Syllabus

Cambridge IGCSE Art and Design
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1. Introduction

1.1 Why choose Cambridge?

University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) is the world’s largest provider of international qualifications. Around 1.5 million candidates from 150 countries enter Cambridge examinations every year. What makes educators around the world choose Cambridge?

Recognition

Cambridge IGCSE is internationally recognised by schools, universities and employers as equivalent to UK GCSE. Cambridge IGCSE is excellent preparation for A/AS Level, the Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE), US Advanced Placement Programme and the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma. Learn more at www.cie.org.uk/recognition.

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Cambridge qualifications develop successful candidates. They not only build understanding and knowledge required for progression, but also learning and thinking skills that help candidates become independent learners and equip them for life.

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1. Introduction

1.2 Why choose Cambridge IGCSE Art and Design?
Cambridge IGCSE Art and Design is accepted by universities, art colleges and employers as evidence of experiences and skills in developing and producing a range of artefacts and designs showing visual knowledge and understanding along with critical and cultural awareness.

Art and Design complements literary, mathematical, scientific and factual subjects. It is especially concerned with the development of visual perception and aesthetics. The subject encourages visual communication and is a means of expressing ideas and feelings.

Successful Art and Design candidates gain lifelong skills, including:
- confidence and enthusiasm as they develop technical skills in two and three dimensional form and composition
- the ability to identify and solve problems in visual and tactile forms
- how to develop ideas from initial attempts to final solutions.

1.3 Cambridge International Certificate of Education (ICE)
Cambridge ICE is the group award of the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE). It requires the study of subjects drawn from the five different IGCSE subject groups. It gives schools the opportunity to benefit from offering a broad and balanced curriculum by recognising the achievements of students who pass examinations in at least seven subjects, including two languages, and one subject from each of the other subject groups.

The Cambridge portfolio of IGCSE qualifications provides a solid foundation for higher level courses such as GCE A and AS Levels and the International Baccalaureate Diploma as well as excellent preparation for employment.

A wide range of IGCSE subjects is available and these are grouped into five curriculum areas. Art and Design (0400) falls into Group V, Creative, Technical and Vocational Subjects.

Learn more about ICE at [www.cie.org.uk/qualifications/academic/middlesec/ice](http://www.cie.org.uk/qualifications/academic/middlesec/ice).

1.4 How can I find out more?
If you are already a Cambridge Centre
You can make entries for this qualification through your usual channels, e.g. CIE Direct. If you have any queries, please contact us at [international@cie.org.uk](mailto:international@cie.org.uk).

If you are not a Cambridge Centre
You can find out how your organisation can become a Cambridge Centre. Email us at [international@cie.org.uk](mailto:international@cie.org.uk). Learn more about the benefits of becoming a Cambridge Centre at [www.cie.org.uk](http://www.cie.org.uk).
## 2. Assessment at a glance

### Cambridge IGCSE Art and Design

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* In order for a Centre to undertake internal assessment of Coursework in Art and Design, at least one teacher must hold the appropriate certificate or letter of accreditation from CIE. The accreditation can be obtained by successful completion of the requirements of the Art and Design Coursework Training Handbook (CTH). Teachers who already have experience in Centre-based assessment may apply to CIE to be accredited without such training by submitting their CV, but such exemption is not given automatically (see Handbook for Centres 2012).

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Availability
This syllabus is examined in the May/June examination session and the October/November examination session.

This syllabus is available to private candidates (not option C or E).

Centres in the UK that receive government funding are advised to consult the CIE website www.cie.org.uk for the latest information before beginning to teach this syllabus.

Combining this with other syllabuses
Candidates can combine this syllabus in an examination session with any other CIE syllabus, except:

- syllabuses with the same title at the same level
- 0596 Art and Design (Botswana)
- 6005 Art and Design (Mauritius)
- 6010 Art
- 6123 Art (Singapore)
- 6124 Higher Art (Singapore)

Please note that IGCSE, Cambridge International Level 1/Level 2 Certificates and O Level syllabuses are at the same level.
3. Syllabus aims and objectives

3.1 Introduction and aims

An Art and Design course should encourage personal expression, imagination, sensitivity, conceptual thinking, powers of observation, an analytical ability and practical attitudes. It should lead to greater understanding of the role of the visual arts in the history of civilisations and widen cultural horizons and enrich the individual. In addition, it should combine a breadth and depth of study so that it may accommodate a wide range of abilities and individual resources.

Art and Design complements literary, mathematical, scientific and factual subjects. It is especially concerned with the development of visual perception and aesthetics and is a form of communication and a means of expressing ideas and feelings.

This syllabus is intended as a broad course exploring practical and critical/contextual work through a range of two-dimensional and/or three-dimensional processes. Where Art and Design as a title or descriptor is used in this syllabus, it also encompasses new media and technologies in addition to traditional media and processes.

Cambridge IGCSE Art and Design is designed as a two year course for examination at age 16 plus.

It encourages candidates to develop:
1. an ability to record from direct observation and personal experience;
2. an ability to identify and solve problems in visual and/or other forms;
3. creativity, visual awareness, critical and cultural understanding;
4. an imaginative, creative and personal response;
5. confidence, enthusiasm and a sense of achievement in the practice of Art and Design;
6. growing independence in the refinement and development of ideas and personal outcomes;
7. engagement and experimentation with a range of media, materials and techniques, including new media where appropriate;
8. experience of working in relevant frameworks and exploration of manipulative skills necessary to form, compose and communicate in two and/or three dimensions;
9. knowledge of a working vocabulary relevant to the subject and an interest in, and a critical awareness of, other practitioners, environments and cultures;
10. investigative, analytical, experimental, interpretative, practical, technical and expressive skills which aid effective and independent learning.
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3.2 Assessment Objectives

To pass Cambridge IGCSE Art and Design candidates must meet the following Assessment Objectives (AOs) which apply to all components:

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<th>Gathering, recording, research and investigation</th>
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<td>(a)</td>
<td>Investigate and research a variety of appropriate sources</td>
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<td>Record and analyse information from direct observation and/or other sources and personal experience</td>
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<th>Exploration and development of ideas</th>
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<td>Explore a range of visual and/or other ideas by manipulating images</td>
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<th>Organisation and relationships of visual and/or other forms</th>
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<td>Organise and use visual and/or other forms effectively to express ideas</td>
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<td>Make informed aesthetic judgements by recognising the effect of relationships between visual and/or other forms</td>
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<th>Selection and control of materials, media and processes</th>
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<td>Select and control appropriate media and processes, demonstrating practical, technical and expressive skills and intentions</td>
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<th>AO5</th>
<th>Personal vision and presentation</th>
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<td>(a)</td>
<td>Show personal vision and commitment through an interpretative and creative response</td>
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<td>Present an informed response through personal evaluation, reflection and critical thinking</td>
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4. Description of components

4.1 Component 1: Observational/Interpretative Assignment

The paper
An externally set, eight-hour assignment marked by CIE. The examination allows candidates to respond in either an observational or interpretative manner or a combination of both.

