

# Clarification on gaining an A\*

## A-level Mathematics and Further Mathematics

Gaining an A\* grade in A-level Mathematics and Further Mathematics is not the same as in the other A-levels offered by AQA.

### Mathematics (6361)

Students must satisfy the following criteria to be awarded an A\*:

- Qualify for an A in the A-level as a whole, ie achieve at least 480 UMS points out of a maximum 600.
- Achieve at least 180 UMS points out of a maximum 200 in MPC3 and MPC4 added together.

Example student results:

AS	A2
MPC1 = 81	<b>MPC3 = 88</b>
MPC2 = 78	<b>MPC4 = 95</b>
MS1B = 82	MM1B = 83

Total = 507 UMS which qualifies for an A grade.

Total of MPC3 + MPC4 = 183 UMS which satisfies the second criterion to be awarded an A\*.

### Further Mathematics (6371)

Students must satisfy the following criteria to be awarded an A\*:

- Qualify for an A in the A-level as a whole, ie achieve at least 480 UMS points out of a maximum 600.
- Achieve at least 270 UMS points out of a maximum 300 in their three best A2 units added together.

Example student results:

AS	A2
MFP1 = 75	<b>MFP2 = 91</b>
MD01 = 78	<b>MFP4 = 95</b>
	<b>MM2B = 85</b>
	MFP3 = 73

Total = 497 UMS which qualifies for an A grade.

Total of **best** three A2 units, MFP2, MFP4 and MM2B = 271 UMS which satisfies the second criterion to be awarded an A\*.

Note that MFP3 is also an A2 unit, but MFP2, MFP4 and MM2B have higher marks in this case.

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