FIRST LANGUAGE ARABIC

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Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0508 (First Language Arabic) in the October/November 2012 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:				
		А	С	Е	F	
Component 1	50	40	32	18	13	
Component 2	50	43	30	18	13	

The threshold (minimum mark) for B is set halfway between those for Grades A and C. The threshold (minimum mark) for D is set halfway between those for Grades C and E. The threshold (minimum mark) for G is set as many marks below the F threshold as the E threshold is above it. Grade A* does not exist at the level of an individual component.

The thresholds for the syllabus are determined first by adding together the thresholds for the components taken by the candidate. A reduction may be made at the higher grades depending on the correlation of the papers. If the maximum raw marks for the components are not in the weighting/relationship specified in the syllabus, a weighting is applied to arrive at the overall thresholds. The A* threshold is calculated using the difference between A and B as a starting point.

The maximum total mark for this syllabus is 100.

The overall thresholds for the different grades were set as follows.

Option	Combination of components	A *	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G
	01, 02	88	83	72	62	49	36	26	16

Grade Thresholds are published for all GCE A/AS and IGCSE subjects where a corresponding mark scheme is available.