Whichever approach is selected, first hand studies from primary sources must be used as the starting point for the development of ideas.

The questions act as starting points for the candidate’s focus of study and all questions are broad and flexible. Candidates should support the examination piece with investigation, research, evaluation and development. The examination piece may be produced in any two- or three-dimensional medium or combination of media, including printmaking, textiles, and lens-based media and new digital technology. Any three-dimensional outcomes should be submitted through photographic or digital means.

Question papers will be uploaded to the Teacher’s Support website (https://teachers.cie.org.uk) and CIE Direct (https://direct.cie.org.uk) see ‘Support Materials’ – ‘syllabus resources’) on 1 January for the June examination session and 1 July for the November examination session. They will not appear in Centres’ in-boxes on CIE Direct.

In addition, hard copies of the question papers will be despatched to Centres based on provisional entry information. All candidates must have eight weeks’ preparation time which they should use to choose the appropriate question, form their ideas and make supporting studies.

Supporting studies
The supporting studies must consist of not more than two sheets of A2 (this may or may not be double sided i.e. a maximum of four sides). Centres are reminded that this is the maximum and that candidates can submit less work if appropriate. Quality of work is more important than the amount of work: weaker work submitted may have a detrimental effect on the total mark awarded.

Candidates may seek initial guidance regarding the selection of question and appropriate choice of materials and processes at the beginning of the preparation time. They should then be advised to work independently.

Examination piece
Candidates must take their supporting studies with them into the examination room and should refer to them during the examination. The supporting studies must then stay with the examination work until the examination has been completed, after which the Centre must send both the supporting studies and the examination work to CIE for assessment.
4. Description of components

CIE will assess the examination piece and supporting studies.

Centres should refer to Appendix and the Handbook for Centres for further guidance and invigilation instructions. Candidates should be familiar with the Assessment Objectives by which their work will be assessed.

4.2 Component 2: Design Assignment

The paper

An externally set, eight hour assignment marked by CIE. The examination tests the candidate's ability to research, analyse and develop ideas to a design brief, and to arrive at an appropriate solution. All questions are for designs initially developed on paper (these can be continued into three-dimensional structures but any three-dimensional solutions should then be recorded through photographic or digital means).

Questions are based on a selection of the following:

- Graphic design, to include lettering and typography in relation to images, and illustration and calligraphy. Questions will be set to include logos, posters, book, CD and DVD covers, publicity brochures, as well as a focus on selected verse or literary extracts;
- Textile design to include repeat pattern motifs for particular contexts and fashion design based on specific themes;
- Interior design to include murals, mosaics and hangings, stained glass windows and other surface and decorative enhancements within a specific context or theme;
- Environmental design to include architectural drawings, plans, elevations and modelled outcomes together with the use of materials for construction.

Candidates should be aware of the design constraints which affect the commercial application of design as well as historical and contemporary practice, relevant to their chosen design brief. In their supporting studies, they must show that alternative solutions to the initial brief have been considered.

The development of images must be the candidates’ own work. The recording and manipulation of images through different technical processes, including collage, montage, computer programmes and personal digital photography is encouraged. The design solution for the examination work may also make use of such processes. Teachers should advise their candidates that media and materials should be selected for clarity of graphic communication.
4. Description of components

Photography may be used within this paper, but must reflect the context, for example, fashion or advertising. Basic photographic skills are required, through the use of black and white or colour photos, as appropriate. Candidates should demonstrate their understanding through juxtaposition of image and text, cropping images, selective enlargement and the use of natural or artificial lighting.

Some use of secondary or existing sources is acceptable, but needs to be acknowledged or attributed. Secondary sources may be used appropriately but the candidates’ own work must form the larger proportion of supporting work. This also applies to images downloaded from the internet such as pre-designed clip art.

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4. Description of components

4.3 Component 3: Critical and Historical Assignment

An internally set assignment marked by CIE. There is no question paper for this component. The assignment relates to any aspect of Art or Design of interest to the candidate. This should be a critical and visual appraisal or theoretical study undertaken in a written and practical form, including drawings, paintings, photographs or video work. Emphasis can be on materials and processes (Materials-based approach) or a written critical Evaluative study.

Candidates must demonstrate an understanding of the inter-relationship between an area of practical art and design and the theoretical knowledge which informs such work, through the specific skills of research, critical analysis, visual analysis, written text and practical artwork.

There must be a degree of first-hand research undertaken by the candidate, such as viewing paintings, buildings or artefacts or interviewing an artist or designer. The study of techniques or production processes is also appropriate but must be supported by reference to a named practitioner so that work can be viewed at first-hand; candidates are therefore advised to select work that is accessible in their locality. This first-hand observation should be supported with secondary information from sources such as books, slides, videos and web sites which will inform the work. Candidates must give clear details as to their first-hand study and sources.

Materials-based approach

Candidates should research and analyse the way in which artists, architects and designers work, how materials are used and techniques employed for effective outcomes. This should be a practical process with annotation. Study with a more materials base on how works of art are made could be in any of the following formats:

- a detailed exploration of a sculptural technique e.g. how artists have used clay or bronze in different ways;
- a practical study of watercolour techniques or brushwork in the work of three artists;
- a comparison of the techniques of fresco and oil painting or modelling and carving in sculpture;
- the contrast of etching, lithography, lino cutting and silkscreen;
- the use of materials in architecture e.g. wood, glass, iron, steel, concrete;
- the techniques and technical development of one practitioner;
- the experience and outcomes of working with an artist in residence;
- the technical innovations and techniques of one chosen movement or style e.g. the Impressionists’ use of colour and brushwork;
- shadow and light in painting inspired by Caravaggio, for example.
4. Description of components

**Evaluative study**
Candidates should research works of art, design or architecture and make a written and visual critical analysis which explores theoretical aspects of the subject. Candidates should be able to communicate an understanding of the underlying reasons why works of art appear as they do and the influences and events which affected their manufacture and the way the artist works. This will require candidates to place works of art, individual practitioners, different styles and movements in an appropriate historical, social or cultural context.

