

# Qualification Specification

NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years  
Workforce (Early Years Educator)

QRN: 601/2629/2

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# Section 1: General introduction

## About this Qualification Specification

This Qualification Specification contains details of all the units you will be required to complete to gain the qualification.

## How the qualification works

This qualification is made up of units each representing a small step of learning. This allows the qualification to be completed at your own pace.

All of the units achieved can be ‘banked’. This means that if you want to take another qualification which includes the same units you do not have to take them again.

Each unit has:

- a **level** - shows how difficult it is
- a **credit value** - one credit represents about 10 hours' work
- a **unit aim** – explains what is covered in the unit
- **learning outcomes** – cover what you need to do (skills) or what you need to understand (knowledge)
- **assessment criteria** – what you need to show (evidence)

Each learning outcome is linked to a number of assessment criteria. Evidence must be provided for all the assessment criteria to gain the unit.

Learning outcomes¶ The learner will: □	Assessment criteria¶ The learner can: □	Evidence Record¶ e.g. page number & method □
1. Understand the impact of food and nutrition on children's health and development. □	1.1. Explain what is meant by healthy eating. □	□
	1.2. Evaluate national and local initiatives which promote healthy eating. □	□
	1.3. Describe food and drink requirements in relation to current frameworks. □	□

## Understanding learning outcomes

There are two main types of learning outcome:

- **Skills** that can be performed
- **Knowledge** that can be learnt.

Sometimes they can cover a combination of the two.

### Competence / Skills based learning outcomes:

- Begin with 'Be able to'. The assessment criteria usually show that the evidence could be observable within a real work environment. Other methods may be applied, please see chart in Assessment Guidance section. All evidence must be based on the learner's experience in a real work environment.

### Knowledge based learning outcomes:

- Begin with 'Know', 'Understand' or 'Know how to.'



For your convenience, Knowledge-only units are indicated by a lightbulb in both the Unit List and at the top of the units.

If a unit is not marked with a lightbulb, it is a skills unit or contains a mix of knowledge and skills.

## Assessing competence

Learners will need to meet all of the assessment criteria for knowledge, skills and competence included in the qualification using assessment methods selected at assessor discretion.

To aid assessors with discretionary decisions concerning individual experience in real work environments across the age range from 0-5 years: direct observations must continue to be used to assess competence with the age range the learner is working with but can be complemented with expert witness testimonies, reflective accounts including prior knowledge and professional discussions to assess knowledge, skills and competence outside of this age range.

## Making use of our website

Our website is maintained on a regular basis and this is where the most up to date documents can be found. We strongly advise that these should be used as a resource on an on-going basis to ensure you always have the most current information.

**All** our qualification documents are version controlled, allowing you to check for updates or revisions.

Our public website address is: [www.cache.org.uk](http://www.cache.org.uk) and contains information that is available to everybody. It contains information about all our qualifications, including:

- Key Facts
- Qualification Specifications.

There are also some other key documents that can be referred to when required. For example:

- **Complaints Procedure**
- **Appeals Process**
- **Diversity Statement.**

It also contains regular news updates and case studies and links to websites from other organisations that might be of interest.



## Plagiarism

Plagiarism means claiming work to be your own which has been copied from someone or somewhere else. All the work you submit must be your own and not copied from anyone else unless you clearly reference the source of your information. Your tutor will explain how to provide a reference list that shows where you found your information. If your Centre discovers evidence that your work is copied from elsewhere, it will not be accepted and you may be subject to your Centre's or our disciplinary procedure. If this happens you will have to submit an additional piece of work for assessment. We will be notified of any cases of plagiarism.

### **Buying and selling assignments**

Offering to buy or sell assignments is not allowed. This includes using sites such as eBay. If this happens we reserve the right not to accept future entries from you.



## Section 2: About this qualification

## Qualification summary

<b>Title</b>	NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator)		
<b>Qualification number</b>	601/2629/2		
<b>Aim</b>	<p>The aim of this qualification is to prepare learners to become Early Years Educators, enabling them to work with children from birth to 5 years and gain knowledge of children aged 5 to 7 years.</p> <p>Upon achievement of this qualification it is intended that learners will be able to enter the workforce as Early Years Educators.</p>		
<b>Purpose</b> Ofqual code and description (where applicable)	<p>D Confirm occupational competence and/or 'licence to practice'</p> <p>D1 Confirm competence in an occupational role to the standard required.</p>		
<b>Total Qualification Time (hours)</b>	610		
<b>Guided Learning (hours)</b>	486		
<b>Credit value</b>	61	<b>Minimum credit at / above Level</b>	61
<b>Minimum age of learner</b>	16		
<b>Age ranges covered by the qualification</b>	This qualification prepares learner to work with children between birth and 5 years with knowledge of children up to 7 years.		
<b>Real work environment (RWE) requirement / recommendation</b>	350 recommended placement hours.		
<b>Rules of Combination</b>	In order to achieve the Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) learners must gain a total of 61 credits. To do this they must achieve 23 mandatory units from Group A.		

<p><b>Progression</b> including Job Roles (where applicable)</p>	<p>Job roles include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• practitioner in day nurseries</li> <li>• practitioner in Nursery schools</li> <li>• practitioner in reception classes in primary schools</li> <li>• pre-school worker.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Recommended assessment methods</b></p>	<p>All units will be internally assessed using a range of methods. This could include direct observation within the workplace, a portfolio of evidence, written assignments or a task set by us*.</p> <p>* NB: assessment tasks are provided for tutors' convenience in the Tutor Guidance. They are not mandatory.</p>
<p><b>Additional assessment requirements</b></p>	<p>Some learning outcomes within this qualification will require assessment in a Real Work Environment.</p>
<p><b>Grading system</b></p>	<p>Pass / refer</p>
<p><b>Entry requirements / recommendations</b></p>	<p>Learners must be aged 16 or above.</p>

## Introduction

Welcome to the NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) (QRN: 601/2629/2). The many links to useful websites within this document are all accessible at the time of going to print.

## Qualification purpose

The NCFE CACHE Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) (QRN: 601/2629/2) prepares learners to become Early Years Educators, enabling them to work with children from birth to 5 years and gain knowledge of children aged 5 to 7 years.

Upon achievement of this qualification it is intended that learners will be able to enter the workforce as Early Years Educators.

In response to the Department for Education and National College for Teaching and Leadership Policy, **Improving the quality and range of education and childcare from birth to 5 years**, we have built a qualification to meet the Criteria required for those wishing to become Early Years Educators.

We have surpassed the minimum requirements set out in the Full and Relevant Criteria to develop a qualification which reflects the priorities of practitioners and employers to meet the needs of young children.

## Entry requirements

Learners must be at least 16 years old. We do not set any other entry requirements but centres may have their own guidelines.

## Early Years Educator: GCSE English and Maths Requirement

From 3 April 2017, the requirement for Level 3 Early Years Educators (EYE) to hold GCSE English and maths A\*-C, will be broadened to Level 2 qualifications, including Functional Skills. This will also apply to an apprenticeship route.

This will enable staff with an EYE qualification and Level 2 English and mathematics qualifications to count in the Level 3 staff: child ratios in childcare settings. This includes those who already hold an EYE qualification, began studying an EYE from September 2014 or will achieve an EYE in the future.

Please refer to the Early Years Workforce Strategy (March 2017) for further details. International qualifications can be checked through NARIC.

### Apprenticeship exit requirement

The Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) forms part of the Early Years Pathway of the Advanced Apprenticeship for the Children and Young People's Workforce. English and maths GCSEs at grade C or above are a completion requirement for childcare apprentices.

For accepted equivalencies for GCSE English and maths, please refer to the Department of Education website, Early Years Qualifications List.

## Qualification structure

In order to aid holistic delivery and assessment we have structured the units around the following three themes:

- **Theme 1:** Health and well-being
- **Theme 2:** Legislation, frameworks and professional practice
- **Theme 3:** Play, development and learning for school readiness

Please see the Unit List for details about which units are grouped under each of the themes.

Learners must achieve:

- **23 mandatory units**
- Credit value: **61**

## Placement hours

During placement, learners will need support from a professional within the Real Work Environment.

