

TEACHING ASSISTANT

£ Funding Band: 8 (£5,000)
🕒 Duration: 18 months
📊 Level: 3
★ LARS: 297
🏷️ Standard N°: ST0454

1. THE APPRENTICESHIP

A Teaching Assistant works in Primary, Special and Secondary education across all age ranges encompassing special educational needs and emotional vulnerabilities. The primary role of a learner undertaking a Teaching Assistant apprenticeship is to support the lead class teacher in enhancing a pupil's learning either via groups or individually. They will be required to ensure pupils understand the work set, have an adequate understanding of their learning objectives and help pupils to stay on task in order to make progress in the learning environment.

Apprentices will learn how to promote self-belief, social inclusion and understand how a high level of self-esteem plays an integral part to a pupil's well-being, ensuring pupils thrive in a positive, nurturing and safe environment.



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2. ON-PROGRAMME

The Apprentice must have completed all on-programme elements in order to begin End-Point Assessment:



Functional Skills*
Level 2 English and Maths



20%
Off-the-Job Training



Portfolio of Evidence
with Mapping and Tracking Form

Functional Skills*
All Level 3 or higher Apprenticeship Standards require the Apprentice to have successfully completed Level 2 Functional Skills in both English and maths qualifications (or equivalent) in order to progress through Gateway to undertake End-Point Assessment.

3. GATEWAY

In order to enter the Gateway phase, the Apprentice will need to have achieved all the relevant Knowledge, Skills and Behaviours set out in the Apprenticeship Standard. After a meeting between the Apprentice, Employer and Training Provider, it will be the Employer's decision to place an Apprentice through End-Point Assessment.

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Resources

Training Qualifications UK has developed a range of resources for this Apprenticeship Standard to help the On-Programme Assessor and Apprentice to understand and complete Gateway and each End-Point Assessment component.



As an End-Point Assessment Organisation (EPAO), Training Qualifications UK is required to see evidence of an Apprentice completing the relevant Functional Skills qualification assessments where necessary in order to verify Gateway requirements have been met. To find out what evidence Training Qualifications UK will accept for this Apprenticeship Standard, see our **Level 3 or Higher Apprenticeship Functional Skills guidance** on Verve EPA under the Support Materials.

4. END-POINT ASSESSMENT

The synoptic End-Point Assessment will consist of **two** components. In order to pass the apprenticeship, the Apprentice is required to pass each component:



Practical Observation

The Practical Observation consists of four 30-minute observation sessions, for a total of 120 minutes (+10% variance) observed. The End-Point Assessor will observe the Apprentice performing a range of their normal work duties.

The Practical Observation will be followed by a 15-minute (+10% variance) question and answer session. Questions asked will relate to criteria which could not be met naturally during the observation period.

★ Distinction, Pass or Fail



Professional Discussion

The Professional Discussion is a structured, two-way discussion between the Apprentice and their End-Point Assessor.

The discussion will be supported by a Portfolio of Evidence which the Apprentice will submit at Gateway.

The Professional Discussion will last 90 minutes (+10% at the End-Point Assessor's discretion).

★ Distinction, Pass or Fail

5. GRADING

Once the **two** assessment components are completed, the Apprentice will be provided with an overall grade for their apprenticeship using the following grading table:

Practical Observation	Professional Discussion	GRADE
Pass	Pass	Pass
	Distinction	Pass
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	Distinction	Distinction

6. APPRENTICESHIP CERTIFICATION

Once the End-Point Assessor verifies the Apprentice has successfully completed all the End-Point Assessment components, Training Qualifications UK will initiate the certification process. Working with the Education & Skills Funding Agency, we will ensure the Apprentice receives their certificate in recognition of completing their apprenticeship.

Progression: Successful Apprentices have many additional avenues which can enhance their training and skill set.

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Why choose Training Qualifications UK?

We're an End-Point Assessment Organisation for the 21st Century. While some are happy with traditional methods, we look for new ways of working to push the industry, our customers and their Apprentices forwards. We do this with a personalised approach to account management built around your needs, quick and responsive service that aims to respond to enquiries within 24 hours, and innovation that delivers efficiency through technology.

With us, you'll get:

1. Expert, tailored End-Point Assessment support
2. Assessor and Apprentice learning resources
3. Access to our straightforward Apprentice management system, Verve EPA
4. A clear and fair pricing structure
5. Marketing and social media support to share your success

More Information

For more information on this Apprenticeship Standard, visit [The Institute for Apprenticeships](https://www.theinstitute.org.uk/). Already working with Training Qualifications UK? Contact your dedicated Client Relationship Officer to find out more about this Standard and others. If you're new to Training Qualifications UK, you can get in touch through the below channels.

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