

Apprenticeships

Level 2

Early Years Practitioner

Apprenticeship Code: ST0888

Sector: Childcare

Length of Delivery

Up to 18 months.

Entry Requirements

Employers can set their own entry requirements; however, learners must be of the right calibre and committed to achieve all components of their apprenticeship.

About the Role

An Early Years Practitioner works as part of a professional team ensuring the welfare and care for children under the guidance and supervision of an Early Years Educator, teacher or other suitably qualified professional the Early Years Workforce.

What Apprentices need to learn

Apprentices need to complete 20% off-the-job training during the on-programme phase of their apprenticeship. Early Years Practitioners will learn the skills, knowledge and behaviours to perform some of but not limited to the following duties:

- Use play to support children to understand and encourage healthy life choices.
- Identify issues of safeguarding and child protection, ensuring that the welfare and safety of children is promoted and safeguarded and to report any child protection concerns to the person in charge.
- Undertake specific tasks related to the safety and hygiene of the children and the cleanliness of the setting.
- Communicate and engage with children to support their learning and development.
- Support the collection of accurate and up-to-date records which identify children's individual needs, abilities and progress and use these as a basis for future planning.

Please go to the Institute of Apprenticeships website for further detail on the standard and assessment www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/early-years-practitioner/

End Point Assessment (EPA): how apprentices achieve their qualification

Apprentices on an Apprenticeship Standard are required to complete an End Point Assessment (EPA) to achieve their qualification. The end point assessment is designed to assess the knowledge, skills and behaviours gained are sufficient to be awarded the Standard. The EPA consists of a knowledge test and professional discussion.

In order to pass, the apprentice must have achieved:

- Early Years Practitioner (Level 2)
- Apprentices without level 1 English and maths will need to achieve this level and apprentices without level 2 English and maths will need to take the tests for this level prior to taking the end point assessment.

Progression Opportunities

Early Years Educator Level 3 Standard

Next Stage

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