To aid assessors with discretionary decisions concerning individual experience in real work environments across the age range from 0-5 years: direct observations must continue to be used to assess competence with the age range the learner is working with but can be complemented with expert witness testimonies, reflective accounts including prior knowledge and professional discussions to assess knowledge, skills and competence outside of this age range.

## Assessment strategy

To gain this qualification the learner will need to achieve the following:

- ✓ **Pass in all units**  
All units in this qualification are mandatory. Units will be internally assessed. We have created innovative non-mandatory tasks for all units, with the exception of Unit 3.15 (see Longitudinal Study below). These can be found in the Learner Handbook and Tutor Guidance documents on our secure site.
  
- ✓ **Longitudinal Study (Unit 3.15)**  
This will be a **mandatory** task set by us. It will be internally assessed. Detailed guidance can be found in the Tutor Guidance on our secure site.
  
- ✓ **Competence in a real work environment**  
Full achievement of the qualification will not be possible until **all** components are complete. Unit certification will be available.

## Total Qualification Time/Guided Learning: Definitions

**Total Qualification Time** (TQT) is comprised of the following two elements:

- the number of hours which we have allocated to a qualification for **Guided Learning**
- an estimate of the number of hours a Learner will reasonably be likely to spend in preparation, study or any other form of participation in education or training, but not under the immediate supervision of a tutor or assessor.

### **GLH**


- Guided Learning and TQT apply to the qualification as a whole.
- We use **GLH** to refer to the estimated guided learning hours at unit level.



## Unit list

Our suite of Early Years Educator and associated qualifications are made up of a bank of shared units. A unit shared by multiple qualifications keeps the same unit number; therefore, unit numbers within our Unit Lists may not always run sequentially. We hope the consistent use of unit numbers will help you identify the crossover of units when navigating our Early Years Educator suite.

### Theme 1: Health and well-being

Unit no.	Unit ref.	Title	Level	Credit	GLH
Unit 1.1	L/505/9300	Support healthy lifestyles for children through the provision of food and nutrition	2	2	20
Unit 1.2 WB	A/505/9809	Support healthy lifestyles for children through exercise	2	1	8
Unit 1.3 WB	M/505/9810	Support physical care routines for children	2	2	15
Unit 1.4 WB	T/505/9811	Promote children's emotional well-being	3	2	14
 Unit 1.5	A/505/9812	Understand how to support children who are unwell	3	2	19

### Theme 2: Legislation, frameworks and professional practice

Unit no.	Unit ref.	Title	Level	Credit	GLH
 Unit 2.2	F/505/9813	Understand legislation relating to the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children	3	3	21
Unit 2.3 WB	J/505/9814	Use legislation relating to the health and safety of children	3	2	20
Unit 2.4 WB	L/505/9815	Follow legislation relating to equality, diversity and inclusive practice	3	3	21
Unit 2.5 WB	R/505/9816	Working in partnership	3	2	15
Unit 4.1	F/505/9830	Engage in professional development	3	2	15

**Theme 3: Play, development and learning for school readiness**

Unit no	Unit ref.	Title	Level	Credit	GLH
Unit 3.1	Y/505/9817	Understand the value of play in Early Years	3	2	20
Unit 3.2 WB	D/505/9818	Plan, lead and review play opportunities which support children's learning and development	3	3	22
Unit 3.4 WB	H/505/9819	Promote enabling play environments	3	2	16
Unit 3.5 WB	Y/505/9820	Developing children's emergent literacy skills	3	3	25
Unit 3.6 WB	D/505/9821	Developing children's emergent mathematical skills	3	4	34
Unit 3.7 WB	H/505/9822	Support children's transition to school	3	2	17
Unit 3.9 WB	K/505/9823	Develop children's cognitive skills	3	2	20
Unit 3.10 WB	M/505/9824	Promote children's speech, language and communication	3	3	21
Unit 3.11 WB	A/505/9826	Promoting children's physical development	3	2	19
Unit 3.12 WB	T/505/9825	Promoting children's personal, social and emotional development	3	3	23
Unit 3.13	F/505/9827	Support children with additional needs	3	4	30
Unit 3.14	J/505/9828	Use observation, assessment and planning to promote the development of children	3	5	37
Unit 3.15	L/505/9829	Use longitudinal studies to observe, assess and plan for children's needs	3	5	34

## Section 3: Units



## Unit 1.1: Support healthy lifestyles for children through the provision of food and nutrition

**Unit reference** L/505/9300

**Unit level** 2

**Credit value** 2

**GLH** 20

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to support healthy lifestyles for children.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand the impact of food and nutrition on children's health and development.	1.1. Explain what is meant by healthy eating.	
	1.2. Evaluate national and local initiatives which promote healthy eating.	
	1.3. Describe food and drink requirements in relation to current frameworks.	
2. Understand how food choices impact on health and development during pre-pregnancy, pregnancy and breastfeeding.	2.1. Explain the impact on health and development of food choices during: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• pre-pregnancy</li> <li>• pregnancy</li> <li>• breastfeeding.</li> </ul>	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Understand the nutritional needs of children.	3.1. Explain the nutritional value of the main food groups.	
	3.2. Use current government guidance to identify the nutritional needs of babies until they are fully weaned.	
	3.3. Explain how to plan a weaning programme.	
	3.4. Discuss the nutritional requirements of children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1-2 years</li> <li>• 2-3 years</li> <li>• 3-5 years</li> <li>• 5-7 years.</li> </ul>	
	3.5. Explain strategies to encourage healthy eating.	
4. Understand the impact of poor diet on children's health and development.	4.1. Explain the impacts of poor diet on children's health and development in the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• short term</li> <li>• long term.</li> </ul>	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
5. Understand individuals' dietary requirements and preferences.	5.1. Identify reasons for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• special dietary requirements</li> <li>• keeping and sharing coherent records with regard to special dietary requirements.</li> </ul>	
	5.2. Explain the role of the Early Years practitioner in meeting children's individual dietary requirements and preferences.	
	5.3. Describe benefits of working in partnership with parents/carers in relation to special dietary requirements.	
6. Be able to support healthy eating in own setting.	6.1. Plan an activity to support healthy eating in own setting.	
	6.2. Implement an activity to support healthy eating in own setting.	
	6.3. Reflect on own role when supporting healthy eating in own setting.	
	6.4. Make recommendations for healthy eating in own setting.	

**Learner declaration of authenticity:**

I declare that the work presented for this unit is entirely my own work.

Learner signature:

Date:

**Assessor sign off of completed unit: Unit 1.1**

I confirm that the learner has met the requirements for all assessment criteria demonstrating knowledge and skills for this unit.

Assessor name:

Signature:

Date:

For e-portfolio a signature is not required, providing the learner has a personalised and secure login.

**Additional information about the unit:**

Relationship to occupational standards.

This unit must be assessed in line with the EYE assessment strategy and principles.



## Unit 1.2 WB: Support healthy lifestyles for children through exercise

**Unit reference** A/505/9809                      **Unit level** 2

**Credit value** 1                                      **GLH** 8

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to support healthy lifestyles for children through exercise.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand children's need for exercise.	1.1. Outline the benefits of exercise for children.	
	1.2. Identify the requirements of current frameworks for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• outdoor access</li> <li>• regular exercise for children.</li> </ul>	
	1.3. Evaluate national and local initiatives which promote children's exercise.	
	1.4. Describe benefits of working in partnership with parents/carers in relation to supporting children's exercise.	
2. Be able to support children's exercise in an indoor and outdoor space.	2.1. Plan an activity which supports children's exercise in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an indoor space</li> <li>• an outdoor space.</li> </ul>	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	2.2. Implement an activity which supports children’s exercise in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an indoor space</li> <li>• an outdoor space.</li> </ul>	
	2.3. Reflect on an activity which supports children’s exercise in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an indoor space</li> <li>• an outdoor space.</li> </ul>	
	2.4. Make recommendations for providing inclusive indoor and outdoor provision for own setting.	

**Learner declaration of authenticity:**  
 I declare that the work presented for this unit is entirely my own work.

Learner signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Assessor sign off of completed unit:** Unit 1.2 WB  
 I confirm that the learner has met the requirements for all assessment criteria demonstrating knowledge and skills for this unit.

