

## Syllabus update

### Cambridge IGCSE® Biology (US) (0438) (for examination in 2016, 2017 and 2018)

We have updated this syllabus. The latest syllabus is version 2, published September 2015.

Changes have been made to page 56, Section 7.3 Paper 7: Coursework.

The introduction has been updated and now states:

The AO3 experimental skills and investigations are assessed as coursework (C) skills.

They are:

- C1 Using and organizing techniques, apparatus and materials
- C2 Observing, measuring, and recording
- C3 Handling experimental observations and data
- C4 Planning and evaluating investigations

Teachers must ensure that they can make available to Cambridge evidence of two assessments of each coursework (C) skill for each candidate. For coursework (C) skills C1 to C4 inclusive, information about the tasks set and how the marks were awarded will be required. In addition, for coursework (C) skills C2, C3 and C4, the candidate's written work will also be required.

Changes have also been made to the following pages:

Page 57: Section 7.3 Criteria for Assessing Experimental Skills and Investigations. The column titles for the criteria have changed to:

Skill C1: Using and Organizing Techniques, Apparatus, and Materials  
Skill C2: Observing, Measuring, and Recording.

Page 58: Section 7.3 Criteria for Assessing Experimental Skills and Investigations. The column titles for the criteria have changed to:

Skill C3: Handling Experimental Observations and Data  
Skill C4: Planning and Evaluating Investigations.

Page 59: Section 7.3 Guidance on Candidate Assessment. The AO references in the guidance have been replaced with coursework (C) skill references, C1, C2, C3 and C4.