

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

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	
SBS	School-based syllabus SL paper 2		Business management HL/SL paper 1	1h 30m
			Business management HL paper 3	1h 15m
			Global politics HL/SL paper 1	1h 15m
			Philosophy HL paper 1	2h 30m
			Philosophy SL paper 1	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	2h 10m
Spanish A Language & Literature HL/SL paper 2	1h 45m	Computer science SL paper 1	1h 30m
Spanish B HL paper 1	1h 30m		
Spanish B HL paper 2			
- Reading comprehension	1h		
Spanish B SL paper 1	1h 15m	Environmental systems & societies SL paper 1	1h
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	1h 30m
Computer science HL paper 3	1h	Language B HL paper 2	
Computer science SL paper 2	1h	- Reading comprehension	1h
		Language B SL paper 1	1h 15m
		Language B SL paper 2	
		- Reading comprehension	1h
		Language ab initio SL paper 1	1h
		Language ab initio SL paper 2	
		- Reading comprehension	1h
		* Except: English & Spanish	
		Latin HL paper 1	2h
		Latin SL paper 1	1h 30m
Environmental systems & societies SL paper 2	2h	Mathematics: analysis and approaches HL paper 3	1h
		Mathematics: applications and interpretation HL paper 3	1h

Wednesday 30 October			
Morning session		Afternoon session	
Language B HL paper 2		History HL/SL paper 1	1h
- Listening comprehension	1h	History HL/SL paper 2	1h 30m
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	09.30	13.30
A	9	09.00	13.00
A	8	09.00	13.00
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	10.00	14.00
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.