



Apprenticeships

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you think**

**Early Years Educator
Apprenticeship
(Level 3)**

Early Years Educators are highly trained professionals who play a key role in ensuring that young children learn and develop well and are kept healthy and safe.

This is a vital role in enabling contact between children and their families to be successful. You will work alongside Child and Family Workers, parents and children in care or on the edge of care and develop a knowledge of child development and also an understanding of child/parent relationships.

What will I do in this job role?

Whilst the day-to-day tasks will be determined by the specific team that you are assigned to, examples of the duties of an Early Years Educator apprentice could include the following:

- Planning and supervising child initiated and adult led activities which are based around the needs and interests of each individual child.
- Supporting children to develop numeracy and language skills through games and play.
- Support parents and carers to ensure each child feels safe and secure when seeing their parents for supervised Family Time.
- Observing each child and shaping their learning experience to reflect their observations.
- Supporting parents to meet the needs of the individual child such as feeding, changing nappies and administration of medicine.
- Working in partnership with other colleagues, parents and/or carers or other professionals to meet the individual needs of each child.

What are the entry requirements for this apprenticeship?

The entry requirements for this apprenticeship are:

- 5 x GCSEs at Grade A*-C / 4 or above (or equivalent) including maths and English.

In addition we are looking for candidates who have:

- A 'can do' attitude.
- A keen interest in supporting children and their personal development and wellbeing.
- A willingness to learn.
- The ability to work in a team environment.
- The ability to communicate effectively with a range of people.
- To be resilient and be able to work in a non-judgemental way with families where issues such as substance misuse, neglect, domestic abuse are part of their every day life and where children and young people may have been abused.

What qualifications will I achieve?

- Level 3 Early Years Educator Apprenticeship.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed in a variety of ways which could include:

- On the job observations.
- Evidence of your duties / tasks performed.
- Reports from Mentors and Managers.
- Production of an electronic portfolio.
- Production of a number of assignments.
- An end point assessment will also take place on completion of the qualification.

How do I find further information about this apprenticeship?

You can find further information about this apprenticeship at:

**[instituteofapprenticeships.org/
apprenticeship-standards/
early-years-educator/](https://instituteofapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/early-years-educator/)**

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