

# 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 student who gets the minimum mark necessary for a Grade A\* obtains a percentage uniform mark of 90. A student 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, Pending* or *To Be Issued*. The table below shows the percentage uniform mark range for each grade:

Grade	Percentage uniform mark range
A*	90-100
А	80-89 <sup>†</sup>
В	70-79
С	60-69
D	50-59
E	40-49
F (Cambridge IGCSE only)	30-39
G (Cambridge IGCSE only)	20-29

<sup>†</sup>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.

#### **Key messages for students:**

- 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 certificate.



### Frequently asked questions

## Are percentage uniform marks the same as the Uniform Mark Scale (UMS) used by UK exam boards?

Our percentage uniform mark scale uses the same approach as UMS. However the UMS is not always shown as marks out of 100, whereas our percentage uniform marks are always out of 100.

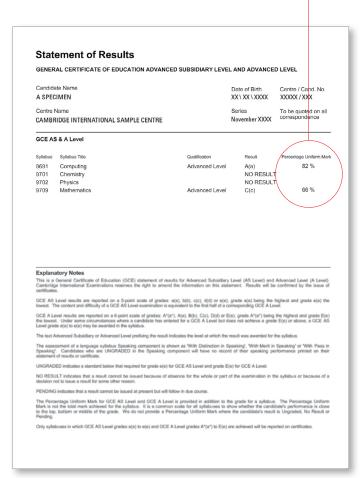
### Do percentage uniform marks appear on Cambridge certificates?

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



### 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.



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