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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

Please see qualifications.pearson.com/exam-support for details on how to make entries on Edexcel Online and EDI.

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 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.

2.4 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.

2.5 Option codes

Customers whose centres are based in specified countries must use alternative option codes, where applicable, as listed in this manual (for example, 4B11 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.

3 International GCSE: January and June 2021 availability

ACCOUNTING

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4AC1 | | Accounting (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4AC1 | R | Accounting (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

ARABIC (FIRST LANGUAGE)

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4AA1 | | Arabic (First Language) (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4AA1 | R | Arabic (First Language) (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

ART AND DESIGN: FINE ART

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4FA1 | | Art and Design: Fine Art (Paper 1 only) | Yes | No | Yes |

ART AND DESIGN: GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4GC1 | | Art and Design: Graphic Communication (Paper 1 only) | Yes | No | Yes |

ART AND DESIGN: PHOTOGRAPHY

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4PY1 | | Art and Design: Photography (Paper 1 only) | Yes | No | Yes |

ART AND DESIGN: TEXTILE DESIGN

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4TE1 | | Art and Design: Textile Design (Paper 1 only) | Yes | No | Yes |

ART AND DESIGN: THREE-DIMENSIONAL DESIGN**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4TD1 | | Art and Design: Three-dimensional Design (Paper 1 only) | Yes | No | Yes |

BANGLA**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4BA0 | | Bangla (Paper 1) | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4BN1 | | Bangladesh Studies (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

BIOLOGY**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4BI1 | | Biology (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 4BI1 | R | Biology (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | Yes | Yes |

BUSINESS**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|-------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4BS1 | | Business (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4BS1 | R | Business (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

CHEMISTRY**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4CH1 | | Chemistry (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 4CH1 | R | Chemistry (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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. 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 | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4CN1 | | Chinese (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | No |
| 4CN1 | | Chinese (Papers 1 & 2) Endorsement (Speaking Component) | No | No | Yes |
| 4CN1 | R | Chinese (Papers 1 & 2) Endorsement (Speaking Component) | No | No | Yes |

COMMERCE**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|-------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4CM1 | | Commerce (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4CM1 | R | Commerce (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4CP0 | A | Computer Science (Papers 1 & 2A: Application - Python) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4CP0 | B | Computer Science (Papers 1 & 2B: Application - C#) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4CP0 | C | Computer Science (Papers 1 & 2C: Application - Java) | Yes | No | Yes |

ECONOMICS**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4EC1 | | Economics (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EC1 | R | Economics (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

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 | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4ES1 | | English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ES1 | E | English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1, 2 & Optional Paper 3) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ES1 | ET | English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1, 2 & Optional Paper 3) (Transferred from previous series) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ES1 | R | English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ES1 | ER | English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1, 2 & Optional Paper 3) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ES1 | RT | English as a Second Language (ESL) (Papers 1, 2 & Optional Paper 3) (Transferred from previous series) | Yes | No | Yes |

ENGLISH LANGUAGE SPECIFICATION A

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4EA1 | A | English Language Specification A (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | AE | English Language Specification A (Papers 1 & 2 & Spoken language endorsement) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | B | English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | BE | English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 & Spoken language endorsement) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | FT | English Language Specification A (Papers 1 & 2 & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | GT | English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | HT | English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series) & Spoken language endorsement) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | KT | English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series) & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | JT | English Language Specification A (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | AR | English Language Specification A (Papers 1R & 2R) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | BR | English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | CR | English Language Specification A (Papers 1R & 2R & Spoken language endorsement) | Yes | No | Yes |

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4EA1 | DR | English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 & Spoken language endorsement) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | LT | English Language Specification A (Papers 1R & 2R & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | MT | English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | NT | English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series) & Spoken language endorsement) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | PT | English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EA1 | RT | English Language Specification A (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series) & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |

