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This major annual Circular to Centres provides advance notifications of changes to syllabuses, and it is therefore essential that the contents of this Circular are brought to the attention of the teaching staff concerned.

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GENERAL NOTICES

Notice to all Centres that offer Cambridge HIGCSE: AS Level to replace HIGCSE from 2010

HIGCSE is being withdrawn for last examination in 2009. All Centres affected will have received a communication from CIE explaining the transition arrangements and options for students. If you have not received a letter or need more information please contact our Customer Services.

Question Papers in Braille

It has been customary until recent years not to use the capital letter sign in English Braille and this has been reflected until now in the production of braille examination papers. However, the increased emphasis on literary skills and the use of access technology has led to a change in the practice of schools and colleges. In and after May/June 2008, Braille examination papers will be produced using capitals as well as lower case.

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NEW SYLLABUSES

code		first examination	code		first examination
0448	IGCSE Pakistan Studies	June 2008	9395	AS Level and A Level Travel and Tourism	June 2008
0449	IGCSE Bangladesh Studies	June 2008	9631	AS Level Design and Textiles A Level Design and Textiles	Nov 2008 Nov 2009
0457	IGCSE Global Perspectives	June 2010	9396	AS Level and A Level Physical Education	Nov 2010
0531	IGCSE isiZulu as a Second Language	Nov 2008	9679	A Level Afrikaans	Nov 2010
0607	IGCSE Cambridge International Mathematics	June 2010	8779	AS Level First Language Afrikaans	Nov 2010
8908	Cambridge Young Enterprise International	March 2008	9713	AS Level and A Level Applied ICT	June 2008

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SYLLABUSES BEING DISCONTINUED

code		final examination	code		final examination
0535	IGCSE Italian	June 2007	8971, 8972, 8973	Diploma in Office Administration (Foundation, Standard and Advanced)	Dec 2008
6030	O Level Woodwork	Nov 2009	8941, 8942, 8943	Diploma in ICT (Foundation, Standard and Advanced) <u>English and Spanish syllabuses</u>	Dec 2009
6040	O Level Metalwork	Nov 2009	8957, 8958	Diploma in Travel and Tourism (Standard and Advanced) <u>English and Mandarin Chinese syllabuses</u>	Oct 2009 (timetabled modules) Dec 2009 (on-demand modules)
6075	O Level Home Management	Nov 2007	8928, 8929, 8930,	Diploma in Business (Standard and Advanced) <u>Spanish and Mandarin Chinese syllabuses only, English continues to be available</u>	Oct 2009 (timetabled modules), Dec 2009 (on-demand modules)
7040	O level Geometrical and Mechanical Drawing	Nov 2008	8959, 8960	Diploma in Computing	Nov 2009
9332	A Level Dress and Textiles	Nov 2008	7692	Diploma in Project Management (Professional) <u>English and Mandarin Chinese syllabuses</u>	Dec 2009
8931, 8932	Diploma in IT Skills (Foundation, and Standard) <u>Spanish syllabus only</u>	Dec 2008	8996, 8997	Diploma in Management (Professional and Higher Professional) <u>Mandarin Chinese syllabus only, English continues to be available</u>	Dec 2009

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SYLLABUSES BEING REVISED (See subject pages for further information)

code		First revised examination	code		First revised examination
0400	IGCSE Art & Design	June 2010	0547	IGCSE Mandarin Chinese	June 2010
0410	IGCSE Music	June 2009	2058	O Level Islamiyat	June 2009
0413	IGCSE Physical Education	June 2009	2059	O Level Pakistan Studies	June 2010
0417	IGCSE Information and Communication Technology (this syllabus replaces 0418 IGCSE Information Technology)	June 2009	2281	O Level Economics	June 2009
0418	IGCSE Information Technology	June 2008*	3162	O Level Swahili	June 2009
0420	IGCSE Computer Studies	June 2008*	3247	O Level First Language Urdu	June 2009
0448	IGCSE Pakistan Studies	June 2010	7010	O Level Computer Studies	June 2008*
0452	IGCSE Accounting	June 2010	7110	O Level Principles of Accounts	June 2008
0453	IGCSE Development Studies	Nov 2008	8281	AS Level Japanese	Nov 2008 Nov 2010
0455	IGCSE Economics	June 2009	8291	AS Level Environmental Management	June 2008*
0470	IGCSE History	June 2009*	9694	AS and A Level Thinking Skills	June 2009
0486	IGCSE Literature in English	June 2010	9696	AS and A Level Geography	June 2010
0508	IGCSE First Language Arabic	June 2008	9698	AS and A Level Psychology	June 2008*
0509	IGCSE First Language Chinese	June 2010	8984 8985 and 8986	Cambridge ICT Starters	For assessment in 2009
0510	IGCSE English as a Second Language	June 2008*			

*minor changes only

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OTHER CHANGES TO THE AVAILABILITY OF SYLLABUSES

SYLLABUSES BEING REDUCED TO ONE EXAMINATION PER YEAR

		to become	final June examination	final November examination
0525	IGCSE German	June only	-	2007
3015	O Level French	June only	-	2007
3204	O Level Bengali	June only	-	2007

SYLLABUSES BEING INCREASED TO TWO EXAMINATIONS PER YEAR

		first examination
0530	IGCSE Spanish	November 2008
8663	AS Music	November 2009
9703	AS Music	November 2009

SYLLABUSES BEING MADE AVAILABLE WORLDWIDE

		with effect from
3247	O Level First Language Urdu	June 2009
3248	O Level Second Language Urdu	November 2008
7048	O Level Design and Communication	November 2009

