

# Understanding IB Data-How do students earn a score

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# Understanding data is a tool for greater performance outcomes

Turn to someone near you and discuss:

- How do you use data from IB to inform instructional practices?
- How much (if at all) do you use component data?

What we hope you take away from our presentation

Through greater **understanding** and **use** of IB Assessment Criteria, schools can devise **assessment and grading models** that will lead to **greater student enrollment AND greater student performance**

# Our Assumptions:

1. The more students who can access the IB Curriculum the better

“A Rigorous High School Curriculum is the single greatest resource that a student brings to higher education and correlates the most with Bachelor’s degree attainment.”

Clifford Adelman, Senior Research Analyst  
US Department of Education

***Answers in a Toolbox, Paths to Degree Completion from High School Through College***

# Our Assumptions:

1. The more students who can access the IB Curriculum the better
2. There is no correlation between increased student participation and scores.
3. In order for students and teachers to feel they can tackle the rigor of an IB course, teachers (and coordinators) must understand how the different components interact to produce an IB score of 1-7
4. Teachers must then use this increased understanding component data to create an assessment model that will be predictive of an IB score.

# Data to use on IBIS

1. Grade Boundaries (with scaling factors)
2. Candidate Component Grade Report
3. Subject Component Grade Report
4. IB Insight Data on MyIB

Our Example – IB History HL

HOW?

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## First assessment 2020

Assessment component	Weighting
<b>External assessment (5 hours)</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>Paper 1 (1 hour)</b> Source-based paper based on the five prescribed subjects. Choose <b>one</b> prescribed subject from a choice of five. Answer four structured questions. (24 marks)	<b>20%</b>
<b>Paper 2 (1 hour 30 minutes)</b> Essay paper based on the 12 world history topics. Answer two essay questions on two different topics. (30 marks)	<b>25%</b>
<b>Paper 3 (2 hours 30 minutes)</b> Separate papers for each of the four regional options. For the selected region, answer three essay questions. (45 marks)	<b>35%</b>
<b>Internal assessment (20 hours)</b> This component is internally assessed by the teacher and externally moderated by the IB at the end of the course.	<b>20%</b>
<b>Historical investigation</b> Students are required to complete a historical investigation into a topic of their choice. (25 marks)	

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT			PAPER ONE			PAPER THREE			PAPER TWO			FINAL SUBJECT %		
Grade	From	To	Grade	From	To	Grade	From	To	Grade	From	To	Grade	From	To
1	0	2	1	0	3	1	0	5	1	0	3	1	0	10
2	3	5	2	4	6	2	6	11	2	4	7	2	11	23
3	6	8	3	7	9	3	12	16	3	8	10	3	24	35
4	9	12	4	10	12	4	17	21	4	11	14	4	36	48
5	13	15	5	13	15	5	22	25	5	15	18	5	49	59
6	16	19	6	16	18	6	26	30	6	19	22	6	60	72
7	20	25	7	19	24	7	31	45	7	23	30	7	73	100
Scaling factor = multiply by .8			Scaling factor = multiply by .833334			Scaling factor = multiply by .777778			Scaling factor = multiply by .833334					

First examinations 2010

Assessment component	Weighting
<b>External assessment (5 hours)</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>Paper 1 (1 hour)</b> Route 1: Two prescribed subjects, Route 2: Three prescribed subjects Four short-answer/structured questions Assessment objectives: 1–3 (25 marks)	<b>20%</b>
<b>Paper 2 (1 hour 30 minutes)</b> Routes 1 and 2: Five topics Two extended-response questions Assessment objectives: 1–4 (40 marks)	<b>25%</b>
<b>Paper 3 (2 hours 30 minutes)</b> Three extended-response questions Assessment objectives 1–4 (60 marks)	<b>35%</b>
<b>Internal assessment</b> Historical investigation on any area of the syllabus Approximately 20 hours Assessment objectives 1–4 (25 marks)	<b>20%</b>

Grade boundaries

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Subject: HIST - AMERICAS - ARAB-ISRAELI Level: HL

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2	4	7	2	3	4	2	6	11	2	5	9	2	10	21
3	8	9	3	5	7	3	12	16	3	10	11	3	22	20
4	10	12	4	8	10	4	17	22	4	12	15	4	30	40
5	13	15	5	11	14	5	23	29	5	16	20	5	41	53
6	16	18	6	15	17	6	30	35	6	21	24	6	54	63
7	19	25	7	18	25	7	36	60	7	25	40	7	64	100
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## Old History Model (Pre 2017)

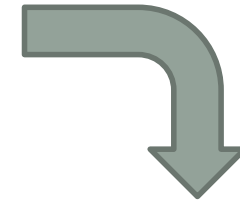
	<b>Paper 1</b>	<b>Internal Assessment</b>	<b>Paper 3</b>	<b>Paper 2</b>			
<b>Marks</b>	25	25	60	40	The Scale Factor indicates the value of a Mark - The Higher the Factor the more valueable the Mark		
<b>Mutiplied by</b>	X	X	X	X			
<b>Scaling Factor</b>	0.8	0.8	0.58333	0.625			
<b>Equals the Scaled Score</b>	20	20	35	25	Sum of the Scaled Scores	100	Is Converted to an out 7 Score

