PORTUGUESE

GCE Advanced Level

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 9718 (Portuguese) in the May/June 2013 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:		
		A	B	E
Component 1	100	78	68	48
Component 2	70	61	53	34
Component 3	40	32	28	17
Component 4	75	55	48	35

The thresholds (minimum marks) for Grades C and D are normally set by dividing the mark range between the B and the E thresholds into three. For example, if the difference between the B and the E threshold is 24 marks, the C threshold is set 8 marks below the B threshold and the D threshold is set another 8 marks down. If dividing the interval by three results in a fraction of a mark, then the threshold is normally rounded down. 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 **200**.

For this syllabus in this series the grade thresholds were as follows:

Option	Combination of components	A*	A	B	C	D	E
A	01, 02, 03, 04	180	160	140	124	109	94

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