Assessor name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For e-portfolio a signature is not required, providing the learner has a personalised and secure login.

<b>Additional information about the unit:</b>	
Additional unit assessment requirements.	This unit must be assessed in line with the EYE assessment strategy and principles.

## Unit 1.3 WB: Support physical care routines for children

<b>Unit reference</b>	M/505/9810	<b>Unit level</b>	2
<b>Credit value</b>	2	<b>GLH</b>	15
<b>Unit aim</b>	This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to support children’s physical care as part of a healthy lifestyle.		

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand the physical care needs of children.	1.1. Explain the role of the Early Years practitioner during: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• nappy changing</li> <li>• toilet training</li> <li>• washing and bath time</li> <li>• care of skin, teeth and hair</li> <li>• meal times.</li> </ul>	
	1.2. Identify situations in which non-routine physical care is required.	
	1.3. Describe benefits of working in partnership with parents/carers in relation to individual physical care routines.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
2. Be able to use hygienic practice to minimise the spread of infection.	2.1. Use hygienic practice in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• hand washing</li> <li>• food hygiene</li> <li>• formula feed</li> <li>• dealing with spillages safely</li> <li>• safe disposal of waste</li> <li>• using correct personal protective equipment</li> <li>• cleaning and sterilisation processes.</li> </ul>	
3. Understand rest and sleep needs of children.	3.1. Explain the rest and sleep needs of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a baby aged 6 weeks</li> <li>• a baby aged 7 months</li> <li>• a toddler aged 15 months</li> <li>• a child aged 2 and a half years</li> <li>• a child aged 4 – 5 years</li> <li>• a child aged 6 – 7 years.</li> </ul>	
	3.2. Explain safety precautions which minimise the risk of sudden infant death syndrome.	
4. Understand childhood immunisation.	4.1. Outline the reasons for immunisation.	
	4.2. Identify the immunisation schedule.	
	4.3. Explain the reasons why some children are not immunised.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
5. Be able to support children in personal physical care routines.	5.1. Support children in personal physical care routines in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• toileting and/or nappy changing</li> <li>• washing and/or bath time</li> <li>• skin, teeth and hair</li> <li>• meal times</li> <li>• resting and/or sleeping.</li> </ul>	

**Learner declaration of authenticity:**  
 I declare that the work presented for this unit is entirely my own work.

Learner signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Assessor sign off of completed unit: Unit 1.3 WB**  
 I confirm that the learner has met the requirements for all assessment criteria demonstrating knowledge and skills for this unit.

Assessor name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For e-portfolio a signature is not required, providing the learner has a personalised and secure login.

<b>Additional information about the unit:</b>	
Additional unit assessment requirements.	This unit must be assessed in line with the EYE assessment strategy and principles.



## Unit 1.4 WB: Promote children's emotional well-being

**Unit reference** T/505/9811                      **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 2                                      **GLH** 14

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, skills and understanding to promote children's emotional well-being.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand children's needs in relation to emotional well-being.	1.1. Explain theoretical perspectives on emotional well-being.	
	1.2. Explain the process of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bonding</li> <li>• attachment</li> <li>• developing secure relationships.</li> </ul>	
	1.3. Evaluate the impact of secure relationships on a child's emotional well-being.	
2. Understand the requirements for promoting emotional well-being in relation to current frameworks.	2.1. Analyse the role of the Key Person in promoting emotional well-being.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Understand the needs of children during transition and significant events.	3.1. Identify transitions and significant events that a child may experience.	
	3.2. Describe potential effects of transition and significant events on a child's life.	
	3.3. Explain the role of the Early Years practitioner in preparing a child for a planned transition.	
	3.4. Explain the role of the Early Years practitioner in supporting the needs of children during transition and significant life events	
4. Be able to promote the emotional well-being of children in own setting.	4.1. Identify the needs of children in own setting in relation to emotional well-being.	
	4.2. Work with children in a way that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• supports independence</li> <li>• builds resilience and perseverance</li> <li>• builds confidence</li> <li>• supports self-reliance</li> <li>• equips children to protect themselves</li> <li>• builds relationships between children.</li> </ul>	
	4.3. Plan an activity to promote emotional well-being in own setting.	
	4.4. Implement an activity to promote emotional well-being in own setting.	



<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	4.5. Evaluate own role when promoting emotional well-being in own setting.	

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## Unit 1.5: Understand how to support children who are unwell



**Unit reference** A/505/9812

**Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 2

**GLH** 19

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge and understanding of how to support children who are unwell.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Know common childhood illnesses.	1.1. Identify common childhood illnesses.	
	1.2. Describe signs and symptoms of common childhood illnesses.	
	1.3. Explain treatments for common childhood illnesses.	
	1.4. Identify exclusion periods for common childhood illnesses.	
2. Know the signs of ill health in children.	2.1. Describe the signs and symptoms of ill health in children.	
	2.2. Give examples of when medical intervention is necessary.	
3. Understand legal requirements for reporting notifiable diseases.	3.1. Identify notifiable diseases.	
	3.2. Describe the process for reporting notifiable diseases.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
4. Understand the role of the Early Years practitioner in minimising ill health in children.	4.1. Explain how the Early Years practitioner can minimise ill health in children.	
5. Understand care routines when a child is ill.	5.1. Describe the needs of a child who is ill in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• food and drink</li> <li>• personal care</li> <li>• rest and sleep</li> <li>• emotional well-being</li> <li>• dignity and respect</li> <li>• observation and monitoring.</li> </ul>	
	5.2. Outline the procedures for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• storage of medication</li> <li>• administration of medication</li> <li>• record keeping with regard to medication.</li> </ul>	
	5.3. Explain procedures which are followed when a child is taken ill in a setting.	
6. Understand how to support children for planned hospital admission.	6.1. Describe how the Early Years practitioner supports a child to prepare for a stay in hospital.	
7. Understand the therapeutic role of play in hospitals.	7.1. Describe the therapeutic role of play in hospital in supporting children's recovery.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
8. Understand the role of the Early Years practitioner when supporting children who are chronically ill.	8.1. Describe the responsibilities of the Early Years practitioner when supporting a child who has a chronic health condition in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• training and development needs</li> <li>• partnership working</li> <li>• inclusive practice</li> <li>• support for self.</li> </ul>	

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## Unit 2.2: Understand legislation relating to the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children



**Unit reference** F/505/9813 **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 3 **GLH** 21

**Unit aim** This unit provides the knowledge and understanding required to support the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children from birth to 7 years.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand legislation and guidelines for the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children.	1.1. Summarise current legislation and guidelines for the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children.	
	1.2. Identify policies and procedures relating to the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children.	
	1.3. Analyse how current legislation and guidelines for safeguarding inform policy and procedure.	
2. Understand policies and procedures for the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children.	2.1. Explain the roles and responsibilities of the Early Years practitioner in relation to the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children.	
	2.2. Describe the lines of reporting and responsibility to meet the safeguarding, protection and welfare requirements of children.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	2.3. Explain the boundaries of confidentiality in relation to the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children.	
	2.4. Analyse the benefits of partnership working in the context of safeguarding, protection and welfare of children.	
3. Understand how to respond to evidence or concerns that a child has been abused or harmed.	3.1. Explain child protection in relation to safeguarding.	
	3.2. Describe signs, symptoms, indicators and behaviours that may cause concern relating to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• domestic abuse</li> <li>• neglect</li> <li>• physical abuse</li> <li>• emotional abuse</li> <li>• sexual abuse.</li> </ul>	
	3.3. Describe actions to take if harm or abuse is suspected and/or disclosed.	
	3.4. Explain the rights of children and parents/carers in situations where harm or abuse is suspected or alleged.	
	3.5. Explain the responsibilities of the Early Years practitioner in relation to whistleblowing.	
4. Understand the purpose of serious case reviews.	4.1. Explain why serious case reviews are required.	
	4.2. Analyse how serious case reviews inform practice.	



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Additional unit assessment requirements.

