



Early Years Practitioner (Childcare) - Level 2

This Early Years Practitioner (EYP) apprenticeship is perfect for individuals working in a beginner position or who are just starting their journey in the early years or childcare industry. It is particularly useful for those who interact with children daily and assist in the planning and execution of activities.

Imagine being an Early Years Practitioner (EYP), where every day you get to engage directly with children, creating a vibrant world of activities and purposeful play opportunities. Each day is an opportunity to shape young minds within the distinctive ethos of the setting. As an EYP, you're not alone - you're part of a passionate team of professionals, always ensuring the children's welfare and care are top priorities. Under the mentorship and supervision of an Early Years Educator, teacher, or other seasoned professionals in the early years workforce, you'll learn, grow, and contribute immensely to this rewarding field.

As an Early Years Practitioner (EYP), you'll have the exciting responsibility of fostering both child-initiated and adult-led activities. Each activity will be uniquely tailored, reflecting the needs and interests of every individual child you support. As part of a dedicated team, your role is vital in creating an environment where each child feels safe and secure, ready to explore and grow.

But your role doesn't stop there. You'll be the observant eyes that assess each child's progress, contributing valuable insights to their learning experiences. You'll also be the helping hands that assist with the care needs of each child, ensuring that they are well looked after. Your contribution as an EYP makes every child's journey a truly enriching and personalized experience.

Duration

12 - 18 months.

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What you will learn

- Support the positive behaviour of children and young people and create positive environments.
- Understanding how to safeguard young children and the importance of health and safety.
- Learn how to develop relationships and work in partnership with others.
- Support children and young people during meals and snacks.
- Understand how to plan and deliver purposeful play activities for children.

How it's delivered

- A series of lectures and workshops (delivered weekly, face to face) and/or remote learning.
- 4 weekly workplace visits.

Progression

- Early Years Educator (Childcare) - Level 3
- Paediatric First Aid - Level 3.



What are the entry requirements?

- Aged 16+
- To undertake this apprenticeship you must be working in a childcare setting.
- You must hold five GCSEs (grade 9 - 3) or alternatively, you should have achieved a Level 1 in English and Maths during the preliminary assessment or already possess functional skills in these two subjects.

Why choose an apprenticeship?

- Earn while you learn.
- Apply classroom learning directly to real-world situations.
- Work alongside experienced professionals and build invaluable networks.
- Avoid the financial burden of traditional university routes with fully funded training.

Career path

In addition to assuring your complete proficiency as an Early Years Practitioner, this apprenticeship sets a strong foundation for various potential career advancements or apprenticeships in the educational sector. Possibilities include roles such as Early Years Educator, Teaching Assistant, Learning and Skills Assessor, Mentor, or Teacher.