ENGLISH LANGUAGE SPECIFICATION B

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4EB1 | | English Language Specification B (Paper 1) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EB1 | E | English Language Specification B (Paper 1 & Spoken language endorsement) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EB1 | ET | English Language Specification B (Paper 1 & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EB1 | R | English Language Specification B (Paper 1R) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EB1 | RE | English Language Specification B (Paper 1R & Spoken language endorsement) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4EB1 | RT | English Language Specification B (Paper 1R & Spoken language endorsement (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |

ENGLISH LITERATURE

What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4ET1 | A | English Literature (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ET1 | B | English Literature (Paper 1 & Coursework 3) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ET1 | BT | English Literature (Paper 1 & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ET1 | AR | English Literature (Papers 1R & 2R) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ET1 | BR | English Literature (Paper 1R & Coursework 3) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4ET1 | RT | English Literature (Paper 1R & Coursework 3 (Transferred from previous series)) | Yes | No | Yes |

FRENCH

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What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4FR1 | | French (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | No |
| 4FR1 | R | French (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | No |
| 4FR1 | | French (Papers 1 & 2) Endorsement (Speaking Component) | No | No | Yes |
| 4FR1 | R | French (Papers 1 & 2) Endorsement (Speaking Component) | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4PM1 | | Further Pure Mathematics (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4PM1 | R | Further Pure Mathematics (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

GEOGRAPHY**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4GE1 | | Geography (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4GE1 | R | Geography (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

GERMAN

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What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4GN1 | | German (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | No |
| 4GN1 | R | German (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | No |
| 4GN1 | | German (Papers 1 & 2) Endorsement (Speaking Component) | No | No | Yes |
| 4GN1 | R | German (Papers 1 & 2) Endorsement (Speaking Component) | No | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4GL1 | | Global Citizenship (Paper 1) | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4GK1 | | Greek (first language) (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

HISTORY**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4HI1 | A | History (Papers 1A and 2A) | No | No | Yes |
| 4HI1 | B | History (Papers 1B and 2B) | No | No | Yes |
| 4HI1 | AR | History (Papers 1AR and 2AR) | No | No | Yes |
| 4HI1 | BR | History (Papers 1BR and 2BR) | No | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4HB1 | | Human Biology (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4HB1 | R | Human Biology (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4IT1 | | Information and Communication Technology (ICT) (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |
| 4IT1 | R | Information and Communication Technology (ICT) (Papers 1R & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|-----------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4IS1 | | Islamic Studies | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 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 | Yes |
| 4MA1 | HR | Mathematics Specification A Papers 1HR & 2HR) | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4MB1 | | Mathematics Specification B (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 4MB1 | R | Mathematics Specification B (Papers 1R & 2R) | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4PA1 | | Pakistan Studies (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

PHYSICS**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4PH1 | | Physics (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 4PH1 | R | Physics (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | Yes | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|----------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4RS1 | | Religious Studies (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4SS0 | | Science Single Award (Biology Paper 1, Chemistry Paper 1 & Physics Paper 1) | Yes | No | Yes |

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

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4SD0 | | Science Double Award (Biology Paper 1, Chemistry Paper 1 & Physics Paper 1) | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 4SD0 | R | Science Double Award (Biology Paper 1, Chemistry Paper 1 & Physics Paper 1) | Yes | Yes | Yes |

SINHALA**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|-------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4SI1 | | Sinhala (Paper 1) | Yes | No | Yes |

SPANISH

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What entry options are available?

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|--|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4SP1 | | Spanish (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | No |
| 4SP1 | R | Spanish (Papers 1 & 2) | Yes | No | No |
| 4SP1 | | Spanish (Papers 1 & 2) Endorsement (Speaking Component) | No | No | Yes |
| 4SP1 | R | Spanish (Papers 1 & 2) Endorsement (Speaking Component) | No | No | Yes |

SWAHILI**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|---------------------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4SW1 | | Swahili (Papers 1, 2 & E) | Yes | No | Yes |

TAMIL**What entry options are available?**

| Specification | | | Availability | | |
|---------------|--------|-----------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| Entry | Option | Title | Nov 2020 | Jan 2021 | Jun 2021 |
| 4TA1 | | Tamil (Paper 1) | Yes | No | Yes |