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## Unit 2.3 WB: Use legislation relating to the health and safety of children

**Unit reference** J/505/9814                      **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 2                                      **GLH** 20

**Unit aim** This unit provides the knowledge, understanding and skills to support the health and safety of children from birth to 7 years.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand legislation and guidelines for health and safety.	1.1. Summarise current legislation and guidelines relating to the health and safety of children.	
2. Understand policies and procedures for health and safety.	2.1. Identify policies and procedures relating to the health and safety of children.	
	2.2. Analyse how legislation and guidelines for health and safety inform day to day work with children.	
	2.3. Describe procedures for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• registration of children</li> <li>• collection of children.</li> </ul>	
3. Be able to manage risk within an environment which provides challenge for children.	3.1. Explain why it is important to take a balanced approach to risk management.	
	3.2. Carry out risk assessment within own setting.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	3.3. Describe how health and safety risk assessments are monitored and reviewed.	
	3.4. Support children in own setting to manage risk.	
	3.5. Reflect on own role in the setting when managing risk.	
4. Be able to identify, record and report accidents, incidents and emergencies.	4.1. Complete records in the event of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• accidents</li> <li>• incidents</li> <li>• emergencies.</li> </ul>	

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## Unit 2.4 WB: Follow legislation relating to equality, diversity and inclusive practice

**Unit reference** L/505/9815 **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 3 **GLH** 21

**Unit aim** This unit provides the knowledge, understanding and skills required to support equality, diversity and inclusive practice.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand how legislation, policies and procedures inform equality, diversity and inclusive practice.	1.1. Identify legislation, policies and procedures relating to equality, diversity and inclusive practice.	
	1.2. Explain the roles and responsibilities of the Early Years practitioner in supporting equality, diversity and inclusive practice.	
2. Be able to use information, advice and support to promote equality, diversity and inclusion.	2.1. Access information, advice and support about equality, diversity and inclusion.	
	2.2. Reflect on ways information, advice and support about equality, diversity and inclusion can be used to inform practice.	
3. Be able to work in ways which support equality, diversity and inclusive practice.	3.1. Interact with children in a way that values them and meets their individual needs.	
	3.2. Analyse the benefits of supporting equality, diversity and inclusive practice.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	3.3. Evaluate the impact of own attitudes, values and behaviour when supporting equality, diversity and inclusive practice.	

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## Unit 2.5 WB: Working in partnership

<b>Unit reference</b>	R/505/9816	<b>Unit level</b>	3
<b>Credit value</b>	2	<b>GLH</b>	15
<b>Unit aim</b>	This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills required to work in partnership.		

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand the principles of partnership working in relation to current frameworks when working with children.	1.1. Identify reasons for working in partnership.	
	1.2. Summarise policy and procedural requirements in relation to partnership working.	
2. Understand how to work in partnership.	2.1. Explain the roles of others involved in partnership working when supporting children.	
	2.2. Evaluate partnership working in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>meeting children's additional needs</li> <li>safeguarding children</li> <li>children's transitions.</li> </ul>	
	2.3. Identify different family structures.	
	2.4. Analyse benefits of working in partnership with parents/carers.	
	2.5. Identify when parents/carers	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	need support.	
	2.6. Give examples of support which may be offered to parents/carers.	
3. Understand challenges to partnership working.	3.1. Identify barriers to partnership working.	
	3.2. Explain strategies to overcome barriers when working in partnership.	
	3.3. Evaluate the complexity of partnership working.	
	3.4. Analyse the potential tension between maintaining confidentiality and the need to disclose information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• when poor practice is identified</li> <li>• where a child is at risk</li> <li>• when it is suspected that a crime has been/may be committed.</li> </ul>	
4. Be able to work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.	4.1. Work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.	
5. Be able to complete records.	5.1. Complete records that are accurate, legible, concise and meet organisational and legal requirements.	



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## Unit 4.1: Engage in professional development

**Unit reference** F/505/9830                      **Unit Level** 3

**Credit value** 2                                      **GLH** 15

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills required to engage in professional development.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand professional development.	1.1. Explain 'professional development'.	
	1.2. Describe methods for identifying professional development opportunities.	
2. Understand theoretical perspectives in relation to reflection.	2.1. Summarise theoretical perspectives on reflection in relation to professional development.	
3. Be able to use reflective practice to contribute to own professional development.	3.1. Develop a Curriculum Vitae.	
	3.2. Analyse own professional development needs in relation to the role of the Early Years practitioner.	
	3.3. Review own learning needs, professional interests and development opportunities.	
	3.4. Maintain subject knowledge across curriculum subjects which are of personal interest.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	3.5. Work with others to agree own personal development plan.	
	3.6. Use learning opportunities to support own professional development.	
	3.7. Explain how reflective practice leads to improved ways of working.	
	3.8. Record progress in relation to personal development.	

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## Unit 3.1: Understand the value of play in Early Years



**Unit reference** Y/505/9817                      **Unit level** 3  
**Credit value** 2                                      **GLH** 20

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with knowledge and understanding of the value of play in Early Years in preparation for practical experience.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand the role of play.	1.1. Explain the innate drive for children to play.	
	1.2. Analyse how play is necessary for the development of children.	
2. Understand children's rights in relation to play.	2.1. Identify the rights of children in relation to play as detailed in the 'UN Convention on the Rights of the Child'.	
	2.2. Explain how settings meet the right for children to play.	
3. Understand play at different stages of children's development.	3.1. Explain the characteristics of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• child-initiated play</li> <li>• adult-led play.</li> </ul>	
	3.2. Identify how children's play needs and preferences change in relation to their stage of development.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
4. Understand different types of play for all children.	4.1. Describe benefits of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• physical play</li> <li>• creative play</li> <li>• imaginative play</li> <li>• sensory play.</li> </ul>	
	4.2. Explain the principles of heuristic play.	
	4.3. Evaluate resources for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• physical play</li> <li>• creative play</li> <li>• imaginative play</li> <li>• sensory play</li> <li>• heuristic play.</li> </ul>	
5. Understand inclusive play practice.	5.1. Summarise inclusive play practice in relation to current frameworks.	
	5.2. Analyse how play supports the interests and abilities of children.	

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## Unit 3.2 WB: Plan, lead and review play opportunities which support children's learning and development

**Unit reference** D/505/9818 **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 3 **GLH** 22

**Unit aim** This unit provides the knowledge, understanding and skills which a learner needs to be able to plan, lead and review purposeful play opportunities that support children's learning and development.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand theoretical perspectives and philosophical approaches which support play.	1.1. Identify theories and philosophical approaches which influence play.	
	1.2. Summarise how theoretical perspectives and philosophical approaches on play inform practice	
2. Be able to apply theoretical perspectives and philosophical approaches in planning play opportunities.	2.1. Create a plan using theoretical perspectives and philosophical approaches to play which support the developmental stage, needs and interests of children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Be able to lead and support play opportunities.	3.1. Create a plan which includes a balance of child-initiated and adult-led play opportunities for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• physical play</li> <li>• creative play</li> <li>• imaginative play</li> <li>• sensory play.</li> </ul>	
	3.2. Lead a planned play opportunity in own setting.	
	3.3. Support children’s participation in a planned play opportunity.	
	3.4. Demonstrate how play opportunities provide a balance between child-initiated and adult-led play.	
	3.5. Encourage parents/carers to take an active role in children’s play.	
4. Be able to review how planned play opportunities contribute to own practice.	4.1. Evaluate how a planned play opportunity meets the play, learning and developmental needs of children.	
	4.2. Reflect on how a planned play opportunity relates to current frameworks.	
	4.3. Analyse own role in relation to planned play opportunities.	
	4.4. Make recommendations for the next stage of children’s learning and development in relation to planned play opportunities.	

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## Unit 3.4 WB: Promote enabling play environments

<b>Unit reference</b>	H/505/9819	<b>Unit level</b>	3
<b>Credit value</b>	2	<b>GLH</b>	16
<b>Unit aim</b>	This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills required to contribute to enabling play environments.		

