

MATHS AND ENGLISH

FUNCTIONAL SKILLS QUALIFICATIONS (FSQs)

Learners aged 19 and above

- If you hold maths and English GCSE's at Grade 4 or C and above or FSQs Level 2, and have evidence of this, you are not required to complete FSQs
- If you don't have the above grades, the requirements for FSQs are now **optional** for adult apprentices at the start of their apprenticeship
- You will have a discussion with your employer and training provider as part of your initial assessment to decide whether or not you will study towards maths and/or English FSQs
- If it is decided that you will study FSQs, you will receive the necessary training to prepare you for the assessments
- You must attempt the assessment, but you are not required to pass them in order to take your End Point Assessment

Learners aged 16-18 on Level 2 apprenticeships

- If you don't hold Level 1 (Functional Skills Level 1 or GCSE D to G or 3-1) or Level 2 (Functional Skills Level 2 or GCSE A* to C or 9-4):
 1. You must study towards and achieve maths and English qualifications of at least Level 1
 2. Once Level 1 is achieved, you must work towards Level 2 maths and/or English where there is sufficient time left within your apprenticeship
 3. You do not need to attempt the Level 2 assessment unless your training provider is satisfied that you are ready to sit an assessment
- If you do already hold Level 1 qualifications:
 1. You must start, continue to study and pass the assessment for a Level 2 maths and/or English qualification. This must be completed before you take the End Point Assessment

Learners aged 16-18 on Level 3 or higher apprenticeships

- It is a requirement that apprentices on Level 3 or higher apprenticeships hold or achieve Level 2 qualifications in maths and English before they take their End Point Assessment
- If you hold maths and English GCSE's at Grade 4 or C and above or FSQs Level 2, and have evidence of this, you are not required to complete FSQs
- You will start your learning at one level above that which you have been assessed at

Adjustments are available for those with an EHCP, legacy statement or those whose primary language is BSL

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