Candidates’ work must be a mixture of practical work or illustrated material in the form of drawings, paintings, prints, three-dimensional forms, photographs, digital processes, film or video and must include written critical evaluation. An understanding of subject terminology is expected.

This type of study could be in any of the following formats:
- a timeline which evaluates with text, images or three-dimensional works of art based on a selected theme such as still life, the human form, designed objects, a set of buildings;
- a comparative study of two different styles or movements in painting, sculpture, architecture or design;
- a comparison of selected works of art from two different periods, themes or cultures;
- a detailed study of one movement in art or one artist, architect or designer;
- a visual and written evaluation of a gallery or exhibition visit;
- a study of local buildings or a designed environment.

**Presentation**
It may be presented in any appropriate format, e.g.:
- a structured sequence of annotated drawings, paintings, photographs or three-dimensional objects;
- a visual and written analysis of between 1500–2000 words. This should be in a form that is easy to transport and handle, and no larger than A2 in size;
- a video, DVD, digital art or multimedia presentation (please ensure that any videos sent are VHS, any digitised or multimedia presentation must also be backed up by a hard copy).

Whatever format a candidate chooses, they are encouraged to submit an outline proposal (OPF). This is to provide support and guidance and whilst submission is recommended, it is by no means obligatory. Centres are reminded that the submission of an outline proposal does not constitute an entry. In their outline proposal, candidates should detail their:
- intentions
- details of research undertaken
- sources for first-hand study
- resources list
- suggested presentation.

Outline proposals can be submitted either electronically or in hard copy and feedback will be received within 28 days.
4. Description of components

Centres should refer to Appendix and the Handbook for Centres for further guidance. Candidates should be familiar with the Assessment Objectives by which their work will be assessed. **Quality of work is more important than the amount of work: any weaker work submitted may have a detrimental effect on the total mark awarded.**

CIE will assess the assignment.

4.4 Component 4: Coursework Assignment

An internally set assignment marked by the Centre, moderated by CIE.

In a course of at least one year, candidates are expected to have concentrated on one of the areas listed in the Curriculum content. From their course of study, they should select, for assessment by the Centre, one final outcome (see below) plus a supporting portfolio of work that directly relates to that one final outcome (size A2, **maximum** four sheets – eight sides).

**One final outcome could be a series of photographic prints, a series of sculptures, and a triptych for example, if, from the outset, the intention was always to produce several related items.**

The **one final outcome** should offer breadth and depth of exploration and inquiry, stimulated by the content set by the Centre. It must be the candidate’s individual response produced from conception to the completion of the final outcome.

The **supporting portfolio** should contain work which shows the research, exploration, development and evaluation relevant to the one final outcome. Candidates should be reminded that the **quality of work is more important than the amount of work: any weaker work submitted may have a detrimental effect on the mark awarded.**

Work submitted should demonstrate evidence of:

- informed and personal exploration within the chosen area;
- recording, analysis, organisation and collection of observations, expressions and insights relative to ideas and intentions;
- experimentation with ideas, concepts, materials, techniques and processes;
- reflection, review and refinement.

Coursework should also include evidence of study and exploration of the practice of other related practitioners who inform the candidate’s own work. The candidate’s work should display an understanding of cultural and historical contexts in which the work of others is created.
4. Description of components

The Centre will assess the one final outcome together with the supporting portfolio and award a **single mark** out of 100. This will then be externally moderated by CIE. Centres will provide a breakdown of the five assessment objectives on the Individual Candidate Record Card.

Centres should refer to the *Handbook for Centres* for further guidance. Candidates should be familiar with the Assessment Objectives by which their work will be assessed.

See Appendix for further information regarding size and weight of work, inappropriate material, despatch of work.
5. Curriculum content

This syllabus has been designed to allow candidates to develop and produce personal responses that reflect a broad range of related activities, areas, and approaches to study. It has been devised to enable Centres to play on their strengths in terms of staff expertise and interests, and to provide candidates with choices, while at the same time ensuring a suitable breadth of study within the subject.

The areas listed below provide a broad framework of Art and Design practice, and indicate an approach which encourages exploration, within either traditional media or new media or a combination of both, providing all assessment objectives are met. Candidates are encouraged to produce a variety of creative responses through a range of materials, processes and techniques.

Candidates are not expected to produce work from all the areas.

They are, however, expected to:

• identify and research a particular aspect of Art and Design;
• carry out relevant exploration of materials, media and appropriate processes;
• document and evaluate ideas and concepts against aims and objectives as the work proceeds;
• develop these into a cohesive outcome.

Painting and Related Media
Candides can submit work in any of the media outlined below for any of the four components.

In response to studies under this heading, candidates are expected to demonstrate skills in either a representational or descriptive manner, or they may be more imaginative and interpretative. In any case, work will evolve through investigation and development by the candidate. Responses may be based upon a directly observed starting point or subject, or they may be the candidate’s personal response to a theme.

Subjects could include:

• landscapes,
• figure studies,
• portraits,
• the natural or man-made environment,
• still-life,
• artefacts,
• abstract notions or feelings,
• personal experiences,
• or visual ideas inspired by literary sources.

Candidates should learn to use a sketchbook to make visual and/or other appropriate researches and develop their ideas. They should also show knowledge of Art and Design from other cultures or history and relate it to their own studies.
5. Curriculum content

**Painting and Drawing**
Candidates should be encouraged to work from direct observation and to explore the use of tone, colour and composition, materials and context. This can be shown through the use of processes and use of media such as charcoal, pencil, pastels, acrylic, water colour, oil and inks.

**Graphic Media**
Candidates should be encouraged to demonstrate the communication of visual and/or other meaning through images. Candidates should explore an expressive and personal response in their work.

