

21st Century TA

Online blended learning for Teaching Assistants

If you work as a Teaching Assistant supporting children's learning you may be interested in 21st Century TA. This online training programme has been designed and written with your role in mind, enabling you to develop some very specific skills that will make your input to children's learning even more effective.



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This course will allow you to build on your existing knowledge and skills. You will learn about the key aspects of the process of learning and you will explore how your words and actions can impact the learner.

Children with special needs are the focus for one part of the course whilst positive behaviour management is a key aspect of another. Issues of legal frameworks and safeguarding children are explored. This is combined with practical information and support in relation to helping you develop and build the sound basic skills you require to do the job.



Benefits of this online course include:

- Learning activities are designed so that most of the learning takes place in the classroom
- Tutor support
- Flexible timescale
- Quick and easy access
- Modules are designed to be interactive allowing you to communicate and reflect with others
- Fully accredited (Cache Level 2 or 3 NVQ/QCF)
- Access to online resource library



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Course Structure

There are seven core modules. Each module contains a number of topics and each topic is introduced and its relevance explained. Each of the modules has been developed to give you an introduction into specific areas that you may encounter as a teaching assistant and would benefit from understanding more about.

The modules within the course can be taken in any order depending on your own preference.

There are also a number of optional modules as well which can be taken in conjunction with the core modules or on their own as part of your CPD.

Core Modules

Child Development
Schools as Organisations
Supporting Teaching & Learning
Health, Safety & Safeguarding
Promoting Positive Behaviour
Relationships & Communication
Equality & Diversity

Optional Modules

Personal Care
The Learning Environment
Supporting Pupils with Behavioural Difficulties
Lunchtime Supervision
Transition & Resilience
Introduction to SEN and Disabilities
Supporting Bilingual Learners
Providing Bilingual Support



Course Accreditation

This course leads to a Cache Level 2 or 3 NVQ/QCF



Course Duration

The modules have been designed for you to work through at your own pace, although it is expected that you will complete the course within 12 months. There may be an area in which you are very competent and you may only need to be reminded of good practice. There may be areas or topics that are particularly challenging and you may want to spend more time developing your skills and testing yourself to your satisfaction.