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand the play environment.	1.1. Identify types of environment.	
	1.2. Explain how environments support play.	
	1.3. Explain how to work collaboratively to provide enabling play environments in Early Years settings.	
2. Understand how the Early Years practitioner supports children's behaviour and socialisation within play environments.	2.1. Describe the role of the Early Years practitioner in supporting children's socialisation within play environments.	
	2.2. Analyse strategies to support children to manage their own behaviour in relation to others.	
	2.3. Explain how the Early Years practitioner provides for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• group learning</li> <li>• socialisation.</li> </ul>	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Be able to support children's behaviour and socialisation within play environments.	3.1. Model positive behaviour.	
	3.2. Plan an enabling environment which supports children's socialisation and group learning.	
	3.3. Use strategies when supporting children to manage their own behaviour.	
4. Understand how the characteristics of an enabling indoor and outdoor play environment meet the age, stage and needs of children.	4.1. Explain the characteristics of an enabling: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• indoor play environment</li> <li>• outdoor play environment.</li> </ul>	
	4.2. Describe how enabling indoor and outdoor play environments meet the age, stage and needs of children.	
5. Be able to provide enabling play environments.	5.1. Plan an enabling play environment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• indoors</li> <li>• outdoors.</li> </ul>	
	5.2. Create an enabling play environment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• indoors</li> <li>• outdoors.</li> </ul>	
6. Be able to plan and lead opportunities which support children's understanding of the world.	6.1. Plan opportunities which support children's understanding of the world.	
	6.2. Lead opportunities which support children's understanding of the world.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
7. Be able to plan and lead opportunities which encourage children's engagement in expressive arts and design.	7.1. Plan opportunities which encourage children's expressive art and design.	
	7.2. Lead opportunities which encourage children's expressive art and design.	

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## Unit 3.5 WB: Developing children's emergent literacy skills

<b>Unit reference</b>	Y/505/9820	<b>Unit level</b>	3
<b>Credit value</b>	3	<b>GLH</b>	25
<b>Unit aim</b>	This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to develop children's emergent literacy by providing a language rich environment.		

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand the language and communication needs of children.	1.1. Identify the stages of language and communication development from birth to 7 years.	
	1.2. Describe factors which affect language and communication needs.	
	1.3. Explain how working with others supports children's emergent literacy from birth to 7 years.	
2. Be able to support children's language and communication needs.	2.1. Develop a language rich environment for children.	
	2.2. Interact with children to meet individual language and communication needs.	

3. Understand strategies which support emergent literacy.	3.1. Explain strategies to support the development of emergent literacy in relation to current frameworks.	
	3.2. Explain the use of systematic synthetic phonics in the teaching of reading.	
	3.3. Describe how the Early Years practitioner provides opportunities for sustained shared thinking to support children's emergent literacy.	
4. Be able to use strategies to plan and lead activities which support emergent literacy.	4.1. Use strategies to plan activities which encourage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• speaking and listening</li> <li>• reading</li> <li>• sustained shared thinking</li> <li>• writing</li> <li>• digital literacy.</li> </ul>	
	4.2. Lead an activity to support and extend emergent literacy.	
	4.3. Evaluate benefits to children's holistic learning and development when supporting emergent literacy.	
5. Be able to review how planned activities support emergent literacy.	5.1. Evaluate how planned activities support emergent literacy in relation to current frameworks.	
	5.2. Analyse own role in relation to planned activities.	
	5.3. Make recommendations for meeting children's individual literacy needs.	

<p>6. Be able to work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.</p>	<p>6.1. Work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.</p>	
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<b>Additional information about the unit:</b>	
<p>Additional unit assessment requirements.</p>	<p>This unit must be assessed in line with the EYE assessment strategy and principles.</p>



## Unit 3.6 WB: Developing children’s emergent mathematical skills

**Unit reference** D/505/9821 **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 4 **GLH** 34

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to develop children’s emergent mathematical development.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand how mathematics relates to children’s everyday lives.	1.1. Describe how mathematics is evident in children’s everyday lives.	
	1.2. Analyse factors which affect children’s learning of mathematical concepts.	
2. Understand how working with others supports children’s emergent mathematical development.	2.1. Explain how working with others supports children’s emergent mathematical development.	
3. Understand how to create an environment which supports children’s emergent mathematical development	3.1. Describe how to create an environment which supports children’s emergent mathematical development in relation to current frameworks for children from birth to 7 years.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
4. Understand the role of the Early Years practitioner in relation to supporting children's emergent mathematical development.	4.1. Describe reasons for scaffolding children's mathematical development.	
	4.2. Analyse reasons for valuing individual interests when supporting children's emergent mathematical development.	
	4.3. Describe how the Early Years practitioner provides opportunities for sustained shared thinking to support children's emergent mathematical development.	
5. Understand how opportunities support children's emergent mathematical development.	5.1. Explain strategies to support the development of emergent mathematical development in relation to current frameworks for children from birth to 7 years.	
	5.2. Describe opportunities which support children's understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• number</li> <li>• shape, size and pattern</li> <li>• weight, volume and capacity</li> <li>• space and time</li> <li>• matching and sorting</li> <li>• data representation</li> <li>• problem-solving.</li> </ul>	
6. Be able to implement activities to support children's emergent mathematical development.	6.1. Plan an activity to support children's emergent mathematical development.	
	6.2. Lead an activity to support children's emergent mathematical development.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
7. Be able to review how planned activities support children's emergent mathematical development.	7.1. Evaluate how planned activities support children's emergent mathematical development in relation to current frameworks.	
	7.2. Analyse own role in relation to planned activities which support children's emergent mathematical development.	
	7.3. Make recommendations for meeting children's emergent mathematical needs.	
8. Be able to work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.	8.1. Work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.	

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<b>Additional information about the unit:</b>	
Additional unit assessment requirements.	This unit must be assessed in line with the EYE assessment strategy and principles.



## Unit 3.7 WB: Support children's transition to school

<b>Unit reference</b>	H/505/9822	<b>Unit level</b>	3
<b>Credit value</b>	2	<b>GLH</b>	17

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge and understanding required to support children during transition to school.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand 'school readiness' in relation to the role of the Early Years practitioner.	1.1. Describe characteristics of 'school readiness'.	
	1.2. Describe factors affecting children's readiness for school.	
	1.3. Explain how the Early Years practitioner supports children to prepare for school.	
2. Understand 'school readiness' in relation to the current framework.	2.1. Describe areas of learning and development within the current framework which relate to school readiness.	
	2.2. Identify assessment strategies in relation to the current framework.	
	2.3. Evaluate the current framework's assessment process in supporting children's preparation for school.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Be able to work in partnership with others to support children's readiness for school.	3.1. Work with others to prepare children for school in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• sharing information in line with current frameworks</li> <li>• supporting individual needs of children during transition.</li> </ul>	
	3.2. Work with parents / carers in a way which encourages parents/carers to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development in preparation for school readiness.	

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Additional unit assessment requirements.	This unit must be assessed in line with the EYE assessment strategy and principles.

## Unit 3.9 WB: Develop children's cognitive skills

**Unit reference** K/505/9823                      **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 2                                      **GLH** 20

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to facilitate the cognitive development of children from birth to 7 years.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand about cognitive development in children	1.1. Describe sensory development in the first year of life.	
	1.2. Identify stages of cognitive development in children from birth to 7 years.	
	1.3. Summarise current scientific research relating to neurological and brain development in Early Years.	
	1.4. Explain how current scientific research relating to neurological and brain development in Early Years influences practice in Early Years settings.	
2. Understand theory underpinning cognitive development.	2.1. Describe theoretical perspectives in relation to cognitive development.	
	2.2. Analyse how theoretical perspectives in relation to cognitive development impact on current practice.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Be able to implement a learning experience which supports the development of sustained shared thinking in children.	3.1. Plan a learning experience which supports the development of sustained shared thinking in children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	
	3.2. Lead a learning experience which supports the development of sustained shared thinking in children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	
4. Be able to evaluate the provision for supporting cognitive development in own setting.	4.1. Evaluate the provision for supporting cognitive development in own setting.	

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**Additional information about the unit:**

Additional unit assessment requirements.

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## Unit 3.10 WB: Promote children's speech, language and communication

**Unit reference** M/505/9824 **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 3 **GLH** 21

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to develop the speech, language and communication of children.