## Current History Model

	<b>Paper</b>	<b>Paper</b>	<b>Paper</b>	<b>IA</b>	
<b>Marks</b>	24	30	45	25	
<b>Multitpled by</b>	x	x	x	x	
<b>Scaling Factor</b>	0.83	0.83	0.77	0.8	
<b>Equals the Squaled score</b>	20	25	35	20	Sum of Scaled score converts to 1-7

## IB Assessment Feedback Loop

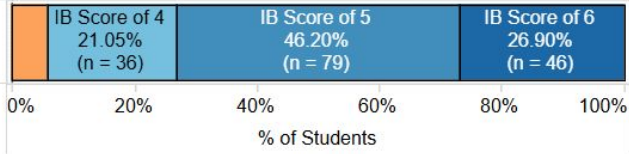
**IB Assessment**  
Criteria and Components:  
How do they fit together



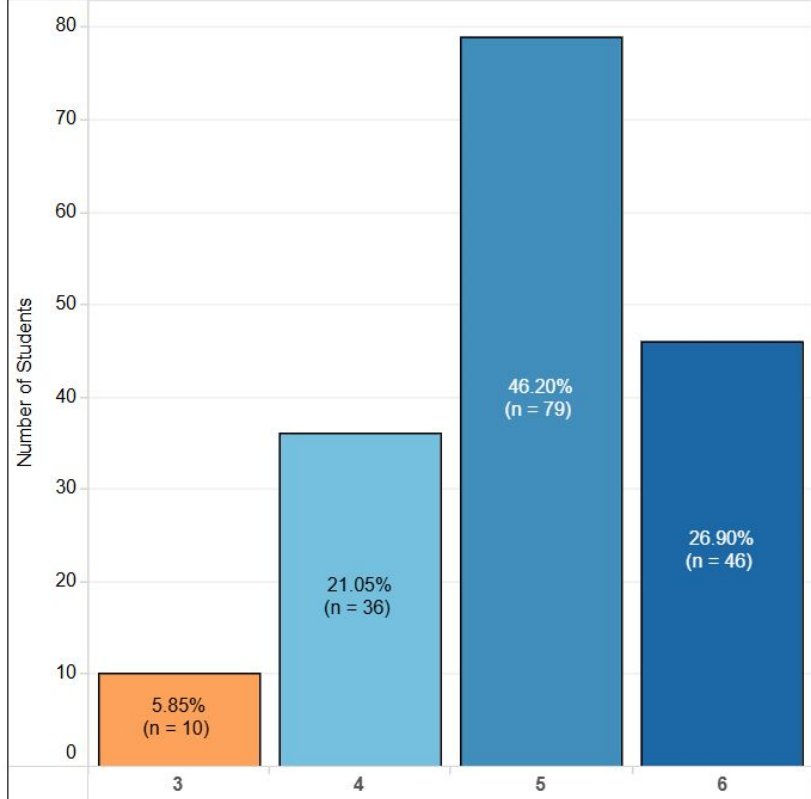
**Individual Student Exam  
Performance**  
How does a student achieve  
a score

