinction: grade A(a) or above in five syllabuses and grade C(c) or above in two syllabuses.
- Merit: grade C(c) or above in five syllabuses and grade F(f) or above in two syllabuses.
- Pass: grade G(g) or above in seven syllabuses.

Where candidates have taken more than the required seven subjects, the Cambridge ICE award will be decided based on their seven best results, irrespective of subject groups, providing that the overall Cambridge ICE criteria have been met. (For example, candidates have gained a passing grade in each of the seven qualifying subjects and have sat at least six Cambridge IGCSE subjects.)

Candidates who fail to gain Cambridge ICE will be awarded Cambridge IGCSE (and, if applicable, Cambridge O Level) certificates showing the results in the individual subjects taken.

Candidates who achieve Cambridge ICE in one exam series will receive:

- A Cambridge ICE statement of results
- a Cambridge IGCSE certificate and a GCE certificate as appropriate for the individual syllabuses taken
- a separate Cambridge ICE certificate.

Candidates who achieve Cambridge ICE over two exam series will receive:

- a statement of results for the individual syllabuses taken at the end of the first series
- a Cambridge IGCSE certificate and a GCE certificate as appropriate for the individual syllabuses taken at the end of the first series
- a Cambridge ICE statement of results in the second series
- a Cambridge IGCSE and a GCE certificate as appropriate for the individual syllabuses taken in the second series
- a separate Cambridge ICE certificate at the end of the second series.



The Cambridge ICE certificate shows the level of the ICE award achieved and will not list the individual contributing syllabuses.

## Award rules for the Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education Diploma (AICE Diploma)

For a list of the Cambridge International AS & A Level syllabuses that can contribute to the Cambridge AICE Diploma and their groups please see the Cambridge Guide to Making Entries, available to you on Direct.

The Cambridge AICE Diploma is a group certificate which requires learners to study a compulsory core subject, Cambridge International AS Level Global Perspectives & Research, with Cambridge International AS & A Level subjects drawn from three curriculum areas:

- Mathematics & Science (Group 1)
- Languages (Group 2)
- Arts & Humanities (Group 3).

There is also the option to study Interdisciplinary and Skills-based subjects (Group 4).

Candidates can combine the credits for their qualifications in the following ways:

Cambridge International A Level (2 Credits)	Cambridge International AS Level (1 Credit)	Cambridge International AS Level Global Perspectives & Research (1 Credit)*	Total Credits
3	0	1	7
2	2	1	7
1	4	1	7
0	6	1	7

\*Candidates who pass the Cambridge International AS & A Level Global Perspectives & Research at A Level meet the compulsory requirement of the Core group (AS Level Global Perspectives & Research) and have one credit left which counts in Group 4 to contribute to the overall requirement of seven credits.

Candidates who meet the requirements of the Cambridge AICE Diploma will be awarded a Pass, Merit or Distinction. Candidates will be allocated points according to the grades they achieve in each subject as follows:

Cambridge International A Level grade achieved	Points for Cambridge International A Level study
A*	140
A	120
B	100
C	80
D	60
E	40

Cambridge International AS Level grade achieved	Points for Cambridge International AS Level study
a	60
b	50
c	40
d	30
e	20

The type of Cambridge AICE Diploma award a candidate receives is determined as follows:

Candidate's total score	Award (if candidate has at least seven credits across the four groups)
360 to 420	Cambridge AICE Diploma with Distinction
250 to 359	Cambridge AICE Diploma with Merit
140 to 249	Cambridge AICE Diploma at Pass Level
Below 140	No Cambridge AICE Diploma

Candidates who complete the AICE Diploma in one exam series will receive:

- a Cambridge AICE Diploma statement of results
- a Cambridge GCE certificate showing the grades they achieved in individual syllabuses
- a separate Cambridge AICE Diploma certificate.

If a candidate fails the requirements for the Cambridge AICE Diploma they will be awarded the grades they achieved in the Cambridge International AS & A Level certificate syllabuses they took on separate certificates for those qualifications where applicable. Candidates who achieve qualifications they use towards the diploma over a number of series will receive a GCE certificate statement of results and certificate at the end of each series as applicable. The Cambridge AICE Diploma statement of results and certificate are issued at the end of the final series.