**Printmaking**
Candidates should be encouraged to explore image making rather than the specific design for industrial design processes such as repeat fabric design. Ideas and development will evolve through investigation, development and experience that could be gained from direct observation or be a personal response to a theme (see Printmaking section).

**Other Related forms**
Candidates should be encouraged to explore using traditional or new media or a combination of both. Candidates can also produce work for assessment in any 2D form such as collage or textiles. The use of mixed media or waste materials for collage is acceptable.

**Printmaking**
Candidates can submit work in any of the media outlined below for any of the four components.

This includes all aspects of printmaking that relate to image making rather than specific design for industrial processes such as repeat fabric design. Ideas and development will need to evolve through investigation, development and experience gained from direct observation or be a personal response to a theme. Candidates should explore a variety of printmaking techniques and produce either a series of related images or one-off prints using methods such as monoprinting, relief printing such as lino and/or wood cut, etching or screen printing.

**Monoprinting**
Candidates should be encouraged to explore a variety of traditional and new media approaches to monoprinting. Candidates should work in a range of different materials, not just glass, metal or plastic.

**Relief Printing**
Using traditional or new media or a combination of both, candidates should be encouraged to explore a variety of approaches. Candidates may employ a range of different materials, mixed media or use improvised or waste materials to create work.
5. Curriculum content

**Etching**
Candidates should be encouraged to explore the use of line, tone, texture and composition when using this process. Traditional and/or new media approaches should be encouraged when using metal or plastic plates.

**Screen printing**
Candidates should be encouraged to explore a variety of traditional and/or new media approaches to screen printing. Using traditional and/or digital processes, candidates should demonstrate an expressive and personal response in their work.

**Three-Dimensional Studies**
Candidates can submit work in any of any of the media outlined below for any of the four components.

Candidates may work in traditional media and/or new materials or a combination of both, but should show an understanding of three-dimensional qualities of volume, form, space appropriate to their chosen specialism. Candidates should create visual and/or other meaning through three-dimensional art by expressing functional and/or decorative responses. In sculpture, the work may be figurative or abstract; candidates can employ techniques of carving, modelling or construction. There should be some awareness of the roles sculpture has played in various societies.

In ceramics, candidates should study a range of techniques and become familiar with several methods of decoration, understanding firing and glazing, and have knowledge of the different uses of ceramics. They should be aware of aesthetic considerations and have some historical or cultural knowledge. Candidates should demonstrate an expressive and personal response in their work, appropriate to the task.

The supporting portfolio should include designs, notes on materials and processes, etc. Photographs of source material and other work should be included as should evidence of visits made in connection with the course of study.

**Sculpture**
Candidates should explore form, space, mass, volume, surface and materials. They should use a range of processes, techniques and materials, such as: carving and modelling, casting or constructing, plaster and wax.

**Ceramics**
Candidates should show an understanding of the processes involved in making, drying, firing, decorating and glazing. Candidates should also show ability in constructional methods such as slab and coil and hand making and the application of surface treatments and colour and glaze.
5. Curriculum content

Theatre design
Candidates should demonstrate the use of design for performance through areas such as costume, set design and lighting. Candidates should document their work through photographs or video/DVD, as well as a sketchbook.

Environmental/architectural design
Candidates should demonstrate their understanding through the use of spatial design in an environmental/architectural context in either public or private spaces. Candidates should also be familiar with role, function, location and audience as well as environmental/architectural issues.

Product design
Candidates should demonstrate how they can problem-solve by designing or creating products that have a functional or decorative role. Candidates should work with a range of materials such as wood, metal, plastics and glass. Candidates will need to demonstrate how the design process itself results in a variety of possible design solutions. It is not necessary for candidates to produce full-scale models but they should be aware of the possible constraints that might occur during the manufacturing process.

Jewellery
Candidates should cover a wide range of techniques, skills and materials. Candidates’ work should indicate a clear design brief. Candidates should also demonstrate how they can problem-solve by designing and/or creating jewellery that has a functional and/or decorative role.

Photography, Digital and Lens Media
Candidates can submit work in any of the media outlined below for any of the four components.

Candidates should use traditional and/or new media processes to produce outcomes such as photomontage, printed photography, digital photography, photographic or digital installation, video and animation, film and digital creation and manipulation. Work may be in colour or and/or black and white.

Candidates should demonstrate an expressive and/or interpretative artistic response to the visual world. They should show an understanding of the conventions of photography and genres such as portrait, landscape and movement, and a range of techniques appropriate to their chosen field.

Consideration of the following techniques should be given:

- depth of field,
- film speed/shutter speed,
- lighting/exposure,
- tone and/or colour,
- viewpoint/composition,
- framing,
- editing,
- transitions.
5. Curriculum content

Candidates should also show skills in experimenting with media and processes such as:

- abstracting,
- illustrating,
- documenting,
- developing and printing of films,
- darkroom practice (pin-hole cameras, burning in, masking, photograms, solarisation, multiple exposure, reversal printing),
- alternative print processes (liquid emulsions, bleaching, resist, toning, use of specialist papers or other photosensitive surfaces),
- creation and manipulation of images with computers,
- image scanning and manipulation,
- editing, perhaps using sound.

Photography may be used as a means of recording fragile, large or time-based work (e.g. work in perishable media, installations, mural work, performance) and the photographic record will be considered and assessed as part of the submission.

Candidates must provide appropriate evidence of the authenticity of their work such as contact prints, thumbnails of original digital photographs or storyboards.

Any moving image work (no longer than three minutes) should be submitted on video, DVD, or alternatively on CD in common forms of digital format such as in Mpeg or WMV.

**Still imagery**
Candidates should demonstrate their skill in the production of still images through a lens-based approach. Candidates will demonstrate an understanding and control of equipment in order to produce work that is personal. Using a wide range of methods, techniques and processes candidates will produce imagery that is their own work. Candidates may develop their own work using darkroom facilities, if available; however the use of commercially processed photographs is acceptable.

For candidates using digital lens-based media, their work should show evidence of the manipulation and presentation of the imagery using a computer. A variety of approaches and processes can be used together and candidates could present their work in a variety of ways – either printed images or electronically as a slide show using PowerPoint, on a CD-ROM or web site, for example. Lighting and sound may be used as appropriate.