**Learner name:**

**Centre no:**

**PIN:**

**ULN:**

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand theory and current frameworks which underpin children's speech, language and communication development.	1.1. Define the terms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• speech</li> <li>• language</li> <li>• communication.</li> </ul>	
	1.2. Describe theoretical perspectives in relation to speech, language and communication development.	
	1.3. Analyse how theoretical perspectives relating to speech, language and communication development inform current frameworks.	
2. Understand how the Early Years practitioner supports the development of speech, language and communication of children.	2.1. Describe the benefits to children's holistic learning and development when supporting speech, language and communication development.	
	2.2. Analyse how the use of technology supports the development of speech, language and communication.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Be able to create a language rich environment to develop the speech, language and communication of children in own setting	3.1. Create a language rich environment which develops the speech, language and communication of children in own setting.	
4. Be able to lead activities which support the development of speech, language and communication of children.	4.1. Plan an activity which supports the development of speech, language and communication of children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	
	4.2. Implement an activity which supports the development of speech, language and communication of children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	
	4.3. Reflect on own role in relation to the provision for supporting speech, language and communication development in own setting.	



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**Additional information about the unit:**

Additional unit assessment requirements.

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## Unit 3.11 WB: Promoting children's physical development

**Unit reference** A/505/9826                      **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 2                                      **GLH** 19

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to promote the physical development of children from birth to 7 years.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand physical development of children.	1.1. Identify stages of physical development of children from birth to 7 years.	
	1.2. Describe the development of children's physical skills.	
	1.3. Describe the benefits to children's holistic learning and development when promoting physical development.	
2. Understand theory and current frameworks in relation to children's physical development.	2.1. Describe theoretical perspectives in relation to physical development.	
	2.2. Analyse how theoretical perspectives in relation to physical development inform current frameworks.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Be able to implement opportunities which promote the physical development of children.	3.1. Plan an opportunity which promotes the physical development of children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	
	3.2. Provide an opportunity which promotes physical development for children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	
	3.3. Reflect on own role in relation to the provision for promoting physical development in own setting.	

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**Additional information about the unit:**

Additional unit assessment requirements.

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## Unit 3.12 WB: Promoting children's personal, social and emotional development.

**Unit reference** T/505/9825                      **Unit level** 3  
**Credit value** 3                                      **GLH** 23

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to promote the personal, social and emotional development of children.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand personal, social and emotional development of children.	1.1. Describe the stages of personal, social and emotional development of children from birth to 7 years.	
2. Understand theory and current frameworks underpinning personal, social and emotional development of children.	2.1. Describe theoretical perspectives in relation to personal, social and emotional development.	
	2.2. Analyse how theoretical perspectives in relation to personal, social and emotional development inform current frameworks.	
3. Be able to promote the personal, social and emotional development of children.	3.1. Create an environment which promotes the personal, social and emotional development of children in own setting.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
4. Be able to implement an opportunity which promotes the personal, social and emotional development of children.	4.1. Plan an opportunity which promotes the personal, social and emotional development of children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	
	4.2. Provide an opportunity which promotes the personal, social and emotional development of children aged: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	
	4.3. Describe the benefits to children’s holistic learning and development when promoting personal, social and emotional development.	
	4.4. Reflect on own role in relation to the provision for promoting the personal, social and emotional development of children in own setting.	

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Additional unit assessment requirements.

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## Unit 3.13: Support children with additional needs

**Unit reference** F/505/9827

**Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 4

**GLH** 30

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills required to support children with additional needs.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand biological, environmental and developmental factors which may result in children needing additional support.	1.1. Define the terms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• biological</li> <li>• environmental.</li> </ul>	
	1.2. Analyse the impact of biological factors on children's development.	
	1.3. Analyse the impact of environmental factors on children's development.	
	1.4. Analyse the impact of the stage of development on children's learning.	
	1.5. Describe factors which affect children's development in the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• short term</li> <li>• long term</li> </ul>	
2. Understand how personal experiences, values and beliefs impact on the role of the Early Years practitioner.	2.1. Analyse how personal experiences, values and beliefs impact on the professional practice of the Early Years practitioner.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Understand the principles of inclusive practice.	3.1. Identify the requirements of current legislation in relation to inclusive practice.	
	3.2. Explain the medical and social models of disability.	
	3.3. Evaluate inclusive practice in relation to current frameworks for children from birth to 7 years.	
4. Understand the role of early intervention in partnership working.	4.1. Identify children's additional needs in relation to expected stages of development.	
	4.2. Describe the reasons for early intervention when meeting children's additional needs.	
	4.3. Explain strategies for early intervention.	
	4.4. Evaluate the principles of working in partnership with others to meet children's additional needs.	
5. Be able to support the additional needs of children.	5.1. Identify the individual needs of children in own setting.	
	5.2. Plan activities in partnership with others to meet children's additional needs.	
	5.3. Work in partnership with others to provide activities to meet children's additional needs.	
	5.4. Work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	5.5. Reflect on own practice in meeting children's additional needs.	
6. Be able to critically evaluate the provision for children with additional needs in own setting.	6.1. Critically evaluate the provision for children with additional needs in own setting.	

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**Additional information about the unit:**

Additional unit assessment requirements.

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## Unit 3.14: Use observation, assessment and planning to promote the development of children

**Unit reference** J/505/9828                      **Unit level** 3  
**Credit value** 5                                      **GLH** 37

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to use observation, assessment and planning to promote the development of children.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
1. Understand the role of observation when working with children.	1.1. Explain how observations are used: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to plan for individual children's needs</li> <li>• for early intervention</li> <li>• to review the environment</li> <li>• during transition</li> <li>• when working in partnership.</li> </ul>	
2. Understand observation methods.	2.1. Evaluate observation methods in relation to current frameworks.	
	2.2. Evaluate observation methods: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• event sample</li> <li>• time sample</li> <li>• sociogram</li> <li>• narrative / free description</li> <li>• target child</li> <li>• checklist</li> <li>• child tracker / movement record.</li> </ul>	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
3. Understand professional practice in relation to the observation of children.	3.1. Define the terms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• objectivity</li> <li>• subjectivity.</li> </ul>	
	3.2. Evaluate the reasons for objectivity when recording observations.	
	3.3. Evaluate the requirement for confidentiality during the observation process.	
4. Be able to carry out observations in own setting in line with current frameworks.	4.1. Observe in line with current frameworks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an individual child</li> <li>• a group of children</li> <li>• indoor provision</li> <li>• outdoor provision.</li> </ul>	
	4.2. Reflect on outcomes of observations carried out in own setting in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an individual child</li> <li>• a group of children</li> <li>• indoor provision</li> <li>• outdoor provision.</li> </ul>	
	4.3. Work with others to plan next steps in relation to the needs and interests of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an individual child</li> <li>• a group of children.</li> </ul>	
	4.4. Reflect on own role in meeting the needs and interests of children in own setting.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
5. Be able to work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.	5.1. Work with parents/carers in a way which encourages them to take an active role in their child's play, learning and development.	

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Additional unit assessment requirements.	This unit must be assessed in line with the EYE assessment strategy and principles.





## Unit 3.15: Use longitudinal studies to observe, assess and plan for children's needs

**Unit reference** L/505/9829 **Unit level** 3

**Credit value** 5 **GLH** 34

**Unit aim** This unit provides the learner with the knowledge, understanding and skills to carry out observations in order to assess and plan for children's changing needs over time.

<b>Learner name:</b>	<b>Centre no:</b>
<b>PIN:</b>	<b>ULN:</b>

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
<b>This unit must be assessed using the mandatory task</b>		
1. Understand the purpose of undertaking Longitudinal Studies.	1.1. Explain how a Longitudinal Study is used as an assessment tool.	
	1.2. Evaluate benefits of undertaking a Longitudinal Study for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the child</li> <li>• Early Years practitioners.</li> <li>• others.</li> </ul>	
2. Be able to use observations to assess and plan for the developmental needs of children in line with current frameworks.	2.1. Carry out a Longitudinal Study using methods of observation to assess the changing developmental needs of children.	
	2.2. Maintain records of observation, assessment and planning.	

<b>Learning outcomes</b> The learner will:	<b>Assessment criteria</b> The learner can:	<b>Evidence record</b> e.g. page number & method
	2.3. Evaluate observations in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• expected developmental stages</li> <li>• current frameworks</li> <li>• theoretical perspectives.</li> </ul>	
	2.4. Devise plans which meet the developmental needs and interests of children.	
	2.5. Implement plans which meet the developmental needs and interests of children.	
3. Be able to critically evaluate the outcomes of a Longitudinal Study.	3.1. Critically evaluate the outcomes of a Longitudinal Study.	

