

Cambridge programmes and qualifications

An introduction
for parents



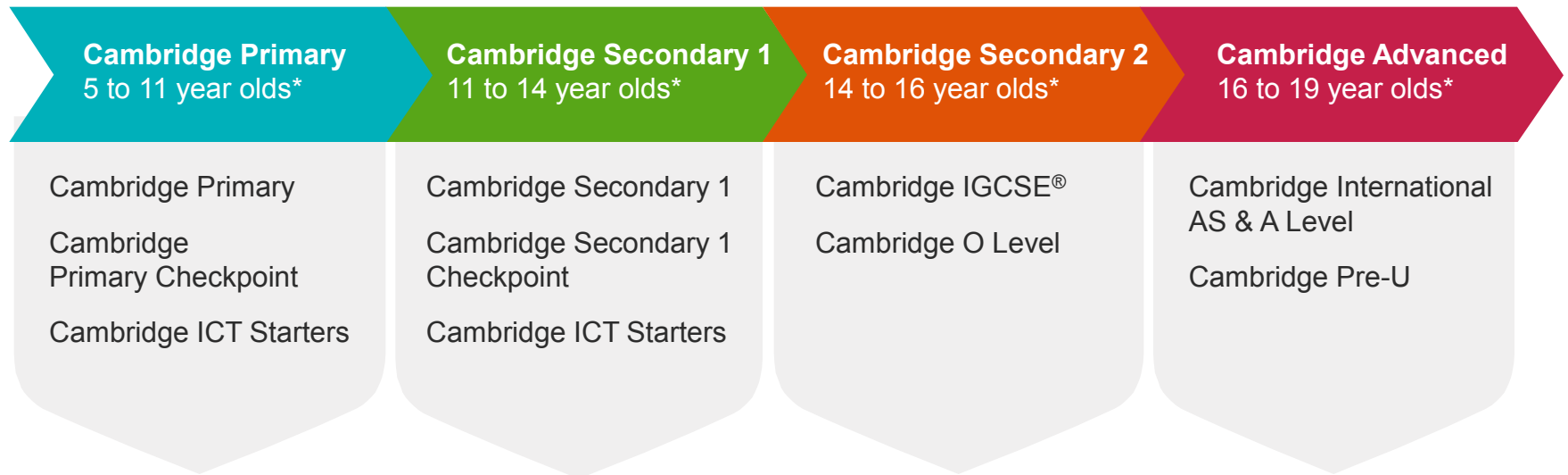
Cambridge International Examinations

- ▶ Prepares school students for life, helping them develop an informed curiosity and a lasting passion for learning
- ▶ Part of Cambridge Assessment, a department of the University of Cambridge
- ▶ Over 10 000 Cambridge schools in more than 160 countries
- ▶ A not-for-profit organisation



Cambridge programmes and qualifications

- ▶ Four stages of education from 5 to 19 years
- ▶ Each stage builds on your child's development
- ▶ Flexible approach



**Age ranges are for guidance only*

Benefits for learners

- ▶ Internationally recognised qualifications
- ▶ Excellence in education
- ▶ Learner-centred approach
- ▶ Progressive and flexible
- ▶ Comprehensive support for learners and teachers



“I can’t recommend the Cambridge programme highly enough. It got me into **Stanford University**.”

Christopher Hanson, former Cambridge learner, USA

Cambridge learners

Cambridge supports schools to develop learners who are:

