

6 International GCSE

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1 Introduction

1.1 Information on retaking International GCSEs

Candidates wishing to retake an International GCSE are required to retake all written units in the qualification. All non-examined assessment results can be carried forward from a previous series provided the relevant transferred entry option is selected when making the entry.

2 Entry procedures and key dates

2.1 Entry procedures

Support for entries and registrations can be found [here](#).

2.2 Private candidates

Private candidates are candidates taking a qualification without being enrolled full time in a centre. They are responsible for their own entries, which must be made through an approved centre. Some qualifications are not available to private candidates. For a full list of qualifications and private candidate eligibility see our website.

2.3 Fees

Information about fees can be found [here](#).

2.4 Entry deadlines and results

Please see the Key Dates section of this manual for entry and results dates, and the certification and centre mark submission dates. The Key Dates section also includes details of when EDI basedata and Edexcel Online are available for the submission of entries.

2.5 Retention of certificates

It is no longer necessary to return uncollected certificates to us. They may be destroyed (in a confidential manner) after retention for a period of no less than 12 months from the date of issue. Centres that do not have a means of destroying certificates confidentially may return them to our Manchester office. A record of certificates that have been destroyed should be retained for four years from their date of destruction. Centres must comply with any request from us to return a certificate. Certificates remain the property of the awarding bodies at all times.

2.6 Option codes

Customers whose centres are based in specified countries must use alternative option codes, where applicable, as listed in this manual (for example, 4BI1 R). Pearson requires the following countries to use the alternative option codes: Australia, Azerbaijan, Brunei, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Laos, Macau, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Oman, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, United Arab Emirates and Vietnam.

January 2023 series will be the final January series available for International GCSE.

The new November series will not require R papers. Instead, exams in this series will predominantly be scheduled in the AM slot (GMT) to ensure that centres can run exams at reasonable local times.

3 Exams Officer support

Further support and information can be found [here](#).

4 International GCSE Availability

ACCOUNTING

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4AC1		Accounting (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4AC1	R	Accounting (Papers 1R & 2R)	No	Yes	No

ARABIC (FIRST LANGUAGE)

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4AA1		Arabic (First Language) (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes

ART AND DESIGN: FINE ART

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4FA1		Art and Design: Fine Art (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

ART AND DESIGN: GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4GC1		Art and Design: Graphic Communication (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

ART AND DESIGN: PHOTOGRAPHY

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4PY1		Art and Design: Photography (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

ART AND DESIGN: TEXTILE DESIGN

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4TE1		Art and Design: Textile Design (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

ART AND DESIGN: THREE-DIMENSIONAL DESIGN

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4TD1		Art and Design: Three-dimensional Design (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

BANGLA

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4BA0		Bangla (Paper 1)	Yes	Yes	Yes

BANGLADESH STUDIES

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4BN1		Bangladesh Studies (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

BIOLOGY

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4BI1		Biology (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4BI1	R	Biology (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No

BUSINESS

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4BS1		Business (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	Yes
4BS1	R	Business (Papers 1R & 2R)	No	Yes	No

CHEMISTRY

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4CH1		Chemistry (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4CH1	R	Chemistry (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No

CHINESE

Note: The speaking component is compulsory. For information about the oral window for the speaking exam please refer to the full Key Dates table on our website at [qualifications.pearson.com/infomanual](https://www.pearson.com/infomanual). The speaking assessment will be available in Mandarin and Cantonese. The option chosen for each candidate is indicated by its entry code. For subject-specific information please see the specification.

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4CN1	C	Chinese (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component - Cantonese)	No	Yes	Yes
4CN1	M	Chinese (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component - Mandarin)	No	Yes	Yes
4CN1	CR	Chinese (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component - Cantonese)	No	Yes	No
4CN1	MR	Chinese (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component - Mandarin)	No	Yes	No
4CN1	CT	Chinese (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component - Cantonese) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	Yes
4CN1	MT	Chinese (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component - Mandarin) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	Yes
4CN1	RT	Chinese (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component - Cantonese) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	No
4CN1	RV	Chinese (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component - Mandarin) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	No

COMMERCE**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4CM1		Commerce (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4CM1	R	Commerce (Papers 1R & 2R)	No	Yes	No

COMPUTER SCIENCE**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4CP0	A	Computer Science (Papers 1 & 2A: Application - Python)	No	Yes	No
4CP0	B	Computer Science (Papers 1 & 2B: Application - C#)	No	Yes	No
4CP0	C	Computer Science (Papers 1 & 2C: Application - Java)	No	Yes	No

ECONOMICS**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4EC1		Economics (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EC1	R	Economics (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Note: The optional speaking component will be awarded a separate grade from the subject grade, and both will be reported on the certificate. An additional fee is payable for each candidate entered for Paper 3 Speaking. For information about the oral window for the speaking option please refer to the full Key Dates table on our website at qualifications.pearson.com/infomanual. For subject-specific information please see the specification.

