

TEACHING ASSISTANT LEVEL 3



Blended learning
Including day courses



Course duration
15 months (18 months with Apprenticeship Assessment)



EPA Organisation
Training Qualifications UK



Training time
Approx. 39 sessions



Funded learning
Funded via the Apprenticeship Levy



Apprenticeship level 3

OVERVIEW

Teaching Assistants support classroom teachers in enhancing students' learning individually or in groups, ensuring pupils understand tasks, know their objectives, and stay on track. They foster self-esteem, social inclusion, and self-belief, promoting wellbeing in a safe, nurturing environment. They work across all grades and age ranges, including with pupils who have special needs or those who are emotionally vulnerable.

They actively assist learners in accessing the curriculum, take part in class meetings, serve as role models, act with integrity, and contribute to planning and activities. They promote fundamental British values and support pupils' spiritual, moral, social, and cultural growth to improve performance and development.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- As an apprentice, you will have approximately 39 educator sessions throughout the duration of your apprenticeship.
- You will see your educator every 2 weeks for your online sessions. These appointments are to discuss your progress, assign you tasks and prepare you for your apprenticeship assessment.
- There are four mandatory day courses that you must attend as part of your apprenticeship. The topics are:
 - Understanding how pupils learn and develop.
 - Assessment for learning.
 - Keeping children safe in education.
 - Communication and teamwork.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Individual employers may set their own entry requirements. The apprentice must already be employed for over 16 hours per week.

- If a candidate is 16-18 they must have achieved maths and English at Level 2 prior to completion of the course. This is something that can be completed with us if needed.
- If a candidate is 19+ and hasn't achieved in Maths and English GCSE before enrolling, it is up to the employer to decide whether these qualifications should be attempted.
- The candidate must be employed in a suitable role.

TYPICAL JOB ROLES

- Teaching Assistant
- Learning Support Assistant
- Specialist Support Assistant
- Support for Specialist Curriculum Areas

COURSE CONTENT

Pupil Learning & Development

Understand how pupils learn and develop, motivate them to problem-solve, and build positive relationships while embracing change.

Curriculum & Assessment

Work with teachers to support and accurately assess learning, develop strategies for the curriculum, and add value to education through active contribution.

Safeguarding & Wellbeing

Keep children safe in education and promote equality, diversity, and inclusion.

Technology & Innovation

Use technology effectively in teaching and learning.

Professional Skills

Communicate effectively and work well in a team, collaborate and engage with colleagues, and maintain professional standards with personal accountability.

EMPLOYER & LEARNER SATISFACTION

97%

of Apprentices would recommend us*

99%

of Employers would recommend us*

APPRENTICESHIP ASSESSMENT

The apprenticeship assessment includes:

- A face to face 2-hour practical observation (four 30-minute sessions).
- 15-minute Q&A.
- Professional discussion supported by a portfolio of evidence.

YOUR COMPLETE CAREER PATHWAY



ADDED VALUE - FREE ENDORSED COURSE - SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH SEND

This endorsed course develops the skills, knowledge, and behaviours to support children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). You will apply SEND policies and procedures while building confidence and the ability to positively influence outcomes. In order to complete this course, your role will need some exposure/experience with children with additional needs.

The course covers understanding SEND behaviours, using tailored strategies and adapted communication to promote independence and life skills, creating nurturing environments, adapting the curriculum, and collaborating with professional services, schools, and parents.

What are the benefits?

- Gain specialist SEND expertise to enhance your employability
- Apply practical strategies to improve pupil outcomes
- Support career progression in education and SEN roles
- Develop collaboration skills with teachers, professionals, and families