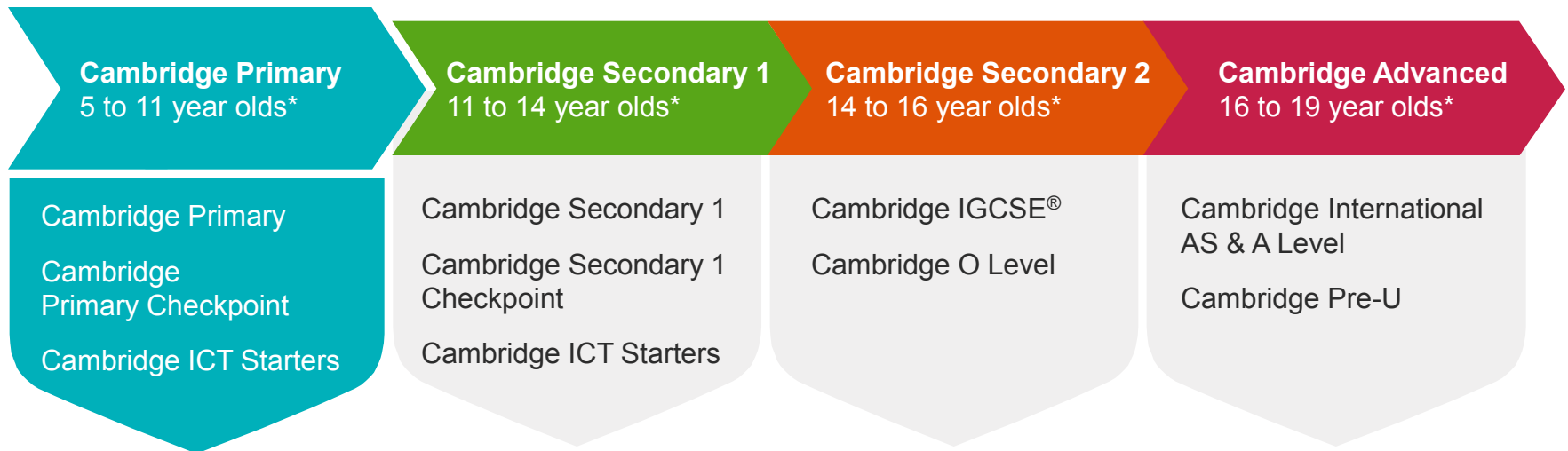
- ▶ **confident** in working with information and ideas – their own and those of others
- ▶ **responsible** for themselves, responsive to and respectful of others
- ▶ **reflective** as learners, developing their ability to learn
- ▶ **innovative** and equipped for new and future challenges
- ▶ **engaged** intellectually and socially, ready to make a difference



“I found that Cambridge developed a mindset – a desire not only to learn the work, but also to understand and interpret problems.”

Warren Little, former Cambridge learner, South Africa, who progressed to the **University of Cape Town**

Cambridge Primary



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Cambridge Primary

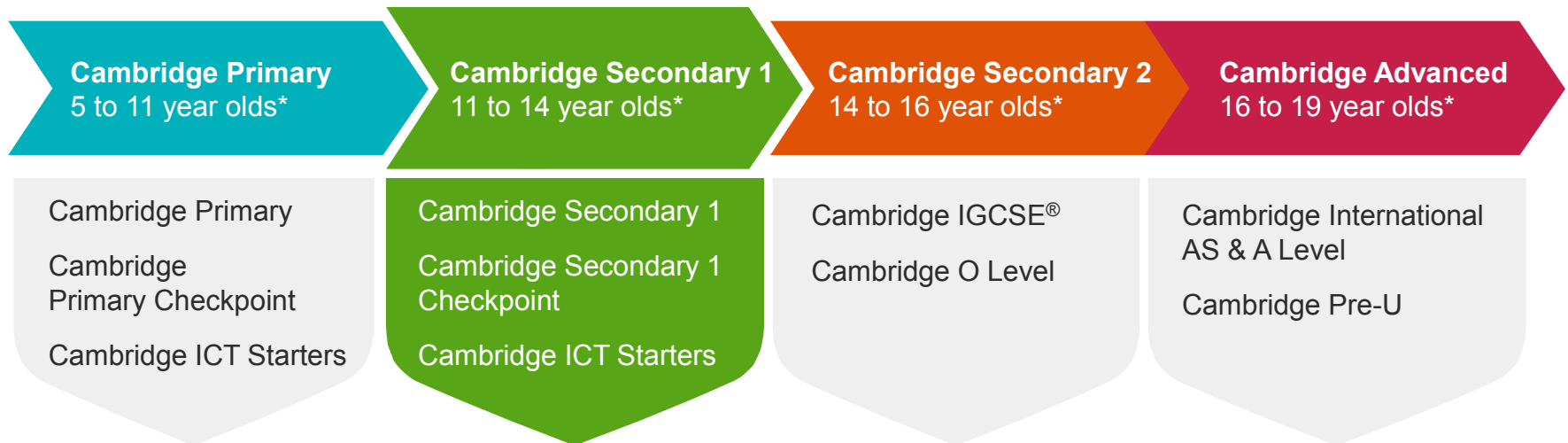
- ▶ Develops knowledge and skills in English, Mathematics and Science
- ▶ Sets clear learning objectives
- ▶ Excellent preparation for secondary education
- ▶ Taught in over 1000 schools in almost 100 countries
- ▶ Cambridge ICT Starters also available



