

# **Level 3 Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship**







The Level 3 TA Apprenticeship is an 18 month apprenticeship with an end point assessment.

#### Who is it suitable for:

The apprenticeship is aimed at Teaching Assistants within primary and secondary schools. However, it is suitable for other individuals working in a school setting who are working with children aged between 5-19 years e.g. Learning Support Assistants and Specialist Support Assistants.

Teaching Assistants are active members of the team supporting the teacher and other teaching assistants through daily activities. This includes implementing planned lessons and activities, supporting observations, keeping children safe, supporting and following health and safety practices, and communicating with others.

A Level 3 Teaching Assistant is a good role model, acting with honesty and integrity, taking part in team meetings; contributing to planning and class activities, promoting Fundamental British Values through spiritual, moral, social, and cultural development and positive behaviours.

### The Apprenticeship Programme:

Throughout the length of the apprenticeship the apprentice will receive ongoing learning and support from their assessor and employer to meet the requirements of the apprenticeship standards.

### **End Point Assessment (EPA):**

An independent End Point Assessment Organisation (EPAO) is appointed to assess the apprentice and verify that they meet all aspects of the standards. This will involve a professional discussion, an observation, as well as a review of the evidence collected during the apprenticeship training year.

Upon successful completion apprentices are graded: Pass or Distinction.



# What will your school get out of offering a Level 3 Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship?

- You can retain valued members of staff, upskilling them to Level 3 Teaching Assistants.
- Teaching Assistants who can contribute to the implementation of learning activities and work in partnership with teachers to deliver lesson plans and objectives. Level 3 Teaching Assistants will be able to evaluate the performance of lesson plans and help to improve for the future and work independently in teaching groups and individual activities.

## What does my school need to commit to?

- Apprentices must have 20% off-the-job learning. Off-the-job training must be directly relevant to the apprenticeship standard and teach them the skills, knowledge and behaviours required for their role.
- Provision of an in-school supervisor/mentor.

## What qualification can the Apprenticeship lead to?

As well as ensuring full competency as a Teaching Assistant, this standard provides foundation for potential progression into a number of career paths in the Educational sector including Higher Level Teaching Assistant and Teacher.



# Eligibility

- Apprentices need GCSEs at grades 4 and above (Grade C and above), including English Language and Maths or alternatively will need to complete their Functional Skills as part of the course.
- Apprentices will need to attend the YHTT training for weekly study sessions

## What about the cost?

The cost to train an apprentice with us is £7000. The apprenticeships are fully funded so there is no cost to either the employer or the apprentice.

If your school (or local authority) contributes to the apprenticeship levy fund you can access your fund contributions through your Apprenticeship Service Account. You can use this service to manage the funds you have available for apprenticeship training in England.

**If your school does not contribute to the apprenticeship levy fund** you will pay 5% towards the cost of the training for your apprentice. The remaining 95% will be paid by the government.