**Moving Imagery**
Candidates should demonstrate an understanding of the recording and the presentation of moving images. Sound may also be included as appropriate. Candidates should be familiar with a range of techniques, resources and processes, such as story boards, animation, digital editing, PowerPoint, CD-ROMs and interactive websites.
Graphic Communication
Candidates can submit work in any of the media outlined below for any of the four components.

Candidates should learn to use appropriate methods, materials and techniques as well as presentational skills. All imagery should be the candidate's original work, although manipulation of secondary sources through various software packages and digital processes is acceptable, as long as it only represents a proportion of the overall work.

Supporting portfolios should show ideas, themes and sources used. Technical processes, including computer generated imagery and personal digital media, should be clearly documented. The development of printmaking processes should be included, as should knowledge of both historical and contemporary graphics.

Candidates should demonstrate the communication of visual meaning through images whilst being mindful of problems and opportunities, as well as working towards appropriate solutions. They should analyse design briefs and tackle practical design tasks. They should study other examples of design, or the work of designers relative to their chosen field, preferably including some at first hand, and relate this experience to their own endeavours.

Graphic Design with lettering
Candidates should demonstrate their understanding of typography and its relationship to images. Candidates are free to work in any medium, including photography and computer manipulated imagery, providing that the majority of images are from the candidate's primary research.

Illustration
Candidates should demonstrate how the creation of imagery can enhance and allow different interpretations of text. Candidates should produce visual imagery that communicates the role and context of text to a specific audience. The illustrations may be for inclusion in any number of publications such as magazines, books, posters and leaflets.

Printmaking
Candidates will not be expected to be familiar with all aspects of printmaking. They will have developed ideas and these will have evolved through investigation, development and experience gained from direct observation or be a personal response to a chosen theme (see Printmaking section).

Advertising
Candidates should have an understanding of how graphic communication can sell a product or service, promote brand images and communicate information through, for example, posters, fliers, logos, corporate identities, symbols or signs.
5. Curriculum content

Textile Design
Candidates can submit work in any of the media outlined below for any of the four components.

Candidates should demonstrate an expressive, decorative or functional response through the use of fabrics, dyes and fibres. Within this area, candidates should be encouraged to explore a range of techniques, where available, such as traditional or new media or a combination of both.

Candidates should develop their own designs and realise their finished work to a high standard. They may produce work in one area but should show knowledge of other areas. They need not produce garments, but function and suitability of design should be considered.

Supporting portfolios may contain sketches, designs, samples and photographs. There should be an awareness of culture and historical factors appropriate to their chosen area.

Within this area, candidates may produce work in any of the following specialisms:

Printed and/or Dyed
Candidates should be aware of the variety of different media, such as commercial fabric paints, fabric painting inks and application methods. For the printed application, candidates are expected to show a range of techniques for transferring image to fabric, such as block, screen and discharge printing. Dyed application requires the candidate to be familiar with a range of processes such as batik, silk painting and tie and dye. Candidates should also be familiar with dipping and spraying.

Constructed
Candidates should demonstrate an understanding of either natural and/or synthetic yarns, and how they can be used through stitching, knotting and looping. Candidates could use experimentation with alternative media such as plastic, paper and wire, and investigate the properties of these techniques such as folding, cutting and fusing. Candidates could show a variety of constructed techniques such as embroidery, weaving or appliqué.

Fashion
Candidates should demonstrate how fabric and fibres are used in a fashion context. Candidates should be familiar with a range of processes such as garment construction, accessories, and fashion design and body adornment. Candidates do not have to produce final made garments but should be mindful of the techniques appropriate to this specialism.
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7. Coursework: guidance for Centres

Teachers may not undertake school-based assessment without the written approval of CIE. This will only be given to teachers who satisfy CIE requirements concerning moderation and they will have to undergo training in assessment before entering candidates.

CIE offers training in the form of a Coursework Training Handbook (CTH).

7.1 Marking and moderation of Coursework

Internal Moderation

When several teachers in a Centre are involved in internal assessments, arrangements must be made within the Centre for all candidates to be assessed to a common standard.

It is essential that within each Centre the marks within different teaching groups (e.g. different classes and different specialisms such as Textiles, Photography etc.) are moderated internally for the whole Centre entry. The Centre assessments will then be subject to external moderation by CIE.

External Moderation

CIE sends a computer-printed Coursework mark sheet MS1 to each Centre (in late March for the June examination and in early October for the November examination) showing the names and candidate numbers of each candidate. Transfer the total internally moderated mark for each candidate from the Coursework Assessment Summary Form to the form MS1.

The top copy of the form MS1 mark sheet must be despatched in the envelope provided, to arrive as soon as possible at CIE but no later than 30 April for the June examination and 31 October for the November examination.

Centres will send a sample of the candidates’ work covering the full ability range. This sample must be sent to CIE along with the corresponding Individual Candidate Record cards, Coursework Assessment Summary Form and the second copy of MS1, to reach CIE by 30 April for the June examination and 31 October for the November examination.

If there are ten or fewer candidates, all the Coursework that contributed to the final mark for all the candidates must be sent to CIE. Where there are more than ten candidates, all the Coursework that contributed to the final mark for ten of them will be required. A further sample of Coursework may subsequently be required. All records and supporting written work should be retained until after the publication of the results.
Where work is too fragile or bulky or otherwise unsuitable to be sent by post, a photographic record of the work must be sent for moderation purposes. In this instance the Centre will be required to send an additional candidate’s work to CIE for moderation. The Centre should select a candidate’s work that is easily transportable and of a similar mark to the one originally requested.

The Principal and the Art and Design teacher will be required to sign a statement certifying the work submitted for assessment is the candidate’s own unaided work.

Each Centre must ensure that each candidate’s work is clearly identified by name and candidate number.

The Moderator will check that:

(i) the marking criteria have been applied;
(ii) the marking is accurate and consistent;
(iii) the marking has been standardised if more than one marker has been used.

Each Centre must ensure that all the work submitted for moderation is clearly labelled.
Please read the instructions printed overleaf and the General Coursework Regulations before completing this form.

