



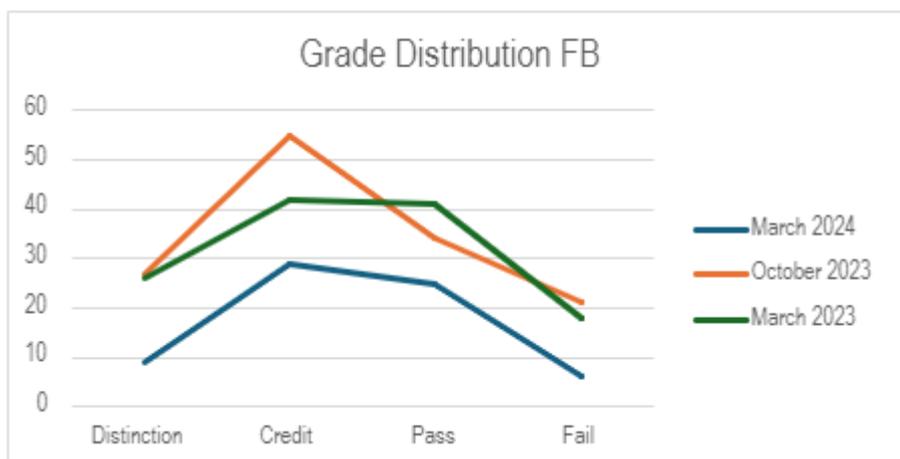
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**Foundation in Distilling
Examination Paper Report**

Foundation in Distilling

- N° questions in the Exam Paper = 50
- Average time candidates spent in exam = 54 minutes
- Overall cohort pass rate = 38.9%
- Cohort performance split by grade boundary:



Units candidates performed particularly well in:

Unit
Unit 01 - An Overview of Distilled Products
Unit 02 - Raw Materials of the Principal Potable Spirits
Unit 04 - Fermentation Technology
Unit 13 - Quality - Sensory Evaluation
Unit 14 - Quality - Plant Hygiene and Cleaning Systems

Units candidates performed particularly poorly in:

Unit
Unit 03 - Fermentation Theory
Unit 06 - Distillation Technology - Batch and Continuous
Unit 07 - Specific Product Details for Different Distilled Spirits
Unit 17 - Distilling and the Environment
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NOTE: Candidates are reminded that the examination is aimed at testing knowledge across the full breadth of the syllabus, not just specific units or topics. In order to ensure a positive result when taking the examination candidates must ensure that they have learnt and revised the full breadth of the syllabus.

General Commentary:

- **Reading and Understanding**

A number of candidates mis-read the question and as such chose the incorrect answer. Candidates lost easy marks by not reading the question carefully. If in doubt, candidates can use the 'flag' function in TestReach to select a question that they wish to come back to and check they have read what the question is asking, or re-check the answer they have chosen.

- **Time Management**

Candidates should plan their time well so they do not rush through the exam and make mistakes in their answer choices. Candidates are reminded that they should go back through their answers once finished, to check they are happy with their choice.