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SYLLABUSES WHERE SOME, BUT NOT ALL, MODULES ARE BEING WITHDRAWN

		with effect from
8928, 8929, 8930	Diploma in Business (Standard and Advanced) <i>English syllabus:</i> Customer Care Interpersonal Business Skills	January 2008
8996, 8997	Diploma in Management (Professional and Higher Professional) <i>English syllabus:</i> People Development Performance Management Managing Operations	January 2008

SYLLABUSES BEING RESTRICTED TO CERTAIN AREAS

		restricted to	with effect from
3196	O Level Urdu	Singapore	November 2008
3199	O Level Gujarati	Singapore	November 2008
3203	O Level Panjabi	Singapore	November 2008
3204	O Level Bengali (November only. Candidates outside Singapore do the June session.)	Singapore	November 2008
3249	O Level Burmese	Singapore	November 2008
3260	O Level Thai	Singapore	November 2008

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ART AND DESIGN

IGCSE Art and
Design, Syllabus
0400

from 2010

This syllabus has been completely revised for first examination in 2010. Please see syllabus for details. Specimen papers are available on the CIE website.

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BUSINESS SUBJECTS

ACCOUNTING																
Accounting	<p>from 2009</p> <p>Introduction of International Standards. A list of equivalent terms has been added as an appendix to each Accounting syllabus from 2009. It is expected that these terms, where they are relevant to the subject and level, will be introduced into the body of the syllabus, the question papers and the mark schemes of each Accounting examination from 2010 onwards. A table of IAS and the equivalent FRS/SSAP has been added as an appendix to the 2009 syllabus for A/AS Accounting.</p>															
O Level Principles of Accounts, Syllabus 7110	<p>from 2008</p> <p>The following new scheme of assessment will be introduced.</p> <table style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th></th> <th style="text-align: center;">Duration</th> <th style="text-align: center;">marks</th> <th style="text-align: center;">weighting</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">1</td> <td>Multiple Choice</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1 hour</td> <td style="text-align: center;">30</td> <td style="text-align: center;">33.3%</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2</td> <td>Structured Questions</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2 hours</td> <td style="text-align: center;">120</td> <td style="text-align: center;">66.6%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Paper 1 (Multiple Choice) has been changed so that there will be 30 items to answer in 1 hour instead of 40 items in 1¼ hours.</p> <p>Paper 2 (Structured Questions) will increase in duration to 2 hours from 1¾ hours. There will be 120 marks on the paper. The final question will involve the preparation of the final accounts of a manufacturing or a trading business; previously it dealt with the final accounts of a trading business only.</p> <p>There are also some changes to syllabus content. The order of some of the content has been changed, and points of clarification have been given for other areas of the syllabus. A new section on Payroll has been introduced. Candidates will be expected to know about simple payroll records and the book-keeping entries for payroll. Centres are advised to consult the new syllabus for full details.</p>			Duration	marks	weighting	1	Multiple Choice	1 hour	30	33.3%	2	Structured Questions	2 hours	120	66.6%
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<p>IGCSE Accounting, Syllabus 0452</p>	<p>from 2010</p> <p>Tiers to be removed and changes to the scheme of assessment as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two written papers of equal weighting which all candidates sit • Each question paper will have questions which increase in level of difficulty so that weak candidates are able to achieve some marks and the more able candidates are stretched i.e. there is progression within the question paper itself • Discrimination between Papers 1 and 2 will be based on the assessment objectives, with Paper 1 concentrating more on Knowledge with Understanding and Paper 2 on Analysis and Evaluation • Paper 1 - Structured question paper with some multiple choice items and 4 or 5 short answer questions drawn from topics across the whole of the syllabus. All questions are compulsory and will mainly test Knowledge and Understanding, with some Analysis and Evaluation. Candidates answer on the question paper. • Paper 2 - Structured question paper consisting of 4 to 6 questions drawn from topics across the whole of the syllabus. All questions are compulsory and will test Knowledge and Understanding, but with an emphasis on Analysis and Evaluation. Candidates answer on the question paper. <p>There are some changes to the content of the syllabus. Centres are advised to consult the new syllabus for full details.</p>
<p>BUSINESS</p>	
<p>Cambridge International Diploma in Business</p> <p>Standard Level, Syllabuses 8928, 8930</p> <p>Advanced Level, Syllabus 8929</p>	<p>from 2007</p> <p><i>English syllabus:</i></p> <p>Modules in Customer Care and Interpersonal Business Skills, at Standard and Advanced Levels, were withdrawn in 2007. CIE will not accept any entries for these modules. The remaining assignment module, Business Start-Up, will continue to be available in English.</p> <p><i>Spanish and Mandarin Chinese syllabuses:</i></p> <p>The Cambridge International Diploma in Business in <u>Spanish and Mandarin Chinese</u> (Standard and Advanced Levels) has been withdrawn. After 31 December 2006 entries from new candidates will not be accepted for the Diploma in Business. Any candidates who have already made module entries by this date must complete all modules within three years of the successful completion of the first module entered. Entries for on-demand modules will not be accepted after 31 December 2009. Entries for modules with timetabled examinations will only be accepted up to and including the October 2009 examination session.</p>

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OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

Cambridge International Diploma in Office Administration Foundation Level, Syllabus 8971, Standard Level, Syllabus 8972 and Advanced Level, Syllabus 8973

from 2006

After December 2005 no entries from new candidates will be accepted. Candidates who start their courses in 2005 will be eligible to complete their courses after December 2005, within 3 years of their first module entry.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Cambridge International Diploma in Project Management Professional Level, Syllabus 7692

from 2007

English and Mandarin Chinese syllabuses:

The Cambridge International Diploma in Project Management has been withdrawn.