Cambridge Primary – optional assessments

- ▶ Two types of optional assessment
 1. **Cambridge Primary Progression Tests** – assessed by school
 2. **Cambridge Primary Checkpoint** – assessed by Cambridge
- ▶ Help teachers monitor your child's progress
- ▶ Help identify and address strengths and weaknesses
- ▶ Provide international benchmarks
- ▶ Provide detailed reporting of your child's performance

Cambridge Secondary 1



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Cambridge Secondary 1

- ▶ Develops knowledge and skills in English, English as a Second Language, Mathematics and Science
- ▶ Sets clear learning objectives
- ▶ Provides excellent preparation for the next stage of education
- ▶ Taught in nearly 2300 schools in more than 200 countries
- ▶ Cambridge ICT Starters also available

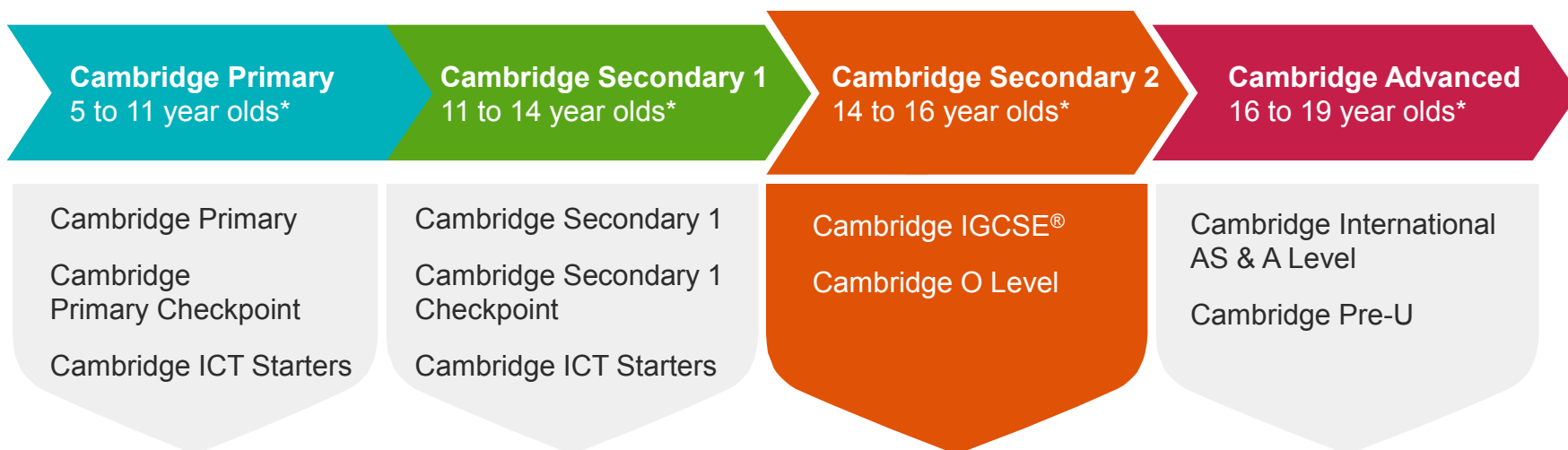




Cambridge Secondary 1 – optional assessments

- ▶ Two types of optional assessment:
 1. **Cambridge Secondary 1 Progression Tests** – assessed by school
 2. **Cambridge Secondary 1 Checkpoint** – assessed by Cambridge
- ▶ Help teachers monitor your child's progress
- ▶ Help identify and address strengths and weaknesses
- ▶ Provide international benchmarks
- ▶ Provide detailed reporting of your child's performance