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## The Longitudinal Study

Unit 3.15 Use Longitudinal Studies to observe, assess and plan for children's needs.

This is a mandatory assessment task and will be graded as pass or refer. A checklist and mark scheme has been included in this guidance. Your tutor/assessor will use this to ensure that the assessment criteria have been met.

Knowledge, understanding and skills gained from other units from Theme 3 will support your work for the Longitudinal Study.

We have prepared some templates to support you as you undertake the Longitudinal Study which can be found in the Learner Handbook on our secure site.

### **Links to Unit 3.15 – assessment criteria 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 3.1**

Complete one (1) Longitudinal Study on an individual child in a **real** work environment. For the study observe, assess and plan across one (1) area of development. The following criteria must be met in full:

Select one (1) age range for the Longitudinal Study.

- 0 - 1 year 11 months
- 2 - 2 years 11 months
- 3 - 5 years.

Select one (1) area of development for the Longitudinal Study.

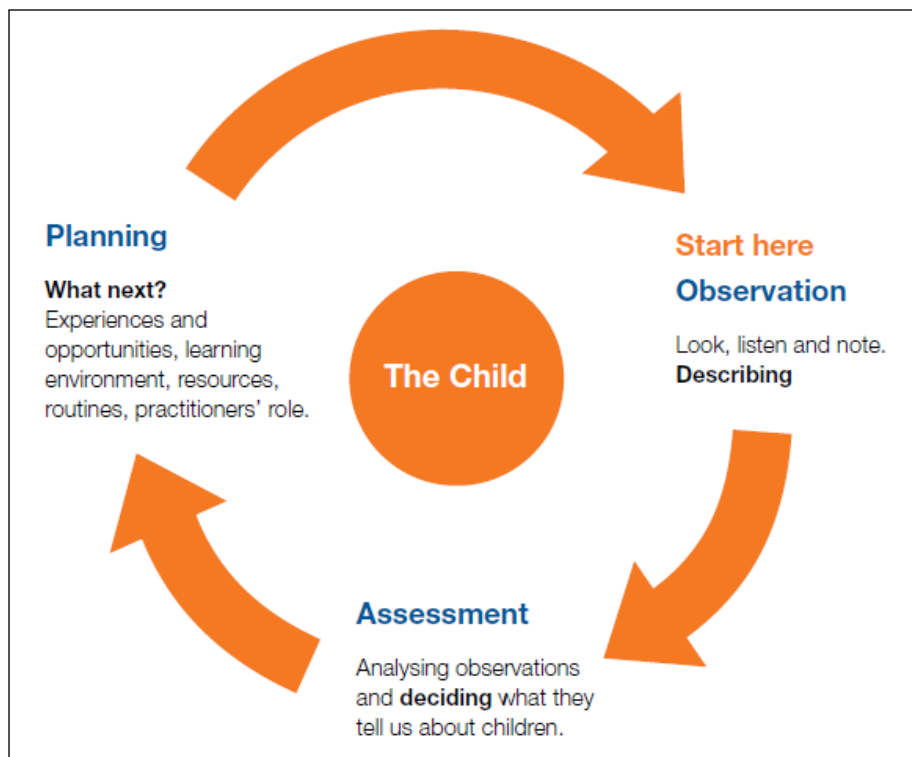
- cognitive
- physical
- speech, language and communication
- personal, social and emotional.

The observation, assessment and planning cycle should be followed when completing each observation:

#### **The observation, assessment and planning cycle**

- Complete an observation.
- Undertake a summative assessment.
- Plan for the child's next steps
- Implement the plan with the child and use this to inform the next observation.

<http://www.foundationyears.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/Development-Matters-FINAL-PRINT-AMENDED.pdf>



Undertake a minimum of four (4) observations, assessment and planning cycles for the Longitudinal Study over a six (6) week period.

Use a minimum of two (2) different observation methods for the Longitudinal Study, which have been learned about in Unit 3.14 and include:

- Event Sample
- Time Sample
- Sociogram
- Narrative/Free Description
- Target Child
- Checklist
- Child Tracker/Movement Record.

Example:

<b>Longitudinal Study</b> Child aged 1 year 6 months
Physical development - checklist
Narrative
Narrative
Checklist

All observations must be authentic. A signature from your assessor/tutor or placement supervisor must be included on each observation and planning sheet to ensure authenticity.

Maintain signed and dated records of observation, assessment and planning for the Longitudinal Study. You may wish to use the templates provided by us.

### **Completing the critical evaluation**

Refer to the mark scheme included in this guidance to support you as you complete the Longitudinal Study.

The Longitudinal Study must include a critical evaluation that considers the following:

- critically evaluate the outcomes of the Longitudinal Study in relation to:
  - child's development stage, interest and need
  - your own role
  - choice of assessment methods
  - current frameworks
  - theoretical perspectives
  - partnership working
  - holistic development
  - the environment
  - play for learning and development.
  
- introduce the critical evaluation with an:
  - explanation of how the longitudinal study has been used as an assessment tool
  - evaluation of the benefits of this Longitudinal Study for the child, early years practitioner and others.





## Longitudinal Study: Checklist for Completion

Learner Name:	
Learner PIN:	
Site / Centre No.:	

Criteria	Longitudinal Study	Assessor	IQA
Select one (1) age range for the Longitudinal Study. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0-1 year 11 months</li> <li>• 2-2 years 11 months</li> <li>• 3-5 years.</li> </ul>	Age selected.		
Select one (1) area of development for the Longitudinal Study. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cognitive</li> <li>• physical</li> <li>• speech, language and communication</li> <li>• personal, social and emotional.</li> </ul>	Area of development selected.		
Minimum of four (4) cycles of observation, assessment and planning for the Longitudinal Study over a six (6) week period.			
Minimum of two (2) different observation methods for the Longitudinal Study.			

Criteria	Longitudinal Study	Assessor	IQA
Maintain signed and dated records of the observation, assessment and planning cycles			

Critical evaluation	Mark scheme	Assessor	IQA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduce the Longitudinal Study with an explanation of how the Longitudinal Study has been used as an assessment tool.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detailed information is given to show how the Longitudinal Study has been used.</li> <li>• The information gives details (critically evaluates) how the Longitudinal Study has been used as an assessment tool.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The critical evaluation considers the benefits of the Longitudinal Study for:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the child</li> <li>- Early Years practitioner</li> <li>- others.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advantages as well as any gaps in the information provided by the Longitudinal Study are identified and critically evaluated in relation to the benefits for:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the child</li> <li>- the Early Years practitioner</li> <li>- others involved in the care and education of the child who is the focus of the Longitudinal Study.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The critical evaluation of the child's stage of development, interest/s and needs has been included.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The child's stage of development is described, explained and evaluated.</li> <li>• The child's interest/s are identified and evaluated.</li> <li>• The needs of the child are identified and evaluated.</li> </ul>		

Critical evaluation	Mark scheme	Assessor	IQA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The critical evaluation includes information surrounding your own role.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about how the Longitudinal Study was planned and undertaken is included.</li> <li>Own strengths and areas to build on when undertaking all aspects of the Longitudinal Study are identified and evaluated.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The critical evaluation includes information concerning the choice of assessment methods.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Each assessment method selected is evaluated by including information about the advantages and disadvantages of each method in relation to the usefulness of the information collated as part of the Longitudinal Study.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The critical evaluation includes information with regard to the appropriate current framework against which the child is being assessed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A critical evaluation of the information provided in the Longitudinal Study about the child's stage and needs is included in relation to current frameworks.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The critical evaluation includes information with regard to theoretical perspectives.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Theoretical perspectives are identified, described and evaluated.</li> <li>The Longitudinal Study includes a critical evaluation of the area of development selected for the study, the child's stage of development, interest/s and needs with regard to theoretical perspectives.</li> </ul>		