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Marks to be transferred to Coursework Assessment Summary Form

TOTAL (max 100)
A. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING INDIVIDUAL RECORD CARDS

1. Complete the information at the head of the form.
2. Mark the Component 4: Coursework Assignment for each candidate according to instructions given in the Syllabus booklet.
3. Enter marks for the separate assessment objectives and the total mark in the appropriate spaces. Complete any other sections of the form as required.
4. Ensure that the addition of marks is independently checked.
5. It is essential that the marks of candidates from different teaching groups within each Centre are moderated internally. This means that the marks awarded to all candidates within a Centre must be brought to a common standard by the teacher responsible for co-ordinating the internal assessment (i.e. the internal moderator), and a single valid and reliable set of marks should be produced which reflects the relative attainment of all the candidates taking Component 4: Coursework Assignment at the Centre.
6. Transfer the marks to the Coursework Assessment Summary Form in accordance with the instructions given on that document.
7. Retain all Individual Candidate Record Cards and Coursework which will be required for external moderation. Further detailed instructions about external moderation will be sent in late March for the June Examination and early October for the November Examination. See also the instructions on the Coursework Assessment Summary Form.

Note: These Record Cards are to be used by teachers only for candidates who have undertaken Coursework as part of their IGCSE.
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Name of teacher completing this form
Signature
Date

Name of internal moderator
Signature
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June 2012
A. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING COURSEWORK ASSESSMENT SUMMARY FORMS

1. Complete the information at the head of the form.
2. List the candidates in candidate number order where this is known (see Item B1 below). Show the teaching group or set where applicable for each candidate. The initials of a teacher may be used to indicate the group or set.
3. Transfer each candidate’s marks from his or her Individual Candidate Record Card to this form as follows:
   (a) Where there are columns for individual skills or assignments enter the marks initially awarded (i.e. before internal moderation took place).
   (b) In the column headed ‘Total Mark’, enter the total mark awarded before internal moderation took place.
   (c) In the column headed ‘Internally Moderated Mark’, enter the total mark awarded after internal moderation took place.
4. Both the teacher completing the form and the internal moderator (or moderators) should check the form and complete and sign the bottom portion.

B. PROCEDURES FOR EXTERNAL MODERATION

1. University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) sends a computer-printed Coursework mark sheet MS1 to each Centre (in late March for the June examination and in early October for the November examination) showing the names and candidate numbers of each candidate. Transfer the total internally moderated mark for each candidate from the Coursework Assessment Summary Form to the computer-printed Coursework mark sheet MS1.
2. The top copy of form MS1 must be despatched in envelope provided to arrive as soon as possible at CIE but no later than 30 April for the June examination and 31 October for the November examination.
3. Centres will send a sample of the candidates' work covering the full ability range. This sample must be sent to CIE along with the corresponding Individual Candidate Record Cards, Coursework Assessment Summary Form and the second copy of MS1, to reach CIE by 30 April for the June examination and 30 October for the November examination.
4. Where more than one teacher is involved in marking the work, you should indicate this on Form MS1 so that the sample will include candidates marked by all teachers. Candidates will be selected so that the whole range is covered, with marks spaced as evenly as possible from the top mark to the lowest mark.
5. CIE reserves the right to ask for further samples of Coursework.
6. Send, with the sample, any relevant instructions that were given to the candidates and information as to how internal moderation was carried out.
8. Grade descriptions

**Grade A**
Candidates awarded Grade A will have met all the Assessment Objectives to a high level. They will have demonstrated a firm grasp of skills and a superior creative ability in the options chosen. Their work will show a high degree of organisation, extensive investigation and will be characterised by an interpretation which is highly personal and perceptive, reflecting informed and considered judgement.

**Grade C**
Candidates awarded Grade C will have met most of the Assessment Objectives. They will have demonstrated competence in their grasp of skills and an appropriate creative ability in the options chosen. Their work will show a degree of organisation, and evidence of research, and will be characterised by self-awareness and straightforward personal response.

**Grade F**
Candidates awarded Grade F will have met a few of the Assessment Objectives. They will have demonstrated limited skills and creative ability in the options chosen. Whilst showing evidence of interest and effort, their work will generally be weak in organisation, demonstrating only limited self-awareness. It will be characterised by a heavy reliance on secondary sources.
Art and Design practical examinations often have specific requirements which are usually different from written examinations. In the majority of cases they will be held in the art studio but a significant number of Centres may choose to hold them in standard classrooms. Depending on the media that candidates are using, they may find that they have a considerable amount of equipment and materials on their work space. In addition, some candidates will need to be able to move around the studio because they need to access specific technical equipment and different materials.

These guidelines should be consulted by the teacher, prior to, during, and after the examination, and also by the invigilator.

You are advised to contact CIE where an issue arises that is not covered in these guidelines.

Part 1: Prior to starting any supporting work

Teacher Information

Size and Weight of Work
Before candidates begin to plan their finished piece or start their supporting work, they must be aware of the size and weight restrictions. Each candidate’s work must not exceed 4.5kg; nor must it exceed 750 mm in any direction.

Inappropriate Material
Candidates may work in any appropriate media. CIE does not wish to restrict the creative process behind works of art, but Teachers are reminded that the use of inappropriate media can be potentially dangerous to those packing the scripts and to the examiners. The following is a list of items presented in the past that are deemed to be inappropriate.

- Hypodermic needles
- Syringes
- Any glass, including mirrors
- Animal skin
- Fresh organic matter
- Barbed wire
- Plaster
- Unfired clay
- Razor blades
- Plant material with roots attached

Centres are advised to contact CIE if they are in doubt about the suitability of materials. Any work carried out in an inappropriate medium will not be assessed if Health and Safety considerations render this impossible. Teachers must be aware that certain materials will create problems with Customs and Excise or are CITES (Convention on International Trade of Endangered Species) listed.

Use of Sketchbooks
Candidates should be advised they may use a sketchbook for any drawings/other research material. If a candidate wishes to submit any of this as supporting work, then this must be detached from the sketchbook prior to the start of the examination.
Part 2: Prior to the examination – supporting work

Invigilator and Teacher Information

0400/01, 02 candidates must have **eight weeks**¹ preparatory time in which to produce their supporting work.

During the preparatory time, candidates should produce supporting work in response to **one** question from the question paper. They must bring this supporting work into the examination as their reference material.

