

IB Diploma Programme and IB Career-related Programme

November 2024 examination schedule

FINAL VERSION

All exam zones (A, B, C)

An examination cannot be rescheduled without authorization from the Assessment Division, IB Global Centre, Cardiff

Legend of Subject Groups:

| | | | |
|--|---|--|-------------|
| | Interdisciplinary subjects | | Sciences |
| | Studies in language and literature and Language acquisition | | Mathematics |
| | Individuals and societies | | The arts |

Please note that for Studies in language and literature and Language acquisition, English and Spanish are scheduled individually from all other languages.

Examination Schedule

| Friday 18 October | | | |
|-------------------|--|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
| --- No Exams --- | | SBS | School-based syllabus SL paper 1 |

Week 1

| Monday 21 October | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|-------------------|---|
| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
| School-based syllabus SL paper 2 | | SBS | Business management HL/SL paper 1 Business management HL paper 3 |
| | | | 1h 30m 1h 15m |
| | | | Global politics HL/SL paper 1 |
| | | | 1h 15m |
| | | | Philosophy HL paper 1 Philosophy SL paper 1 |
| | | | 2h 30m 1h 45m |

Tuesday 22 October

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------------------|--------|
| Business management HL paper 2 | 1h 45m | Biology HL paper 1 | 1h |
| Business management SL paper 2 | 1h 30m | Biology HL paper 3 | 1h 15m |
| Global politics HL paper 2 | 2h 45m | Biology SL paper 1 | 45m |
| Global politics SL paper 2 | 1h 45m | Biology SL paper 3 | 1h |
| Philosophy HL/SL paper 2 | 1h | | |
| Philosophy HL paper 3 | 1h 15m | | |

Wednesday 23 October

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|--------------------|--------|---|--------|
| Biology HL paper 2 | 2h 15m | Language A Literature HL paper 1 | 2h 15m |
| Biology SL paper 2 | 1h 15m | Language A Literature SL paper 1 | 1h 15m |
| | | Language A Language & Literature HL paper 1 | 2h 15m |
| | | Language A Language & Literature SL paper 1 | 1h 15m |
| | | * Except: English & Spanish | |

Thursday 24 October

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|--|--------|--|--------|
| Language A Literature HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 45m | Mathematics: analysis and approaches HL paper 1 | 2h |
| Language A Language & Literature HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 45m | analysis and approaches SL paper 1 | 1h 30m |
| * Except: English & Spanish | | Mathematics: applications and interpretation HL paper 1 | 2h |
| | | applications and interpretation SL paper 1 | 1h 30m |

Friday 25 October

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|--|--------|--|--------|
| Mathematics: analysis and approaches HL paper 2 | 2h | Spanish A Literature HL paper 1 | 2h 15m |
| analysis and approaches SL paper 2 | 1h 30m | Spanish A Literature SL paper 1 | 1h 15m |
| Mathematics: applications and interpretation HL paper 2 | 2h | Spanish A Language & Literature HL paper 1 | 2h 15m |
| applications and interpretation SL paper 2 | 1h 30m | Spanish A Language & Literature SL paper 1 | 1h 15m |
| | | Spanish B HL paper 2 | |
| | | - Listening comprehension | 1h |
| | | Spanish B SL paper 2 | |
| | | - Listening comprehension | 45m |
| | | Spanish ab initio SL paper 2 | |
| | | - Listening comprehension | 45m |

Week 2

| Monday 28 October | | | |
|---|--------|-------------------|--|
| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
| Spanish A Literature HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 45m | | Computer science HL paper 1 |
| Spanish A Language & Literature HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 45m | | Computer science SL paper 1 |
| Spanish B HL paper 1 | 1h 30m | | Environmental systems & societies SL paper 1 |
| Spanish B HL paper 2 | | | |
| - Reading comprehension | 1h | | |
| Spanish B SL paper 1 | 1h 15m | | |
| Spanish B SL paper 2 | | | |
| - Reading comprehension | 1h | | |
| Spanish ab initio SL paper 1 | 1h | | |
| Spanish ab initio SL paper 2 | | | |
| - Reading comprehension | 1h | | |

| Tuesday 29 October | | | |
|--|--------|-------------------|--|
| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
| Computer science HL paper 2 | 1h 20m | | Language B HL paper 1 |
| Computer science HL paper 3 | 1h | | Language B HL paper 2 |
| Computer science SL paper 2 | 1h | | - Reading comprehension |
| | | | Language B SL paper 1 |
| | | | Language B SL paper 2 |
| | | | - Reading comprehension |
| | | | Language ab initio SL paper 1 |
| | | | Language ab initio SL paper 2 |
| | | | - Reading comprehension |
| | | | * Except: English & Spanish |
| | | Latin HL paper 1 | |
| | | Latin SL paper 1 | |
| | | | Mathematics: analysis and approaches HL paper 3 |
| | | | Mathematics: applications and interpretation HL paper 3 |
| Environmental systems & societies SL paper 2 | 2h | | |

| Wednesday 30 October | | | |
|--|--------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
| Language B HL paper 2 | | | History HL/SL paper 1 |
| - Listening comprehension | 1h | | History HL/SL paper 2 |
| Language B SL paper 2 | | | |
| - Listening comprehension | 45m | | |
| Language ab initio SL paper 2 | | | |
| - Listening comprehension | 45m | | |
| * Except: English & Spanish | | | |
| Latin HL paper 2 | 1h 30m | | |
| Latin SL paper 2 | 1h 30m | | |

| Thursday 31 October | | | |
|---------------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
| --- No Exams --- | | | --- No Exams --- |

Friday 1 November

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|------------------|--|-------------------|--|
| --- No Exams --- | | --- No Exams --- | |