Critical evaluation	Mark scheme	Assessor	IQA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The critical evaluation includes information surrounding partnership working.</li> </ul>	<p>The Longitudinal Study is evaluated in relation to partnership working:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>others involved in the care and education of the child at the focus of the Longitudinal Study are identified</li> <li>the benefits of partnership working with those identified are explained and evaluated</li> <li>potential barriers to partnership working with those identified are explained and evaluated.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The critical evaluation includes information surrounding holistic development.</li> </ul>	<p>The child's needs are described and evaluated with regard to holistic development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>areas of development that were not chosen as the main focus for the Longitudinal Study are identified and explained in relation to the stage of development for the child, the interest/s of the child and the needs of the child.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The critical evaluation considers the environment.</li> </ul>	<p>The environment is critically evaluated with regard to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the physical environment:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the resources for learning and development and how well they meet the stage of development, interest/s and needs of the child.</li> </ul> </li> <li>the social, cultural and personal environment and how well they meet the stage of development, interest/s and needs of the child.</li> </ul>		

Critical evaluation	Mark scheme	Assessor	IQA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The critical evaluation considers play for learning and development.</li> </ul>	<p>The Longitudinal Study recognises the value of play for learning and development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the Longitudinal Study evaluates how the child uses play for learning and development</li> <li>the Longitudinal Study evaluates how the child's stage of development, interest/s and needs can be met through play for learning and development.</li> </ul>		



## **Section 4: Assessment and quality assurance information**

## Recommended assessment methods

A recommended range of assessment methods has been identified, which may be used for the units in these qualifications. This gives the opportunity for different learning styles and individual needs of learners to be taken into account.

If you are proposing to use an assessment method that is not included within the recommended list you should contact your External Quality Advisor with full details of your proposed method. It will need formal approval from us before it can be used.

Please refer to the notes relating to **Expert Witness testimony** and **simulation** which follow this table.

Ref	Assessment Method	Assessing Competence / Skills	Assessing Knowledge / Understanding
A	Direct observation of learner by assessor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>by an assessor who meets the relevant Sector Skills Council's or other assessment strategy/principles and includes inference of knowledge from this direct observation of practice</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes
B	Professional discussion	Yes	Yes
C	Expert Witness evidence* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>when directed by the Sector Skills Council or other assessment strategy/principles</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes
D	Learner's own work products	Yes	Yes
E	Learner log or reflective diary	Yes	Yes
F	Activity plan or planned activity	Yes	Yes
G	Observation of children, young people or adults by the learner	Yes	Yes
H	Portfolio of evidence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>may include simulation**</li> </ul>	Yes	Yes
I	Recognition of prior learning	Yes	Yes
J	Reflection on own practice in real work environment	Yes	Yes



Ref	Assessment Method	Assessing Competence / Skills	Assessing Knowledge / Understanding
K	Written and pictorial information	No	Yes
L	Scenario or case study	No	Yes
M	Task set by us (for knowledge learning outcomes)	No	Yes
N	Oral questions and answers	Yes	Yes

\* **Expert Witness testimony** should be used in line with the relevant assessment strategy/principles. This method must be used with professional discretion. Those providing an expert witness testimony must be lead practitioners with experience of making judgements around competence. The circumstances that may allow for an expert witness testimony include:

- to convey prior learning within a specific age range required for the completion of this qualification
- when assessment may cause distress to an individual, such as supporting a child with a specific need
- a rarely occurring situation, such as dealing with an accident or illness
- confidential situations, such as Safeguarding Strategy meetings, where it would be inappropriate for an assessor to observe the learner's performance.

\*\* **Simulation.** A learner's Portfolio of Evidence may only include simulation of skills where simulation is permitted by the relevant assessment strategy/principles.

## Early Years Educator qualifications assessment principles

### 1. Introduction

- 1.1. This document sets out those principles and approaches to unit/qualification assessment for qualifications approved by the National College for Teaching and Leadership (NCTL). The information is intended to support the quality assurance processes of those Awarding Organisations that offer EYE qualifications in the Sector. It should also be read alongside individual unit assessment requirements where appropriate.
- 1.2. These principles will ensure a consistent approach to those elements of assessment which require further interpretation and definition, and support sector confidence.

### 2. Assessment principles

- 2.1. Assessment decisions for **competence / skills based learning outcomes** must relate to experience gained in a real work environment.
- 2.2. Assessment decisions for competence / skills based learning outcomes must be made by an occupationally competent assessor, qualified to make assessment decisions.
- 2.3. Competence / skills based assessment must include direct observation as the main source of evidence
- 2.4. Simulation may only be utilised as an assessment method for competence based learning outcomes where this is specified in the assessment requirements by the individual Awarding Organisation.
- 2.5. Given the nature of work with children and their families, which may from time to time include sensitive situations requiring confidentiality/privacy, there may be a need to make use of an expert witness testimony as a source of performance evidence in the workplace. Expert witnesses can be drawn from experienced individuals who can attest to the learner's performance in the workplace. This may include line managers or other experienced colleagues from inside an organisation or from other agencies. This may prove particularly important for those learners who work unsupervised, but who have contact with a range of different professionals in the course of their work activities.

Expert witnesses must only be used for observation where they have occupational expertise for specialist areas or the observation is of a particularly sensitive nature. It is not necessary for expert witnesses to hold an assessor qualification, as a qualified assessor must assess the testimony provided by an expert witness when making summative assessment decisions.

- 2.6. Assessment of knowledge based learning outcomes may take place in or outside of a real work environment.

- 2.7. Assessment decisions for knowledge based learning outcomes must be made by an occupationally knowledgeable member of staff, qualified to make assessment decisions.

### 3. Internal Quality Assurance

- 3.1. Internal quality assurance is key to ensuring that the assessment of evidence for units is of a consistent and appropriate quality. Those carrying out internal quality assurance must be occupationally knowledgeable in the area they are assuring and be qualified to make quality assurance decisions.

### 4. Definitions

4.1. **Occupationally competent:**

This means that each assessor must be capable of carrying out the full requirements within the competency units they are assessing. Being occupationally competent means they are also occupationally knowledgeable. This occupational competence should be maintained through clearly demonstrable continuing learning and professional development.

4.2. **Occupationally knowledgeable:**

This means that each assessor should possess relevant knowledge and understanding, and be able to assess this in units designed to test specific knowledge and understanding, or in units where knowledge and understanding are components of competency. This occupational knowledge should be maintained through clearly demonstrable continuing learning and professional development.

4.3. **Qualified to make assessment decisions:**

This means that each assessor must hold a qualification suitable to support the making of appropriate and consistent assessment decisions. Awarding Organisations will determine what will qualify those making assessment decisions according to the unit of competence under assessment.

4.4. **Qualified to make quality assurance decisions:**

Awarding Organisations will determine what qualifications and/or experience is required in relation to the:

- role of the assessor for knowledge bases assessment criteria
- role of the assessor for skills/competence based assessment criteria
- role of the Internal Quality Assurer.

4.5. **Expert witness:**

Evidence from expert witnesses must meet the tests of validity, reliability and authenticity. Expert witnesses will need to demonstrate:

- they have a working knowledge of the units on which their expertise is based
- they are occupationally competent in their area of expertise
- they have EITHER any qualification in assessment of workplace performance OR a professional work role which involves evaluating the everyday practice of staff

- they have current or recent (within the last 2 years) experience of working at or above the level for which they are attesting competence
- they can demonstrate appropriate, continuous professional development relevant to the sector for which they are attesting competence
- that they have no conflict of interest in the outcome of the evidence.

## Section 5: Documents

### Useful documents

This section refers to useful documents that can be found on our secure site, some of which may assist with the delivery of this qualification.

- Delivering our Qualifications – Assessment and Internal Quality Assurance Guidance
- Tutor Guidance (this includes assessment guidance and assessment tasks)
- Learner Handbook

### Mandatory documents

The completion of 'Evidence Record' and 'Record of Assessment Cycle' forms is **mandatory**. We have devised templates for your convenience; however, you may design your own forms which comply with the content of the templates.

- Evidence Record
- Record of Assessment Cycle

We have also provided notes to guide you when completing these forms:

- Completing the Evidence Record
- Completing the Record of Assessment Cycle

**Your tutor/assessor will provide this paperwork for you.**



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