

50% OF MARKS

in Higher Tier papers cover grades from 9-9 to 7-6

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in Higher Tier papers cover grades from 6-6 to 4-4

On the Higher Tier there is an allowed 4-3 grade for candidates who just miss the 4-4 grade

There is no UMS in the reformed GCSE. Therefore candidates who miss the allowed 4-3 grade on the Higher Tier receive a U



KEY

- Higher Tier only
- Higher and Foundation Tier
- Foundation Tier only

The highest grade available on the Foundation Tier is 5-5

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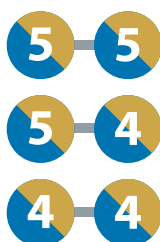
in Foundation Tier papers cover grades from 5-5 to 3-3

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in Foundation Tier papers cover grades from 3-3 to 1-1

Candidates who are aiming for a 4-4 in GCSE Combined Science are able to access twice as many marks in the Foundation Tier papers as they can in the Higher Tier papers.

COMMON GRADES



20%
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targeted at grades common to Higher and Foundation Tier

MATHS DEMAND

Higher Tier

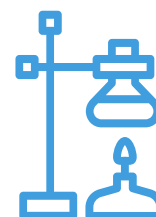
Not lower than demand expected for Foundation Tier GCSE Maths



Foundation Tier

Not lower than demand expected of students at Key Stage 3 Maths

PRACTICAL



MINIMUM
15%
OF MARKS

assess practical skills, in both tiers across all components and assessment objectives

The advice provided on this sheet is based on feedback received from teachers, and is **for guidance only**. Teachers are best placed to make decisions for their students.