After 31 December 2006 entries from new candidates for the Diploma in Project Management will not be accepted. Any candidates who have already made module entries by this date must complete all modules within three years of the successful completion of the first module entered. Entries will not be accepted after 31 December 2009.

MANAGEMENT

Cambridge International Diploma in Management Professional Level, Syllabus 8996 and Higher Professional Level, Syllabus 8997

from 2007

Mandarin Chinese syllabus:

The Cambridge International Diploma in Management in Mandarin Chinese (Professional and Higher Professional Levels) has been withdrawn. After 31 December 2006 entries from new candidates for the Diploma in Management will not be accepted. Any candidates who have already made module entries by this date must complete all modules within three years of the successful completion of the first module entered. Entries will not be accepted after 31 December 2009.

from 2008

English syllabus:

The following three modules for the Cambridge International Diploma in Management have been withdrawn:

- **Higher Professional Level:** People Development (module code 4266), Performance Management (module code 4256)
- **Professional Level:** Managing Operations (module code 4250)

These modules will be available until 31 December 2007. Entries for these modules will not be accepted after 31 December 2007.

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TRAVEL AND TOURISM

AS Level and A Level Travel and Tourism, Syllabus 9395

from 2008

This syllabus will be available in June and November, starting in 2008. The examination involves four compulsory components: Paper 1 – Core Paper; Paper 2 – Planning and Managing a Travel and Tourism Event (Coursework); Paper 3 – International Business and Leisure Travel Services; Paper 4 – Specialised Tourism. It provides a direct progression route from 0471 IGCSE and 7096 O Level Travel and Tourism.

Cambridge International Diploma, Standard and Advanced Syllabuses 8957 and 8958

from 2007

English and Mandarin Chinese syllabuses:

The Cambridge International Diploma in Travel and Tourism (Standard and Advanced Levels) has been withdrawn.

After 31 December 2006 entries from new candidates will not be accepted for the Diploma in Travel and Tourism. Any candidates who have already made module entries by this date must complete all modules within three years of the successful completion of the first module entered. Entries for on-demand modules will not be accepted after 31 December 2009. Entries for modules with timetabled examinations will only be accepted up to and including the October 2009 examination session.

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CAMBRIDGE YOUNG ENTERPRISE INTERNATIONAL

Syllabus 8908

from 2008

The Cambridge Young Enterprise International Examination recognises the experience and knowledge gained by all students who have participated in the Young Enterprise Company Programme. Full details regarding this examination can be viewed on the CIE website: www.cie.org.uk including the syllabus, specimen papers and mark scheme, and resource list. The examination questions are based on a pre-released case study. Students show what they have learnt from their contribution to the running of a company and demonstrate the key skills and business understanding that they have acquired.

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COMPUTING AND ICT SUBJECTS

<p>IGCSE IT, Syllabus 0418</p>	<p>from 2008</p> <p>Minor revisions have been made to the Curriculum Content – refer to the syllabus for details.</p> <p>from 2009</p> <p>This syllabus will become IGCSE Information and Communication Technology (syllabus code 0417)</p>
<p>IGCSE Computer Studies , Syllabus 0420</p>	<p>from 2008</p> <p>Minor revisions have been made to the Curriculum Content and the Coursework Assessment Criteria – refer to the syllabus for details.</p>
<p>O Level Computer Studies, Syllabus 7010</p>	<p>from 2008</p> <p>Minor revisions have been made to the Curriculum Content and the Coursework Assessment Criteria – refer to the syllabus for details</p>
<p>Cambridge ICT Starters, Syllabuses 8984, 8985, 8986</p>	<p>Question Papers – 2007 versions</p> <p>CIE Question Papers are available for Cambridge International Centres that are registered for Cambridge ICT Starters. Please contact international@cie.org.uk for more details. These papers are available in English and Spanish.</p> <p>Revisions have been made to the 2009 syllabus document, mainly to include additional teacher guidance.</p> <p>Endorsed Text Books</p> <p>Cambridge University Press has published revised versions of the endorsed text books. The Initial Steps, Next Steps and On Track Stage 1 and On Track Stage 2 versions are now all available. These revised publications are linked to pupil resources downloadable from a website hosted by Danawa.</p>
<p>AS Level and A Level Applied Information and Communication Technology, Syllabus 9713</p>	<p>from 2008</p> <p>This new syllabus will be available in June and November, starting in 2008. The examination involves four compulsory components, with one theory paper and one practical test at either level. It provides a direct progression route for 0418 IGCSE Information Technology, but is open to any candidates aiming at applied ICT skills at this level.</p>
<p>Cambridge International Diploma in IT Skills, Foundation and Standard Syllabuses 8931 and 8932</p>	<p>from 2008</p> <p><i>Spanish syllabus:</i></p> <p>The Cambridge International Diploma in IT Skills has been withdrawn. After 31 December 2007 entries from new candidates will not be accepted for the Diploma in IT Skills. Candidates must complete all modules by 31 December 2008.</p>

