FRENCH (Foreign Language)

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Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0520 (French (Foreign Language)) in the October/November 2013 examination.

	maximum	minimum mark required for grade:					
	mark available	А	С	E	F		
Component 11	48	34	26	14	10		
Component 12	48	34	26	14	10		
Component 13	48	34	26	14	10		
Component 21	65	47	31	22	17		
Component 22	65	50	32	22	17		
Component 23	65	50	32	22	17		
Component 3	100	80	60	40	30		
Component 41	50	35	19	11	7		
Component 42	50	35	19	11	7		
Component 43	50	35	19	11	7		

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.

If candidates take the Continuous Writing paper, the maximum total mark for this syllabus is 398.

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

Option	Combination of components	A *	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G
BX	11, 21, 3, 41	334	289	244	199	161	124	91	58
BY	12, 22, 3, 42	340	293	246	200	162	124	91	58
BZ	13, 23, 3, 43	340	293	246	200	162	124	91	58



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Candidates' grades are also calculated disregarding the Continuous Writing paper, and the higher grade is awarded where the two results differ, but the maximum grade obtainable when disregarding the Continuous Writing paper is Grade C. The maximum total under this route is **298**.

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

Option	Combination of components	С	D	Е	F	G
AX	11, 21, 3	161	131	102	77	52
AY	12, 22, 3	162	132	102	77	52
AZ	13, 23, 3	162	132	102	77	52

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