Week 3

Monday 4 November

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|--------------------|--------|---|---------------------------|
| History HL paper 3 | 2h 30m | Chemistry HL paper 1 Chemistry HL paper 3 Chemistry SL paper 1 Chemistry SL paper 3 | 1h 1h 15m 45m 1h |
| | | Design technology HL paper 1 Design technology SL paper 1 Design technology HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 45m 1h 30m |

Tuesday 5 November

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|--|------------------|---|--|
| Chemistry HL paper 2 Chemistry SL paper 2 | 2h 15m 1h 15m | English A Literature HL paper 1 English A Literature SL paper 1 English A Language & Literature HL paper 1 English A Language & Literature SL paper 1 | 2h 15m 1h 15m 2h 15m 1h 15m |
| Design technology HL paper 3 | 1h 30m | English B HL paper 1 English B HL paper 2 - Reading comprehension English B SL paper 1 English B SL paper 2 - Reading comprehension English ab initio SL paper 1 English ab initio SL paper 2 - Reading comprehension | 1h 30m 1h 1h 15m 1h 1h 1h |

Wednesday 6 November

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|---|------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| English A Literature HL/SL paper 2 English A Language & Literature HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 45m 1h 45m | Digital Society HL paper 1 Digital Society SL paper 1 | 2h 15m 1h 30m |
| English B HL paper 2 - Listening comprehension English B SL paper 2 - Listening comprehension English ab initio SL paper 2 - Listening comprehension | 1h 45m 45m | Geography HL paper 1 Geography SL paper 1 Psychology HL paper 1 Psychology SL paper 1 | 2h 15m 1h 30m 2h 2h |
| Literature & performance SL paper 1 | 1h 45m | Social & cultural anthropology HL paper 1 Social & cultural anthropology SL paper 1 | 2h 1h 30m |

Thursday 7 November

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|---|--------|--|--------|
| Digital Society HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 15m | Physics HL paper 1 | 1h |
| Digital Society HL paper 3 | 1h 15m | Physics HL paper 3 | 1h 15m |
| Geography HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 15m | Physics SL paper 1 | 45m |
| Geography HL paper 3 | 1h | Physics SL paper 3 | 1h |
| Psychology HL paper 2 | 2h | Sports, exercise & health science HL paper 1 | 1h |
| Psychology HL paper 3 | 1h | Sports, exercise & health science HL paper 3 | 1h 15m |
| Psychology SL paper 2 | 1h | Sports, exercise & health science SL paper 1 | 45m |
| Social & cultural anthropology HL paper 2 | 2h 30m | Sports, exercise & health science SL paper 3 | 1h |
| Social & cultural anthropology SL paper 2 | 1h 30m | | |

Friday 8 November

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|--|--------|-------------------------|--------|
| Physics HL paper 2 | 2h 15m | Economics HL/SL paper 2 | 1h 45m |
| Physics SL paper 2 | 1h 15m | | |
| Sports, exercise & health science HL paper 2 | 2h 15m | | |
| Sports, exercise & health science SL paper 2 | 1h 15m | | |

Week 4

Monday 11 November

| Morning session | | Afternoon session | |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------|--|
| Economics HL paper 1 | 1h 15m | --- No Exams --- | |
| Economics HL paper 3 | 1h 45m | | |
| Economics SL paper 1 | 1h 15m | | |

Local start times for the November 2024 examination session

- Schools must ensure that they are aware of their allocated exam zone, which does not change between examination sessions.
- The local start times for all zones are detailed in the table below. There is no variance in start times within morning or afternoon sessions.
- The local start times indicated are based on the local time and do not need to be adjusted for daylight saving.

| Exam zone | | Morning session start time | Afternoon session start time |
|-----------|-----|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| A | 12 | 10.00 | 14.00 |
| A | 11 | 10.00 | 14.00 |
| A | 10 | 10.00 | 14.00 |
| A | 9 | 10.00 | 14.00 |
| A | 8 | 09.30 | 13.30 |
| A | 7 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| A | 6 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| A | 5 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| A | 4 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| A | 3 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| | | | |
| B | 3 | 10.00 | 14.00 |
| B | 2 | 09.30 | 13.30 |
| B | 1 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| B | 0 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| | | | |
| C | -3 | 10.00 | 14.00 |
| C | -4 | 09.30 | 13.30 |
| C | -5 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| C | -6 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| C | -7 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| C | -8 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| C | -9 | 09.00 | 13.00 |
| C | -10 | 09.00 | 13.00 |

Principles used in creating the IB Examination Schedule:

- It is not possible to take into account public, national or school holidays because of the number of countries in which the IB Diploma Programme is offered.
- Registration data has been used to ensure that the minimum number of students globally are impacted by subject timetable clashes.
- Where there are subjects with particular regional or cultural links the IB will endeavour to take these into account, for example Arabic literature/language examinations will not be scheduled on a Friday.
- Almost all subjects are scheduled on consecutive days. This is to minimise the impact of absence on any given day, whilst maintaining continuity for students.
- Subjects with the highest candidature are not scheduled consecutively and are spread as evenly as possible over 4 weeks to try and distribute the workload for students. Language examinations and science examinations are scheduled on each of the 4 weeks for the same reason.
- The examination schedule is as short as possible to maintain an acceptable balance between the number of conflicts in the schedule.

Rescheduling Policy

- Rescheduling of an exam for a student requires approval from IB.
- The criteria and the process for applying for a reschedule can be found in the Diploma Programme/Career-related Programme *Assessment procedures*.

2025 Examination Schedule

- The exam schedule in 2025 will start on Friday 24 October 2025, and end on Friday 14 November 2025, subject to confirmation in 2024.