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<p>Cambridge International Diploma in ICT, Foundation, Standard and Advanced Syllabuses 8941, 8942 and 8943</p>	<p>from 2008</p> <p><i>English syllabus:</i> The Cambridge International Diploma in ICT has been withdrawn. After 31 December 2007 entries from new candidates will not be accepted for the Diploma in ICT. Candidates must complete all modules by 31 December 2009.</p> <p>from 2007</p> <p><i>Spanish syllabus:</i> The Cambridge International Diploma in ICT has been withdrawn. After 31 December 2006 entries from new candidates will not be accepted for the Diploma in ICT. Candidates must complete all modules by 31 December 2009.</p>
<p>Cambridge International Diploma in Computing, Syllabuses 8959, 8960</p>	<p>from 2007</p> <p><i>English syllabus:</i> The Cambridge International Diploma in Computing has been withdrawn. After 31 December 2006 entries from new candidates for the Diploma in Computing will not be accepted. Candidates must complete all modules by 31 December 2009.</p>

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DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY SUBJECTS

<p>O Level Geometrical and Mechanical Drawing, Syllabus 7040</p>	<p>from 2009</p> <p>This syllabus will be withdrawn. The last examination will be in November 2008.</p>
<p>O level Design and Communication, Syllabus 7048</p>	<p>from 2009</p> <p>This syllabus will be available to Centres worldwide for the November session only. First examination for Centres outside of Mauritius (where it is already available) will be in November 2009.</p>
<p>O level Woodwork, Syllabus 6030</p>	<p>from 2010</p> <p>This syllabus will be withdrawn. The last examination will be in November 2009. Centres seeking an alternative may wish to consider O level Design and Technology (6043) or IGCSE Design and Technology (0445).</p>
<p>O level Metalwork, Syllabus 6040</p>	<p>from 2010</p> <p>This syllabus will be withdrawn. The last examination will be in November 2009. Centres seeking an alternative may wish to consider O level Design and Technology (6043) or IGCSE Design and Technology (0445).</p>

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DRAMA

IGCSE Drama,
Syllabus 0411

from 2006

This syllabus will be available for candidates wishing to aggregate in November. Candidates must take the written paper in the June session of the same calendar year and may then submit their coursework in November. Results will be issued after the November session.

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ECONOMICS

IGCSE Economics, Syllabus 0455	from 2009 <p>The scheme of assessment has been amended by removing the Core and Extended options. From 2009, candidates will enter for one option. The Coursework component has been discontinued to reflect the entry pattern of the majority as well as the trend in the UK for the removal of Coursework for Economics. There is also a reduction in the number of multiple-choice questions (and a corresponding reduction in the examination time for this component).</p> <p>The syllabus content has been revised in some key areas to reflect contemporary aspects of Economics, such as policies to alleviate poverty and the concept of market failure. There has been some re-ordering of the syllabus content in an attempt to link it more closely to the order of teaching. Centres are advised to consult the new syllabus for full details.</p>
O Level Economics, Syllabus 2281	from 2009 <p>The syllabus content has been revised in some key areas to reflect contemporary aspects of Economics, such as policies to alleviate poverty and the concept of market failure. There has been some re-ordering of the syllabus content in an attempt to link it more closely to the order of teaching. Centres are advised to consult the new syllabus for full details.</p>

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ENGLISH SUBJECTS

<p>IGCSE Literature in English, Syllabus 0486</p>	<p>from 2010</p> <p>Changes to the 'Closed Book' option come into effect from year 2010. In 2008 and 2009 this continues as a single component (Paper 4, covering four texts). From 2010 it will be a two component option: a revised Paper 4 plus a new Paper 5. These components will be timetabled separately.</p> <p>The revised Paper 4 will have a duration of 2 hours 15 minutes. Candidates will be required to answer three questions: one drama, one poetry and one prose.</p> <p>The new Paper 5 will have a duration of 45 minutes. Candidates will be required to answer one question on any one text chosen from a list of drama, poetry and prose texts.</p> <p>The styles of question on the revised Paper 4 and new Paper 5 will be the same as the set texts papers in the current syllabus.</p> <p>Please see syllabus booklet for full details.</p> <p>CIE Literature Anthologies</p> <p>A new CIE anthology of short stories <i>Stories of Ourselves</i> will be one of the set text options for examination in year 2010 and thereafter. This is published by Cambridge University Press/Cambridge UP India Pvt Ltd (not Foundation Books as advised in the syllabus). The ISBN is 978-0-521-72791-4. The CIE poetry anthology <i>Songs of Ourselves</i> is also now published by Cambridge University Press/Cambridge UP India Pvt Ltd (not Foundation Books as advised in the syllabus).</p>
<p>IGCSE English as a Second Language, Syllabus 0510</p>	<p>from 2007</p> <p>In June 2007 and thereafter, Listening tests will be presented on CD and not on cassette.</p> <p>from 2008</p> <p>Minor changes to the wording used to identify questions on Papers 3 and 4 will come into effect in 2008. Changes to the oral assessment criteria descriptors for Components 5 and 6 will also come into effect in 2008. This rewording does not change the way in which candidates and teachers prepare for the examination, nor the style and requirements of the questions.</p>

