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# Early Years Essentials

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# Delivery

## Delivery Method

- Tailored interview preparation with Employability Coaches
- Specific information, advice and guidance to contribute to each individual's progression
- Work experience within an early years setting
- 4 teaching days within a two-week period delivered by a sector expert with a wealth of experience within our academy.
- Opportunities to meet local providers with the prospect to secure employment following an arranged interview
- Individualised mapping to tailor the course to allow for learner and employer specific support

## Role Profile

The pre-apprenticeship assessment centre is designed to introduce emerging practitioners into the world of work and the vibrant and stimulating Early Years sector. This is the ideal starting point for inspiring practitioners who have minimal or no experience of working within the Early Years sector. Individuals on this qualification will be passionate about making a difference to the service users within the care sector and will exude compassion and dedication to supporting individual's needs.



### **Practitioners will be expected to:**

- Plan activities in line with supporting development using national curriculums
- Understand and use the Early Years Foundation Stage
- Show awareness of working conducts within the care sector
- Identify employment rights and responsibilities
- Show awareness of safeguarding, be able to identify the four signs of abuse, and know how to respond effectively to concerns.

### **Typical job roles**

- Nursery practitioner
- Classroom assistant
- Pre-school practitioner

# Assessment

Early Years Essentials is assessed through knowledge assignments only. The knowledge taught and assessed, contribute to the initial core profile of an introduction to working within the Early Years sector. Work trial feedback and classroom skills will be used to create a tailored learning experience.

Additionally, to the knowledge criteria, learners will be assessed for holistic skills compared to the role profile for working in the Early Years sector, which include teamwork, integrity and dedication.

During the assessment process, providing requirements have been met during the five-week duration and employment has been secured. Progression from the Early Years Essentials will be to continue on to the NCFE CACHE Level 2 Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner, and on to full time work within a Early Years provision.

Topics covered during the Early Years Essentials Assessment Centre include:

- Employability knowledge and skills
- EYFS overview
- Activity planning
- Implementing and supporting child and adult led activities
- Whole child approach
- Legislations
- Safeguarding
- Prevent Duty
- Fundamental British Values
- The importance of communication and teamwork
- Underpinning sector specific skills and behaviours
- Bespoke training needs

Introduction

**Regular Learning progress review and assessment**

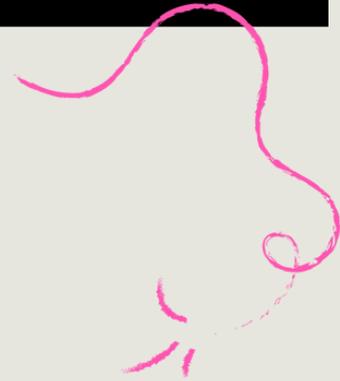
Career support with Employability Coaches, Work experience in Nursery settings, meet local Early Years providers, tailored assessment to provide individualised learning.

**Early Years Essentials**

2 days a week for 2 weeks with a sector expert covering the Expert Years Essentials. Providing information, advice and guidance to contribute to each individual's progression.

Learner graduation

**Duration: 5 weeks 4 days in classroom**



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