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4ES1		English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4ES1	E	English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1, 2 & Optional Paper 3)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4ES1	ET	English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1, 2 & Optional Paper 3) (Transferred from previous series)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4ES1	R	English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No
4ES1	ER	English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1R, 2R & Optional Paper 3)	Yes	Yes	No
4ES1	RT	English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1R, 2R & Optional Paper 3) (Transferred from previous series)	Yes	Yes	No

ENGLISH LANGUAGE SPECIFICATION A**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4EA1	A	English Language Specification A (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EA1	AE	English Language Specification A (Papers 1 & 2 & Spoken language endorsement)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EA1	B	English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EA1	BE	English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 & Spoken language endorsement)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EA1	FT	English Language Specification A (Papers 1 & 2 & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EA1	GT	English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EA1	HT	English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series) & Spoken language endorsement)	Yes	Yes	Yes

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4EA1	KT	English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series) & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EA1	JT	English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EA1	AR	English Language Specification A (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No
4EA1	BR	English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3)	Yes	Yes	No
4EA1	CR	English Language Specification A (Papers 1R & 2R & Spoken language endorsement)	Yes	Yes	No
4EA1	DR	English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 & Spoken language endorsement)	Yes	Yes	No
4EA1	LT	English Language Specification A (Papers 1R & 2R & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	No
4EA1	MT	English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	No
4EA1	NT	English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series) & Spoken language endorsement)	Yes	Yes	No
4EA1	PT	English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	No
4EA1	RT	English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series) & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	No

ENGLISH LANGUAGE SPECIFICATION B

What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4EB1		English Language Specification B (Paper 1)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EB1	E	English Language Specification B (Paper 1 & Spoken language endorsement)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EB1	ET	English Language Specification B (Paper 1 & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	Yes
4EB1	R	English Language Specification B (Paper 1R)	Yes	Yes	No
4EB1	RE	English Language Specification B (Paper 1R & Spoken language endorsement)	Yes	Yes	No
4EB1	RT	English Language Specification B (Paper 1R & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	No

ENGLISH LITERATURE**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4ET1	A	English Literature (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4ET1	B	English Literature (Paper 1 & Coursework 3)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4ET1	BT	English Literature (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	Yes
4ET1	AR	English Literature (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No
4ET1	BR	English Literature (Paper 1R & Coursework 3)	Yes	Yes	No
4ET1	RT	English Literature (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series))	Yes	Yes	No

FRENCH

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What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4FR1		French (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component)	No	Yes	Yes
4FR1	T	French (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	Yes
4FR1	R	French (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component)	No	Yes	No
4FR1	RT	French (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	No

FURTHER PURE MATHEMATICS**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4PM1		Further Pure Mathematics (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4PM1	R	Further Pure Mathematics (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No

GEOGRAPHY**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4GE1		Geography (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	Yes
4GE1	R	Geography (Papers 1R & 2R)	No	Yes	No

GERMAN

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What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4GN1		German (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component)	No	Yes	No
4GN1	T	German (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	No
4GN1	R	German (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component)	No	Yes	No
4GN1	RT	German (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	No

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4GL1		Global Citizenship (Paper 1)	No	Yes	No

GREEK (FIRST LANGUAGE)**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4GK1		Greek (first language) (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

HISTORY**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4HI1		History (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	Yes
4HI1	R	History (Papers 1R & 2R)	No	Yes	No

HUMAN BIOLOGY**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4HB1		Human Biology (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4HB1	R	Human Biology (Papers 1R & 2R)	No	Yes	No

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4IT1		Information and Communication Technology (ICT) (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	Yes
4IT1	R	Information and Communication Technology (ICT) (Papers 1R & 2)	No	Yes	No

ISLAMIC STUDIES**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4IS1		Islamic Studies	No	Yes	No

MATHEMATICS SPECIFICATION A**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4MA1	F	Mathematics Specification A (Papers 1F & 2F)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4MA1	H	Mathematics Specification A (Papers 1H & 2H)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4MA1	FR	Mathematics Specification A (Papers 1FR & 2FR)	Yes	Yes	No
4MA1	HR	Mathematics Specification A (Papers 1HR & 2HR)	Yes	Yes	No

MATHEMATICS SPECIFICATION B**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4MB1		Mathematics Specification B (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4MB1	R	Mathematics Specification B (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No

PAKISTAN STUDIES**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4PA1		Pakistan Studies (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

PHYSICS**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4PH1		Physics (Papers 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4PH1	R	Physics (Papers 1R & 2R)	Yes	Yes	No

RELIGIOUS STUDIES**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4RS1		Religious Studies (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No

SCIENCE SINGLE AWARD**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4SS0		Science Single Award (Biology Paper 1, Chemistry Paper 1 & Physics Paper 1)	No	Yes	No

SCIENCE DOUBLE AWARD**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4SD0		Science Double Award (Biology Paper 1, Chemistry Paper 1 & Physics Paper 1)	Yes	Yes	Yes
4SD0	R	Science Double Award (Biology Paper 1R, Chemistry Paper 1R & Physics Paper 1R)	Yes	Yes	No

SINHALA**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4S11		Sinhala (Paper 1)	No	Yes	No

SPANISH

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What entry options are available?

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4SP1		Spanish (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component)	No	Yes	No
4SP1	T	Spanish (Papers 1 & 2) Paper 3 (Speaking Component) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	No
4SP1	R	Spanish (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component)	No	Yes	No
4SP1	RT	Spanish (Papers 1R & 2R) Paper 3 (Speaking Component) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	No

SWAHILI**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4SW1		Swahili (Papers 1 & 2)	No	Yes	No
4SW1	E	Swahili (Papers 1, 2 & Speaking Component)	No	Yes	No
4SW1	ET	Swahili (Papers 1, 2 & Speaking Component) (Transferred from previous series)	No	Yes	No

TAMIL**What entry options are available?**

Specification			Availability		
Entry	Option	Title	Jan 2023	Jun 2023	Nov 2023
4TA1		Tamil (Paper 1)	No	Yes	No