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<p>O Level Literature in English, Syllabus 2010</p>	<p>2008</p> <p>As mentioned in the previous Circular to Centres, teachers are advised that in both the June and November sessions in 2008 the question paper will include questions on <i>Twelfth Night</i>.</p> <p>CIE Literature Anthologies</p> <p>A new CIE anthology of short stories <i>Stories of Ourselves</i> will be one of the set text options for examination in year 2010 and thereafter. This is published by Cambridge University Press/Cambridge UP India Pvt Ltd (not Foundation Books as advised in the syllabus). The ISBN is 978-0-521-72791-4. The CIE poetry anthology <i>Songs of Ourselves</i> is also now published by Cambridge University Press/Cambridge UP India Pvt Ltd (not Foundation Books as advised in the syllabus).</p>
<p>AS Level Language and Literature in English, Syllabus 8695/3</p>	<p>CIE Literature Anthologies</p> <p>A new CIE anthology of short stories <i>Stories of Ourselves</i> will be one of the set text options for examination in year 2010 and thereafter. This is published by Cambridge University Press/Cambridge UP India Pvt Ltd (not Foundation Books as advised in the syllabus). The ISBN is 978-0-521-72791-4. The CIE poetry anthology <i>Songs of Ourselves</i> is also now published by Cambridge University Press/Cambridge UP India Pvt Ltd (not Foundation Books as advised in the syllabus).</p>
<p>AS/A Level Literature in English, Syllabus 9695/3</p>	<p>CIE Literature Anthologies</p> <p>A new CIE anthology of short stories <i>Stories of Ourselves</i> will be one of the set text options for examination in year 2010 and thereafter. This is published by Cambridge University Press/Cambridge UP India Pvt Ltd (not Foundation Books as advised in the syllabus). The ISBN is 978-0-521-72791-4. The CIE poetry anthology <i>Songs of Ourselves</i> is also now published by Cambridge University Press/Cambridge UP India Pvt Ltd (not Foundation Books as advised in the syllabus).</p>

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GENERAL PAPER

AS Level General
Paper, Syllabus
8004/01

from 2007

The rubric on the cover of the paper will state "Each answer should be about 500-600 words", as advised in the syllabus.

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GEOGRAPHY, NATIONAL STUDIES AND RELATED SUBJECTS

GEOGRAPHY	
All Geography syllabuses	<p>from 2009</p> <p>In accordance with the proposals of The Association for Science Education (<i>Signs Symbols and Systematics, Companion to 16-19 Science</i>), any reference to sulfur (and all compounds of sulfur) will be spelled with f and not ph in all Geography question papers. Candidates will be credited for either spelling in their answers.</p>
IGCSE Geography, Syllabus 0460	<p>from 2008</p> <p>For Paper 2 candidates should be able to use a plain sheet of paper to assist them in answering the mapwork section, in particular for measuring along roads etc or for any questions involving cross sections. The plain sheet, which appears in Additional Materials on the paper, should not be handed in. Centres are reminded not to return survey maps or photographs to CIE; only work to be assessed should be returned.</p> <p>Paper 5, the Computer Based Test, is once again available both in the June and November sessions. Please note that since it remains a live pilot this does not appear in the syllabus but it is a live examination with the benefit of a back-up, since candidates taking this should also be entered for Paper 4. Both papers test enquiry skills, as Alternatives to Coursework. Paper 5 is taken early in the examination session, Paper 4 later on. The better performance will count towards each candidate's final grade. Centres interested in Paper 5 are encouraged to consult the CIE website or to contact Customer Services.</p>
O Level Geography, Syllabus 2217	<p>from 2008</p> <p>For Paper 2 candidates should be able to use a plain sheet of paper to assist them in answering the mapwork section, in particular for measuring along roads etc or for any questions involving cross sections. The plain sheet, which appears in Additional Materials on the paper, should not be handed in. Centres are reminded not to return survey maps or photographs to CIE; only work to be assessed should be returned.</p>
AS and A Level Geography, Syllabus 9696	<p>from 2010</p> <p>The syllabus has been revised for first examination in June 2010. The structure of the <i>assessment</i> has had one alteration: in every session, Paper 1 Section A will have three physical and three human questions, providing six questions from which candidates will have to answer five, introducing a small amount of choice into this section of the Paper. The syllabus content has been reviewed and updated. Many of the changes are small but Centres are advised to check carefully. New or altered sections have been downruled in the syllabus. There is one change to the structure of the <i>syllabus</i>, reflecting the change in the assessment of Paper 1. The Human Core now has three topics: Population, <i>Migration</i> and Settlement dynamics. As the syllabus states, there are strong interrelationships between the three topics in the Human Core and questions spanning two or more topics may be set in both Sections A and C.</p>

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DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

IGCSE Development Studies, Syllabus 0453	from 2008 A revised syllabus will be examined for the first time in November 2008. There is to be no coursework option and the assessment will consist of: Paper 1 Duration 2 hours Paper 2 Duration 2 hours For full details, please consult the syllabus. Specimen papers and mark schemes are available and have been sent to existing Centres for this subject.
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ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

All Environmental Management, Syllabuses 0680, 5014, 8291	from 2009 In accordance with the proposals of The Association for Science Education (<i>Signs Symbols and Systematics, Companion to 16-19 Science</i>), sulfur (and all compounds of sulfur) will be spelled with f and not ph in all Environmental Management question papers. Candidates will be credited for either spelling in their answers.
AS Level Environmental Management, Syllabus 8291	from 2008 Some minor changes have been made to the wording of the syllabus content to provide more detail.

BANGLADESH STUDIES

IGCSE Bangladesh Studies, Syllabus 0449	from 2008 An IGCSE version will be examined for the first time in June 2008. The syllabus is identical to the one used for the O level (7094). The question papers and mark schemes will also be the same. For full details, please consult the published IGCSE 0449 syllabus, specimen question papers and mark schemes. An online pilot textbook and scheme of work are also available, as well as an Email discussion group for teachers.
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INDIA STUDIES

IGCSE India Studies	from 2012 An IGCSE syllabus is in development in association with teachers in India. Initial consultation meetings took place in Bangalore, Mumbai and New Delhi during October 2007. The finalised syllabus and specimen papers will be published in due course, as will a core textbook. For further details, please contact CIE international@cie.org.uk
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PAKISTAN STUDIES

IGCSE

Pakistan Studies,
Syllabus 0448

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O Level

Pakistan Studies,
Syllabus 2059

from 2008

An IGCSE version will be examined for the first time from June 2008. The syllabus is identical to the one used for the O level. The question papers and mark schemes will also be the same.

