

Grading new GCSEs

New grading structure	Former grading structure
9	A*
8	A
7	B
6	C
5	D
4	E
3	F
2	G
1	U
U	U

Endorsements for GCSE English Language spoken language

Results for the GCSE English Language (8700) spoken language endorsement will be reported separately as one of the following:

- pass
- merit
- distinction
- not classified.

This separate grade will appear on a certificate but will not contribute to a student's 9–1 grade.

GCSE Combined Science

GCSE Combined Science students will receive a double grade on a 17-point scale, from 9-9 to 1-1.

This double award is worth two GCSEs and is made up of two equal or adjacent grades. There are 17 possible grade combinations, for example, (9-9), (9-8), (8-8), (8-7) – through to (1-1).

Generally, a student who would have got an average grade A across science and additional science in 2017 would get grade 7-7 in GCSE Combined Science from 2018 onwards.

Grade scales for Cambridge Nationals

Cambridge Nationals are awarded on the following grade scale:

- *2 - Distinction* at Level 2
- D2 - Distinction at Level 2
- M2 - Merit at Level 2
- P2 - Pass at Level 2
- D1 - Distinction at Level 1
- M1 - Merit at Level 1
- P1 - Pass at Level 1