### Test Achievement

HISTORY-HL

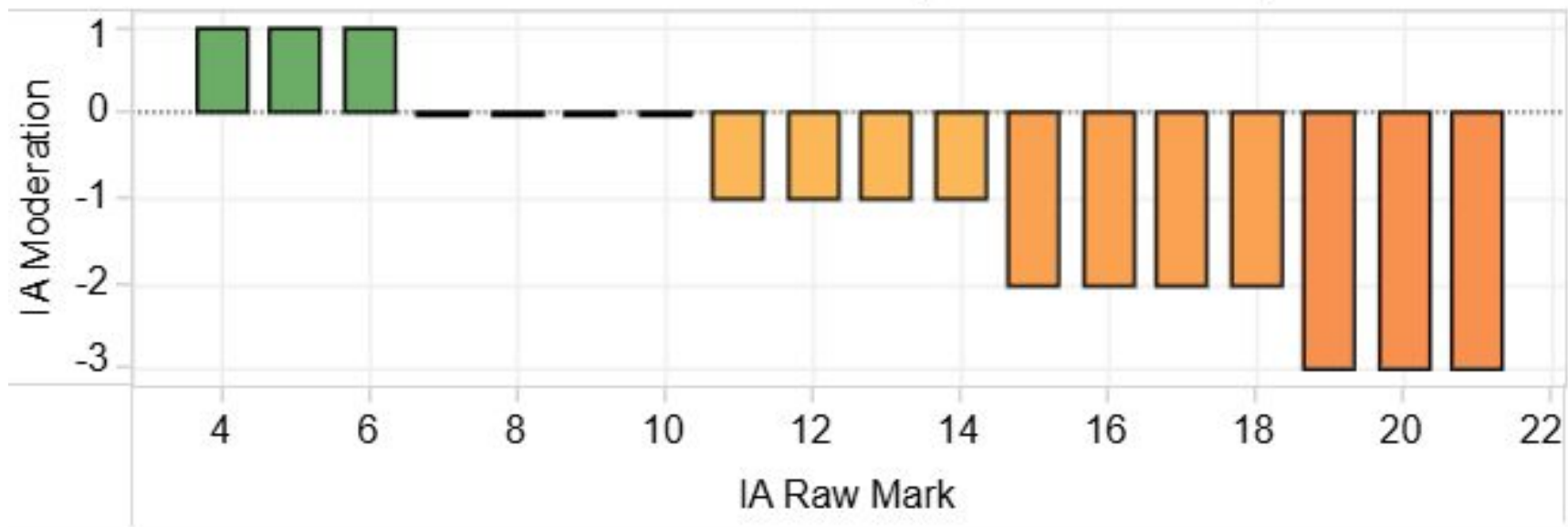


### IB Score Distribution



## HISTORY-HL Internal Assessment Moderation

*Hover over a bar to see the moderation for a raw score by school.*



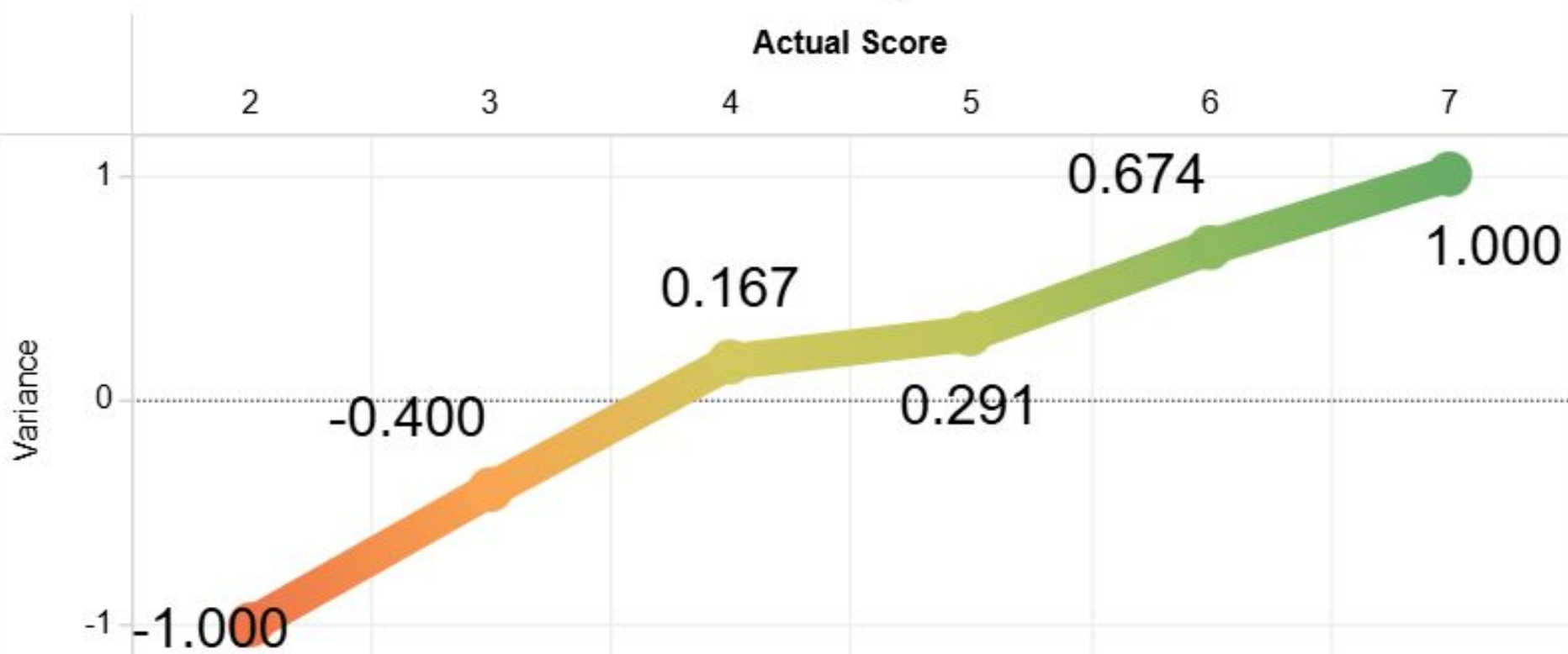


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# Actual Score Variance by IB Score

*Excludes scores of "N"*



# When a remark might be worth it

1. Need to look at total scaled score on Candidate Component and OVERALL grade boundaries.
2. Students should be no more than 2 marks away.
  - a. Possible but unlikely to improve
3. Cost/Benefit analysis