The IGCSE will, however, be available for examination only in the May/June session. For full details, please consult the published IGCSE 0448 syllabus, specimen question papers and mark schemes.

from 2010

A revised syllabus with revised question papers will be examined for the first time in June 2010. The changes have been made after consultation with teachers in Pakistan during 2007. The revisions apply to the O level and the IGCSE alike. For full details, please consult the published 2010 syllabus, specimen papers and mark schemes for 0448 and 2059.

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GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES

IGCSE Global Perspectives, Syllabus 0457	<p>from 2009</p> <p>Pilot teaching of IGCSE Global Perspectives began in September 2007. For pilot schools only it will be examined for the first time in June 2009.</p> <p>from 2010</p> <p>The syllabus will be available world-wide for first teaching in September 2008 and first examination in June 2010.</p> <p>The syllabus and specimen paper are available on the CIE website.</p>
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HISTORY AND CLASSICAL STUDIES

IGCSE History, Syllabus 0470	from 2009 There will be an addition to the specified content to Key Question 3 in Option B of the Core Content of the syllabus. Added to 'Hitler's foreign policy to 1939' is 'involvement in the Spanish Civil War'.
AS Level Classical Studies, Syllabus 8283	from 2012 This syllabus and its question papers will be revised during 2008, with effect from the 2012 examination. Revision will take place in association with teacher consultations. For further details, please contact CIE international@cie.org.uk

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HOME ECONOMICS SUBJECTS

DRESS AND TEXTILES / DESIGN AND TEXTILES

A Level Syllabus
9332 replaced by

**AS Level and A
Level** Design and
Textiles, Syllabus
9631

A Level from 2009 (AS Level from 2008)

Syllabus 9332 will be examined for the last time in November 2008, after which it will be replaced by the new AS and A Level Design and Textiles, syllabus code 9631.

The AS Level papers will be available for first examination in November 2008 and the full A Level will be available for first examination in November 2009.

There are three pathways available to candidates:

- (a) Those candidates who wish to take the whole of the Advanced Level qualification at the end of a two-year course of study take all four components together. If they are doing so in 2009 they must be taught for the new syllabus and must submit their Practical (Paper 2) and Coursework (Paper 4) by 31 October 2009.
- (b) Those candidates taking only an AS Level take components 1 and 2 only. This option will be examined for the first time in **2008**. The Practical (Paper 2) must be submitted by 31 October 2008.
- (c) Those candidates who wish to follow a staged assessment route to A Level may take the AS for the new syllabus as above in 2008. They would then take components 3 and 4 in 2009, submitting the Coursework (Paper 4) by 31 October 2009.

The new syllabus booklet, specimen papers and mark schemes, are now available.

HOME MANAGEMENT

O Level Home
Management,
Syllabus 6075

from 2008

This syllabus will not be available. The last examination was in November 2007.

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LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH

IGCSE First Language Arabic, Syllabus 0508	from 2008 This syllabus has been completely revised for first examination in June 2008. Please see syllabus for details. Specimen papers are available on the CIE website.
IGCSE First Language Chinese, Syllabus 0509	from 2010 This syllabus has been revised for first examination in June 2010. Please see syllabus for details. Specimen papers will be available on the CIE website from October 2008.
IGCSE Japanese, Syllabus 0519	from 2007 All candidates will be required to attempt two role plays for Paper 3 Speaking. Please see syllabus for details. from 2008 There is a new Defined Content Booklet which replaces the Defined Content previously provided in the syllabus. The new booklet is available on the CIE website.
IGCSE German, Syllabus 0525	from 2008 This syllabus will be available in the June session only from 2008. The last November examination was in November 2007.
IGCSE Spanish Syllabus 0530	from 2008 This syllabus will be available in the November session as well as in the June session.
IGCSE isiZulu as a Second Language, Syllabus 0531	from 2008 IGCSE isiZulu will be examined for the first time in 2008. This syllabus will be available in November only. Specimen papers are available on the CIE website.
IGCSE Italian, Syllabus 0535	from 2008 This syllabus will not be available in and after 2008. The last examination was in June 2007.
IGCSE Mandarin Chinese, Syllabus 0547	from 2010 This syllabus has been revised for first examination in June 2010. A Listening component has been added to the scheme of assessment. Please see syllabus for details. A Listening specimen paper and CD will be available from CIE from October 2008. A new Defined Content Booklet will replace the current version. The new booklet will be available on the CIE Teacher Support Website from October 2008.
HIGCSE First Language Afrikaans, Syllabus 1223	from 2008 Component 03, School-based Assessment (Writing, Speaking and Listening on Literary Topics) will no longer be available. Candidates will offer Component 04, Literature, instead.

