

Assessment Grading

(Edexcel Programmes)

Each successfully completed unit will be graded as a pass, merit or distinction.

- A pass is awarded for the achievement of all outcomes against the specified assessment criteria
- Merit and distinction grades are awarded for higher-level achievement

The generic merit and distinction grade descriptors are for grading the total evidence produced for each unit and describe the student's performance over and above that for a pass grade. They can be achieved in a flexible way, for example in a sequential or holistic mode, to reflect the nature of the sector concerned.

In order to achieve a **pass** in a unit:

- all learning outcomes and associated assessment criteria have been met

In order to achieve a **merit** in a unit:

- all learning outcomes and associated assessment criteria have been met
- all merit grade descriptors are achieved

In order to achieve a **distinction** in a unit:

- all learning outcomes and associated assessment criteria have been met
- all merit and all distinction grade descriptors are achieved