Any pre-prepared material, such as outlines or sketches made onto the paper/canvas in advance of the examination, or pre-prepared tracings, are **not allowed**². **The supporting work alone should act as the source material for the examination** and any tracing or copying that is required (e.g. for repeat-pattern designs for textiles) should take place **during** the examination.

If tracing paper is required during the examination (e.g. for repeat-pattern designs for textiles), then it must be attached to the supporting studies as evidence; this will, however, not contribute to the total number of sheets of supporting studies. Candidates’ own photographs may be used as reference material but must also be submitted with the supporting studies (either mounted on the supporting studies sheets or included in a labelled envelope and attached to the work). Candidates must not take enlarged photographs into the examination to trace from.

Supporting work must be brought into the examination room at the start of the examination and must not leave the examination room until it is sent to CIE with the final examination piece. Candidates are not allowed access to their supporting work between examination sessions and they cannot replace work or submit additional supporting work once the examination has started. All supporting work must be labelled and must be clearly distinguishable from the final examination piece.

When the candidates arrive, ensure that all their supporting work is placed on their work stations.

All supporting work and examination work must be made secure after each session and overnight at the end of each day. Candidates who have not brought any supporting work to the start of the examination will not be allowed to submit any at a later time. They should be instructed to start the examination piece and not attempt to produce supporting work during the allotted examination time.

Candidates are **not** allowed to take books/magazines into the examination room as supporting work.

If a candidate decides that they do not want to submit all the supporting work that they have taken into the examination then the unwanted work must be handed to the invigilator at the end of the examination. This

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¹ **eight weeks** is defined as school weeks in term time. Any holiday time that might fall within the period should be treated as additional time.

² Unless permission for a specific task has been granted by CIE.
work should be clearly marked up as ‘not to be submitted’ and the invigilator must ensure that it is retained securely until after the end of the enquiries on results period.

Additional Note for Teachers
Teachers are reminded that candidates should select sufficient supporting work to support the final examination piece(s). Supporting work comprises work that is the candidate’s own work/photographs, and should be selected and organised in a manner that shows research, exploration of ideas, development of theme and experiments with media and materials.

Part 3: The examination – preparation of materials

Invigilator and Teacher information
Prepared grounds, such as patterned or textured paper, are permissible but any pre-prepared material, such as outlines or sketches made onto the paper/canvas in advance of the examination, or pre-prepared tracings, are not allowed. The supporting work alone should act as the source material for the examination and any tracing or copying that is required (e.g. for repeat-pattern designs for textiles) should take place during the examination.

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The following are NOT to be included in the time allowance for the examination:

- arrangement of still life groups
- mixing of photographic chemicals and washing and drying of prints
- rest periods for life models
- casting, mounting and trimming of work
- stretching of screens/preparation of blocks
- trimming and mounting of finished piece(s).

All ceramic work must be fired and completed before assessment. It is recommended that candidates undertaking this approach have their examination scheduled as early as possible within the period, as considerable time is needed for drying and firing. It is also advisable to photograph ceramic work at each stage, in case of accidents in the kiln.

Any painted work must be carried out in a quick-drying medium and must be completely dry before it is despatched for marking.
9. Appendix: Guide to administering Art and Design examinations

Part 4: Invigilation of the examination

Invigilator and Teacher Information
The Teacher who has prepared the candidates for the examination must **not** be the sole the invigilator. However, it is necessary that a teacher who has prepared the candidates be available at the start of each examination session and as required throughout the whole examination to deal with any technical issues that may arise (see *Handbook for Centres*).

1. Familiarise yourself with the **Checklist for Invigilators**, which applies to Invigilators of both written and practical examinations. CIE regulations require that all persons, except members of staff acting as invigilators, or other authorised personnel such as artist’s models, and the candidates engaged in each examination, must be excluded from the examination room.

2. Prior to the arrival of the candidates and the start of the examination, familiarise yourself with the set up of the room. It is unlikely that the room will be free from art work but you should be confident that candidates cannot easily access any work that is not their own, to copy or submit as their own.

3. Where possible candidates should carry out the work in sessions lasting no less than three hours.

4. Centres are provided with a final date by which the examination must be completed and should schedule the examination date/s accordingly within that period. In some cases it may be necessary for Centres to schedule different groups of candidates to take the same examination on different days. For example 0400/01 candidates A to M take the examination on 4, 5 and 6 April and candidates N to Z take the same examination on 10, 11 and 12 April.

   In some cases, it may be necessary for examination dates to be rescheduled. Candidates who may qualify for Special Consideration due to missing part of the examination because of recent illness, accident, etc. (see *Handbook for Centres*, Section 6.15) may be advised to reschedule their examination later in the period. Centres are advised to refer to the *Handbook for Centres* and to seek clarification from CIE.

   Rescheduling within the period should not be used to accommodate candidates who might have failed to turn up for a session without good reason.

5. Whilst CIE does not encourage the use of mp3 players, personal radios, mobile/cell phones (for candidates to listen to music), it remains at the Centre’s discretion to make them permissible. Centres need to be aware that many such devices now also store visual images and that invigilation must ensure that candidates only use them to play music.

6. All candidates must be provided with their own equipment such as scissors, erasers, paint, etc. Candidates should not need to share basic art equipment.

7. During the examination, it is recognised that some movement by candidates and spoken instructions may be necessary – but please ensure that these are essential to the examination. All equipment and chemicals should be arranged so as to minimise the need for any movement. Throughout the examination, a subject specialist should be made available to help you deal with any technical difficulties or safety issues that may arise. Candidates should initially direct questions/issues relating to technical matters and materials to the invigilator, who will in turn refer them to the available technician/teacher.
8. Candidates must not talk to each other or distract each other in any way.
9. The invigilator must be constantly vigilant and observant.
10. You should move around the studio. In the unlikely event that there is a serious breach of examination security (e.g. obvious collusion between candidates), the Head of Centre should be informed and the incident detailed on the Supervisor’s Report. CIE must be informed immediately of any such incident. If a candidate is disruptive, the Head of Centre should be informed and the candidate should be removed quietly from the examination room. Again, CIE must be informed immediately of such an incident.
11. If a candidate appears to be having problems with faulty equipment or if they incur any accidents such as water being spilt and spoiling work, inform the technician/teacher. A note should be made on the Supervisor’s Report of any such help given to the candidate and included with the scripts for despatch to CIE.
12. Invigilators and technicians/teachers must not comment on any aspect of the candidates’ work, and should not communicate with candidates except for administrative or safety reasons. It is permissible for teachers to instruct candidates on clearing up and tidying procedures at the end of the session and as appropriate throughout the examination.
13. If a candidate is experiencing difficulties in the examination, communication should be with that candidate only and general announcements should not be made. If there is a problem with the equipment supplied, an announcement may be made but, again, a note must be made in the Supervisor’s Report, detailing the announcement and reasons, and included in the scripts for despatch to CIE.