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HIGCSE Afrikaans as a Second Language, Syllabus 1229	from 2008 Component 03, School-based Assessment (Writing, Speaking and Listening on Literary Topics) will no longer be available. Candidates will offer Component 04, Literature, instead.
O Level French, Syllabus 3015	from 2008 This syllabus will be available in the June session only from 2008.
O Level Swahili, Syllabus 3162	from 2009 The syllabus has been revised. One of the translations from Swahili into English will be replaced by a comprehension exercise based on a reading text.
O Level Urdu, Syllabus 3196 Gujarati, Syllabus 3199 Punjabi, Syllabus 3203 Burmese, Syllabus 3249 Thai, Syllabus 3260	from 2008 These syllabuses will not be available after November 2007, except to candidates in Singapore.
O Level Bengali, Syllabus 3204	from 2008 The final November session of this syllabus, except for candidates in Singapore, was in November 2007. In November 2008 and thereafter the November session of this syllabus will only be available to candidates in Singapore. The June session is available to all candidates.
O Level Urdu First Language, Syllabus 3247	from 2009 There is a new list of prescribed texts for Paper 2. Please see syllabus for details. Specimen papers will be available on the CIE website. This syllabus will be available worldwide from June 2009.
O Level Urdu Second Language, Syllabus 3248	from 2008 This syllabus will be available worldwide from November 2008.

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<p>AS Level Japanese, Syllabus 8281</p>	<p>from 2008</p> <p>The Examination Rubrics and Defined Content sections will be removed from the syllabus and replaced by an 'Additional Language-Specific Guidance' booklet. This is available on the CIE website as a separate booklet for the 2008 examination and will be incorporated into the syllabus for the 2009 examination onwards.</p> <p>Advance information regarding the Set Topics for Component 3 (Essay) will be published for the 2008 examination onwards. This is available on the CIE website for the 2008 examination and will be incorporated into the syllabus for the 2009 examination onwards.</p> <p>from 2010</p> <p>Component 2, Reading and Writing</p> <p>The length of the two reading passages taken together is being increased from 1100 characters to 1500 characters.</p> <p>The number of characters candidates are required to write in the last question is being increased from 150 characters to 280 characters.</p> <p>For the 2008 and 2009 examinations, candidates will not be penalised if they write more than the stipulated 150 characters.</p>
<p>AS Level French Literature and A Level French, Syllabuses 8670, 9094 and 9716</p>	<p>from 2009</p> <p>The stories to be studied in Maupassant, "<i>Boule de Suif et autres contes de guerre</i>" are as follows:</p> <p>Boule de Suif</p> <p>Mademoiselle Fifi</p> <p>Deux Amis</p> <p>Le Père Milon</p> <p>St Antoine</p> <p>La Mère Sauvage</p> <p>Le Lit 29</p> <p>NB This clarification is given because of the variety of available published editions containing different stories.</p>
<p>A Level Afrikaans, Syllabus 9679</p>	<p>from 2010</p> <p>In addition to the existing 8679 AS Afrikaans Language syllabus, there will be a new A Level syllabus in Afrikaans available in the November session only. Please see syllabus for details. Specimen papers will be available on the CIE website from October 2008.</p>
<p>AS Level First Language Afrikaans 8779</p>	<p>from 2010</p> <p>In addition to the existing 8679 AS Afrikaans Language syllabus, there will be a new AS First Language syllabus in Afrikaans available in the November session only. Please see syllabus for details. Specimen papers will be available on the CIE website from October 2008.</p>

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MATHEMATICS

IGCSE Mathematics Syllabuses 0580 and 0581	from 2009 Paper 4 (Extended) will require candidates to answer the questions on the question paper , and not on separate answer paper. The content of the syllabus relating to this paper is unchanged.
O level Statistics, Syllabus 4040	from 2009 Candidates will be required to answer on the question paper from November 2009 onwards. Specimen papers will be available on the CIE website and the Teacher Support site.

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MUSIC

IGCSE Music, Syllabus 0410	from 2009 Component 4 has been revised to require 2 compositions instead of 3.
AS Level and A Level Music, Syllabuses 9703, 8663	from 2009 A new AS Level and A Level Music syllabus (syllabus code 9703) was examined for the first time in June 2006. In 2009, the AS qualification (9703 Papers 1 and 2) will also be available in the November examination. All components are therefore available in June and November.
AS Level Music, Syllabus 8663	from 2009 This syllabus will be available in the June and November examinations.

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION

IGCSE Physical
Education, Syllabus
0413

This subject falls into Group V (Creative, Technical and Vocational) of the International Certificate of Education (ICE), together with Accounting, Art and Design, Business Studies, Child Development, Computer Studies, Design and Technology, Drama, Food and Nutrition, Information Technology, Music and Travel and Tourism.

November 2008

The syllabus will be available for certification in November 2008 using a carry forward option. This will allow Centres to carry forward the June written paper mark and submit coursework for the November session.

from 2009

The IGCSE Physical Education (0413) syllabus for examination in 2009 has been revised. The syllabus content has been clarified and updated in some areas to help Centres. The examination timing for Paper 1 will be reduced to 1 hour and 45 minutes and furthermore candidates will be required to undertake only one Analysing and Improving Task in one of their four chosen practical activities. As from 2009, both components (written exam and coursework) will be available in both the June and the November exam sessions.

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AS/A Level
Physical Education,
Syllabus 9396

from 2010

The current AS Physical Education syllabus (8666) will be examined for the last time in the November 2009 exam session. A new AS/A Level Physical Education (9396) syllabus has been developed for first examination in November 2010.

Advanced Subsidiary GCE candidates take papers 1 and 2.

