

Highfield **Level 5** End-Point Assessment for ST0551 **Early Years** **Lead Practitioner v1.0**



Government funding band – **£8,000**



On-programme duration – **typically 24 months**



Gateway requirements – **level 2 English and maths (optional for +19, please see funding rules), submission of a portfolio of evidence and 500-word case study scoping document**



End-point assessment method – **observation with questions, professional discussion underpinned by portfolio, case study with report and presentation and questioning**

Overview of the standard:

Early Years Lead Practitioners are highly skilled professionals who take an operational lead for the care, learning and development of all young children within their care, adapting to individual needs providing inclusive and holistic provision. The broad purpose of the occupation is to be a proactive and influential practitioner, working directly with children, skillfully leading day to day practice at an operational level.

In their daily work, an employee in this occupation interacts with children from birth to eight years, families, practitioners, other professionals and appropriate agencies. They engage with sector developments both locally and nationally, with a commitment to developing their own professional and educational competencies.

The programme's structure

Your apprentice will be placed in a role for typically over 24 months during which they will be supported while on-programme by their tutor. Their tutor will review the progress of the apprentice against the standard to ensure they are prepared for the end-point assessment.

Your apprentice's journey



Ready for training

- Initial assessment
- English and math training
- On-programme training to meet the requirements of the standard
- Gateway readiness self-assessment

Set for assessment on completion of training and functional skills

End-point assessment methods are:

Observation with questions:

- 60-minute (+10%) observation based on a session plan
- 30-minute (+10%) questioning with a minimum of 7 questions

Professional discussion underpinned by a portfolio:

- 60-minute (+10%) discussion between the apprentice and end-point assessor
- minimum of 6 questions, based on the content of the portfolio of evidence

Case study with report and presentation and questioning:

- 4,000-word (+/-10%) case study report to be completed within 12 weeks
- based on work done with an individual child or group of children
- 40-minute presentation and questioning (+10%) with a minimum of 4 questions

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By the end of this apprenticeship the candidate will be a proactive and influential practitioner.

Available support

On-programme support

- Delivery resources
- Tutor support resource
- Innovative and multi-device e-learning courses

End-point assessment support

- Gateway and mock assessments
- Bespoke end-point assessment solutions
- Progression tracking system
- Staff training, standardisation and support



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