Cambridge Secondary 2

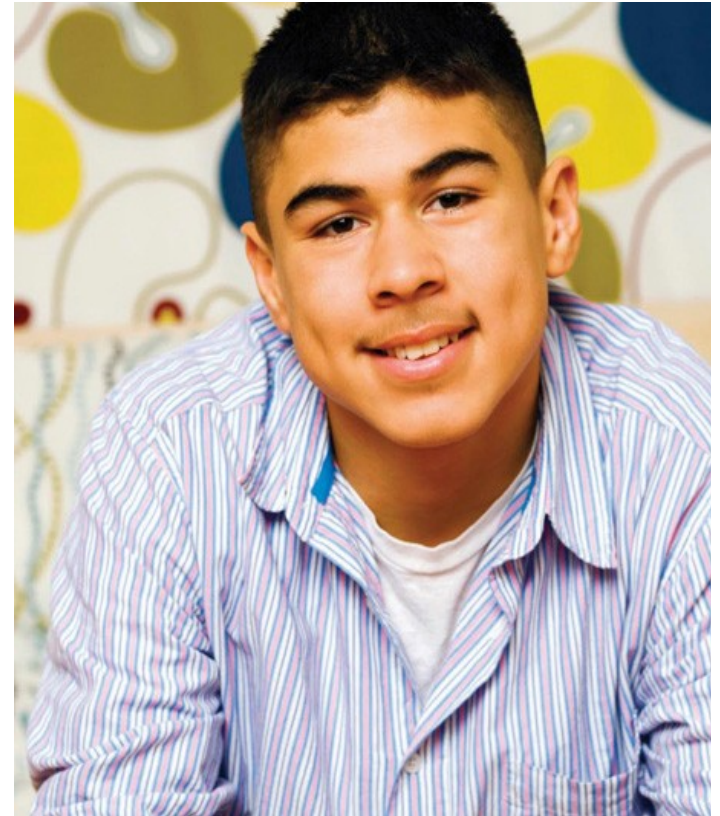


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Cambridge IGCSE®

- ▶ The world's most popular international qualification for 14 to 16 year olds
- ▶ Taken by over 340 000 learners in more than 140 countries
- ▶ Over 70 subjects available – can be taken in any combination
- ▶ Builds skills in creative thinking, enquiry and problem solving





Cambridge IGCSE

- ▶ Excellent preparation for advanced study
- ▶ Assessment options for learners of different abilities
- ▶ Internationally recognised qualifications
- ▶ Cambridge IGCSE is accepted as equivalent to GCSE in the UK



“Cambridge IGCSE provided me with the challenges I needed to prepare myself for the next stage in my life.”

Jazlina Sutanto, former Cambridge IGCSE student,
Anglo Singapore International School, Thailand

Cambridge O Level

- ▶ Cambridge is the biggest provider of O Level qualifications in the world
- ▶ Taken by over 140 000 learners in 50 countries worldwide
- ▶ Over 40 subjects available – can be taken in any combination
- ▶ Builds skills in creative thinking, enquiry and problem solving



Cambridge O Level

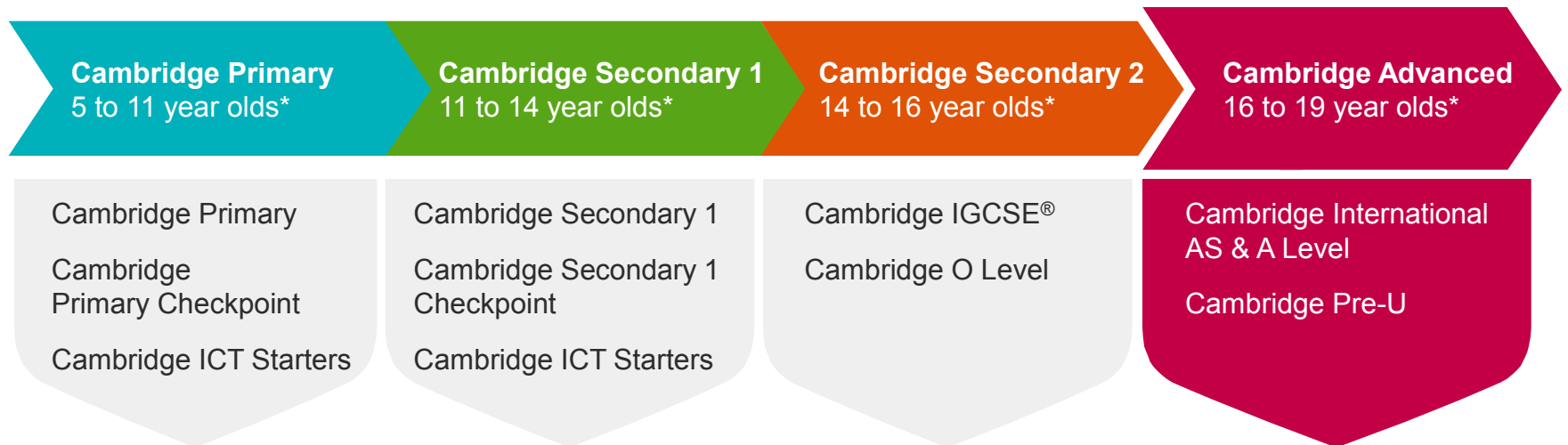
- ▶ Excellent preparation for advanced study
- ▶ Variety of assessment methods
- ▶ Internationally recognised qualifications
- ▶ Cambridge O Level is accepted as equivalent to GCSE in the UK