Advanced GCE candidates take papers 1, 2, 3 and 4

The new scheme of assessment will be as follows:

		duration	weighting (% of A Level)
1	Written paper (AS)	2 hr 30 min	35%
2	Coursework (AS)	NA	15%
3	Written paper (A2)	2 hr 30 min	35%
4	Coursework (A2)	NA	15%

The new AS/A Level PE syllabus provides full details of the teaching content as well as the scheme of assessment. There is also a new AS/A Level PE Coursework Guidance Booklet to accompany the syllabus and which provides the assessment criteria for all aspects of the coursework at both AS and A level. The range of practical activities that can be used for assessment has been expanded.

It will not be possible to carry forward AS marks from the current AS (8666) syllabus onto the new AS/A Level (9396) syllabus because of the changes in the format and structure of the assessments on the new syllabus.

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RELIGIOUS SUBJECTS

<p>O Level Islamiyat, Syllabus 2058</p>	<p>from 2009</p> <p>As previously announced, this syllabus will be revised with effect from the June 2009 examination. Some new passages from the Qur'an and Hadith have been chosen for special study. Apart from these and a few other minor amendments, there are very few substantial changes to the content of the syllabus. The most noticeable changes occur in the way the material has been rearranged and in the way in which the syllabus is assessed. Candidates will need to answer 4 questions for each paper.</p> <p>For further details, see the 2009 syllabus. Specimen question papers and mark schemes are also available.</p> <p>N.B. The duration of each paper will be one hour 30 minutes, <u>not</u> one hour 15 minutes as previously announced.</p>
<p>O level Hinduism, Syllabus 2055</p>	<p>This syllabus is due for review with a view to possible revision of content and exam structure. CIE will carry out a full teacher consultation but, equally, would welcome feedback from individual teachers. Please send all suggestions to international@cie.org.uk.</p>

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SCIENCE SUBJECTS

BIOLOGY	
All Biology, Syllabuses 0610, 5090, 5096, 9700	from 2009 In accordance with the proposals of The Association for Science Education (<i>Signs Symbols and Systematics, Companion to 16-19 Science</i>), sulfur (and all compounds of sulfur) will be spelled with f and not ph in all Biology syllabuses and question papers. Candidates will be credited for either spelling in their answers.
O Level Biology, Syllabus 5090	from June 2009 Candidates will answer all of paper 2 on the Question Paper. Both section A and section B will consist of questions with spaces provided for candidates to write their answers. Section B will continue to consist of 3 questions with the last question in an either/or form.
O Level Human & Social Biology, Syllabus 5096	from June 2009 Candidates will answer all of paper 2 on the Question Paper. Both section A and section B will consist of questions with spaces provided for candidates to write their answers. Section B will continue to consist of 3 questions with the last question in an either/or form.

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CHEMISTRY

**All Chemistry
Syllabuses** 0620,
5070, 9701

from 2009

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O Level Chemistry,
Syllabus 5070

from 2009

Candidates will answer all of Paper 2 on the Question Paper. Both Sections A and B will consist of structured questions with spaces for candidates to write their answers. Section B will continue to consist of four questions of which candidates will be required to answer three.

**AS Level and A
Level Chemistry,**
Syllabus 9701

from 2009

Data Booklet

The Chemistry *Data Booklet* has been revised for 2009 and is printed in the 2009 syllabus. The new *Data Booklet* will be used for the first time in the June 2009 session and Centres will be supplied with a copy for every candidate entered. For examinations in 2008 Centres should use the existing *Data Booklet* as printed in the 2008 syllabus.

Requirements for practical teaching and examinations

An extensive list of apparatus and chemicals is printed in the 2009 syllabus. This is intended both as a guide to requirements for the practical work necessary to support the syllabus and to specify the minimum requirements for examination purposes.

from 2010

Change to Confidential Instructions for practical examinations

The information for preparing standard bench reagents is given in the syllabus. This will not be given separately in the Confidential Instructions. Supervisors will be referred to the syllabus for the details of preparation of these reagents.

Resource list

The resource list has been updated in the 2010 syllabus to include suggested resources for practical work and for the Applications of Chemistry section of the syllabus.

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PHYSICS	
O level Physics, Syllabus 5054	<p>from 2008</p> <p>The Practical Test, Paper 3, will be answered on the Question Paper, not in a separate Answer Booklet.</p> <p>from 2010</p> <p>Candidates will answer all of Paper 2 on the Question Paper. Both Sections A and B will consist of structured questions with spaces for candidates to write their answers. Section B will continue to consist of three questions, from which candidates will be required to answer two.</p>
SCIENCE	
Science, Syllabuses 0652, 0653, 0654, 5124, 5125, 5126, 5129, 5130	<p>from 2009</p> <p>In accordance with the proposals of The Association for Science Education (<i>Signs Symbols and Systematics, Companion to 16-19 Science</i>), sulfur (and all compounds of sulfur) will be spelled with f and not ph in all these syllabuses and question papers. Candidates will be credited for either spelling in their answers.</p>
Checkpoint Science, Syllabus 1113	<p>from 2009</p> <p>In accordance with the proposals of The Association for Science Education (<i>Signs Symbols and Systematics, Companion to 16-19 Science</i>), sulfur (and all compounds of sulfur) will be spelled with f and not ph in all these syllabuses and question papers. Candidates will be credited for either spelling in their answers.</p>

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SOCIAL SCIENCE

PSYCHOLOGY

**AS Level and A
Level Psychology,**
Syllabus 9698

from 2008

There are minor changes to the syllabus content with effect from the June 2008 examination.

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THINKING SKILLS

AS Level and A Level Thinking Skills, Syllabus 9694	from 2009 There will be changes to the number of questions on papers 1, 2 and 3. Refer to the Scheme of Assessment in the 2009 syllabus for details.
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