



Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Diploma

in Children's Learning and Development (Early Years Educator)

QN: 601/2963/3 | Guided Learning Hours (GLH): 331 | Credits: 64

The Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Diploma in Children's Learning and Development (Early Years Educator) is for learners who work in, or want to work with children in Early Years settings in England only.

It gives learners the opportunity to:

- demonstrate competence as an Early Years Educator, Child minder or Nursery Nurse
- develop knowledge and skills related to the specified job roles in early years education.
- have existing skills recognised
- achieve a nationally-recognised Level 3 qualification
- develop their own personal growth and engagement in learning

The aim of this qualification is to introduce knowledge around areas relating to working with early years. To achieve the qualification, learners must successfully achieve all mandatory units outlined below.

- Unit 1:** Understand Children's Early Years Education and Development
- Unit 2:** Implementing Early Years Foundation Stage
- Unit 3:** Diversity, Equality and Inclusion in Early Years Settings
- Unit 4:** Plan and Provide Effective Teaching and Learning in Early Years Settings
- Unit 5:** Make Accurate and Productive Use of Assessment in Early Years Settings
- Unit 6:** Develop Effective and Informed Professional Practice in Early Years Settings
- Unit 7:** Promote the Health, Safety and Well-being of Children in Early Years Settings
- Unit 8:** Child Protection and Safeguarding
- Unit 9:** Partnership Working in Early Years

Learners will also complete optional units:

- Unit 10:** Understanding How to Promote Play and Learning in the Early Years
- Unit 19:** Support Children at Meal or Snack Times
- Unit 20:** Care for the Physical and Nutritional Needs of Babies and Young Children

To achieve the qualification the learner must gather a Portfolio of Evidence that shows that they have met the required standard specified in the assessment criteria as well as the requirements of the Early Years Educator Qualifications Assessment Principles.



The evidence for this qualification can take a variety of forms:

- direct **observation** of the learner's performance by their assessor
- products of the **learner's work**
- personal statements/**reflective accounts**
- **professional discussion**
- assignment, project/**case studies**, among others

Delivery:

This is a work based qualification, aimed to be completed within 4 to 6 months via the below methods:

- ★ Classroom Teaching and Learning Sessions
- ★ One to One Sessions with your assessor
- ★ Observations in the workplace
- ★ Independent study and research
- ★ Paper-based and/or digital resources

Successful learners could progress onto Pearson Edexcel Level 5 Diploma in Leadership for Health and Social Care and Children's Services (England) which contains six pathways, including three that may be appropriate progression, 'Children's Residential Management', 'Children's Management' and 'Children's Advanced Practice'.

Funding subject to eligibility criteria:

Aged 19+

Living within GMCA postcode

Having resided in the UK for more than 3 years

Learners without a full Level 3 qualification **OR** Learners that hold a full Level 3 qualification or higher and earn below £31,600

Must be employed within the sector

Must not currently be in receipt of government funding for another qualification

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