“As I applied mainly to UK universities, my Cambridge qualifications were viewed very favourably because UK students take similar qualifications.”

Kamal Khan Virk, former Cambridge O Level and Cambridge International AS & A Level student, Pakistan

Cambridge Advanced



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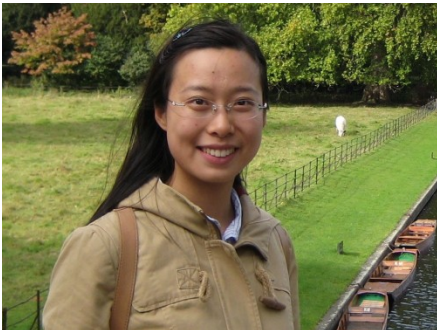
Cambridge International AS & A Level

- ▶ Taken by over 160 000 learners in 128 countries
- ▶ Over 55 subjects available
- ▶ Develops deep understanding, independent learning and constructive thinking skills
- ▶ Flexible programmes.



Cambridge International AS & A Level

- ▶ Internationally recognised qualification
- ▶ Variety of assessment methods
- ▶ Accepted by universities worldwide, including all UK universities
- ▶ Accepted by over 470 US universities including Harvard, Yale, MIT and Stanford
- ▶ A passport to success at university and in employment



“Studying Cambridge International A Levels gave me invaluable preparation for my study at the **University of Cambridge.**”

Xiao Zhang, former Cambridge learner, China



Cambridge Pre-U

- ▶ Prepares learners, typically aged 16 to 19, with the skills and knowledge they need to make a success of their studies at university
- ▶ Available in 25 Principal Subjects
- ▶ Two-year courses with exams at the end
- ▶ One-year Short Courses also available
- ▶ Recognised by many UK universities and all US Ivy League universities
- ▶ Mainly taken by UK schools as an alternative to A Level





Cambridge Pre-U Global Perspectives and Research (GPR)

- ▶ Develops critical thinking and research skills
- ▶ First year: Global Perspectives
 - students research and explore a wide range of global topics
- ▶ Second year: Research Report
 - students prepare an extended project, digging deeply into one topic
- ▶ Being taught in schools around the world to broaden students' learning



“I found Cambridge Pre-U GPR interesting, challenging and incredibly valuable for my university study.”

Jacqueline Agate, former student at Central Sussex College, UK, who progressed to study English Literature at Leeds University

University recognition database

Find out which universities recognise Cambridge qualifications at:

www.cie.org.uk/recognitionsearch

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Cambridge has a team of staff dedicated to extending university recognition of Cambridge qualifications

Recognition search

Recognition and acceptance

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Recognition search

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Babson College	Universities and colleges	United States Massachusetts	Cambridge International A Levels are recognised for matriculation purposes. The college awards credit for A Levels on a case by case basis. Please contact the university for further details. Details
Bentley College	Universities and colleges	United States Massachusetts	Bentley provides advance standing credit for A-levels, one of many foreign educational systems in which advance standing credit is allotted. If you would like a comprehensive listing, please refer to our website at: www.bentley.edu . Details

Global learning community



- ▶ Subject-specific online discussion forums for teachers
- ▶ Teacher professional development courses
- ▶ Social networks, such as Facebook, Twitter and YouTube
- ▶ Events for teachers and learners.

Helps Cambridge schools to offer a global learning experience



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