Part 5: At the end of the examination

Teacher Information

1. Work carried out using chalk, pastels or charcoal must be fixed before despatch.
2. Candidates’ work should not be individually wrapped in tissue paper or protective film as this not only adds to the transportation costs but hinders the marking process. If necessary, a single loose sheet of tissue paper could be placed on top of the work.
3. Trimming and mounting of work is not included in the examination time. This should be completed after the examination but the Centre must ensure that the work remains secure and within the weight/height restrictions. Centres are advised not to mount work using heavy card or board.
4. Candidates must be instructed to label their work correctly. The candidate’s name, number and Centre number must all be written clearly on the labels provided. The label must be attached to the top right-hand corner of the front of each sheet of work. As a precaution, the same information should be printed clearly on the reverse of the work.
5. If a candidate has produced supporting work that they then decide they do not wish to submit for assessment, this work must be handed to the invigilator at the end of the examination. The work should be clearly marked up as ‘not to be submitted’ and the Centre must ensure that this work is retained securely until after the end of the enquiries on results period.
Part 6: Despatch of examination work and supporting work

Teacher Information

1. The examination work and the appropriate supporting work must be packed together with the examination work on top. Supporting work must be securely fastened to the examination piece at the top left-hand corner, and it must be packed in candidate number order so that candidate with the lowest candidate number is placed on top of the pile, i.e. the order in which the candidates appear on the attendance register. The attendance register must be placed on the top of the pile.

2. Ideally, work should not be folded or rolled.

3. Any 3D work must be packed in durable containers and in such a way as to minimise the movement of the work within the container. Centres are advised to obtain polythene ‘bubble wrap’. Newspaper and sawdust are not suitable packing materials.

4. Examination work and supporting work must be sent to CIE as soon as it is completed. Centres should not wait until the end of the examination period before despatching the work.

5. Where possible the work should be packed in the large white plastic envelopes provided by CIE. Work for each component must be packed separately. All work should be sent to:
   University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE)
   Hill Farm Road
   Whittlesford
   Cambridge
   United Kingdom
   CB22 4FZ
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11. Additional information

11.1 Guided learning hours

IGCSE syllabuses are designed on the assumption that candidates have about 130 guided learning hours per subject over the duration of the course. (‘Guided learning hours’ include direct teaching and any other supervised or directed study time. They do not include private study by the candidate.)

However, this figure is for guidance only, and the number of hours required may vary according to local curricular practice and the candidates’ prior experience of the subject.

11.2 Recommended prior learning

Candidates beginning this course are not expected to have studied Art and Design previously.

11.3 Progression

IGCSE Certificates are general qualifications that enable candidates to progress either directly to employment, or to proceed to further qualifications.

Candidates who are awarded grades C to A* in IGCSE Art and Design are well prepared to follow courses leading to AS and A Level Art and Design, or the equivalent.

11.4 Component codes

Because of local variations, in some cases component codes will be different in instructions about making entries for examinations and timetables from those printed in this syllabus, but the component names will be unchanged to make identification straightforward.

11.5 Grading and reporting

IGCSE results are shown by one of the grades A*, A, B, C, D, E, F or G indicating the standard achieved, Grade A* being the highest and Grade G the lowest. ‘Ungraded’ indicates that the candidate's performance fell short of the standard required for Grade G. ‘Ungraded’ will be reported on the statement of results but not on the certificate. For some language syllabuses CIE also reports separate oral endorsement grades on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being the highest).
Percentage uniform marks are also provided on each candidate's Statement of Results to supplement their grade for a syllabus. They are determined in this way:

- A candidate who obtains...
  - ... the minimum mark necessary for a Grade A* obtains a percentage uniform mark of 90%.
  - ... the minimum mark necessary for a Grade A obtains a percentage uniform mark of 80%.
  - ... the minimum mark necessary for a Grade B obtains a percentage uniform mark of 70%.
  - ... the minimum mark necessary for a Grade C obtains a percentage uniform mark of 60%.
  - ... the minimum mark necessary for a Grade D obtains a percentage uniform mark of 50%.
  - ... the minimum mark necessary for a Grade E obtains a percentage uniform mark of 40%.
  - ... the minimum mark necessary for a Grade F obtains a percentage uniform mark of 30%.
  - ... the minimum mark necessary for a Grade G obtains a percentage uniform mark of 20%.
  - ... no marks receives a percentage uniform mark of 0%.

Candidates whose mark is none of the above receive a percentage mark in between those stated according to the position of their mark in relation to the grade 'thresholds' (i.e. the minimum mark for obtaining a grade). For example, a candidate whose mark is halfway between the minimum for a Grade C and the minimum for a Grade D (and whose grade is therefore D) receives a percentage uniform mark of 55%.

The uniform percentage mark is stated at syllabus level only. It is not the same as the ‘raw’ mark obtained by the candidate, since it depends on the position of the grade thresholds (which may vary from one session to another and from one subject to another) and it has been turned into a percentage.

### 11.6 Resources

Copies of syllabuses, the most recent question papers and Principal Examiners’ reports are available on the Syllabus and Support Materials CD-ROM, which is sent to all CIE Centres.

Resources are also listed on CIE’s public website at [www.cie.org.uk](http://www.cie.org.uk). Please visit this site on a regular basis as the Resource lists are updated through the year.

Access to teachers’ email discussion groups, suggested schemes of work and regularly updated resource lists may be found on the CIE Teacher Support website at [http://teachers.cie.org.uk](http://teachers.cie.org.uk). This website is available to teachers at registered CIE Centres.