

Further Education and Skills in England 2013 Qualifications for Teachers and Trainers

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Overview of the Education and Training qualifications

Level 3 Award in Education and Training (QCF) 12 credits

3 mandatory credits Level 3	9 optional credits Level 3
No minimum teaching practice requirement, but there is a minimum microteaching requirement	

Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training (QCF) 36 credits

21 mandatory credits Level 3 and 4	15 optional credits Level 3 and 4
A minimum practice requirement of 30 hours teaching 3 assessed observations of teaching	

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training (QCF) 120 credits

75 mandatory credits Level 4 and 5	45 optional credits Level 4 and 5
A minimum practice requirement of 100 hours teaching 8 assessed observations of teaching	

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training (QCF) including specialist pathway 120 credits (135 credits for combined pathway)

75 mandatory credits Level 4 and 5	45 credits in one of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• English (Literacy)• English (ESOL)• English (Literacy and ESOL)• Mathematics (Numeracy)• Teaching Disabled Learners
A minimum practice requirement of 100 hours teaching, 50 of which must be in the specialist area 8 assessed observations of teaching, 4 in specialist area	

The combined pathway in English (Literacy and ESOL), is 135 credits with 60 credits in the specialist areas, and has different practice requirements.

Overview of the Education and Training qualifications

Level 5 integrated specialist diplomas

120 credits

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training
(English: Literacy)

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training
(English: ESOL)

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training
(English: Literacy and ESOL)

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training
(Mathematics: Numeracy)

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training
(Disabled Learners)

Level 5 standalone specialist diplomas

45 credits

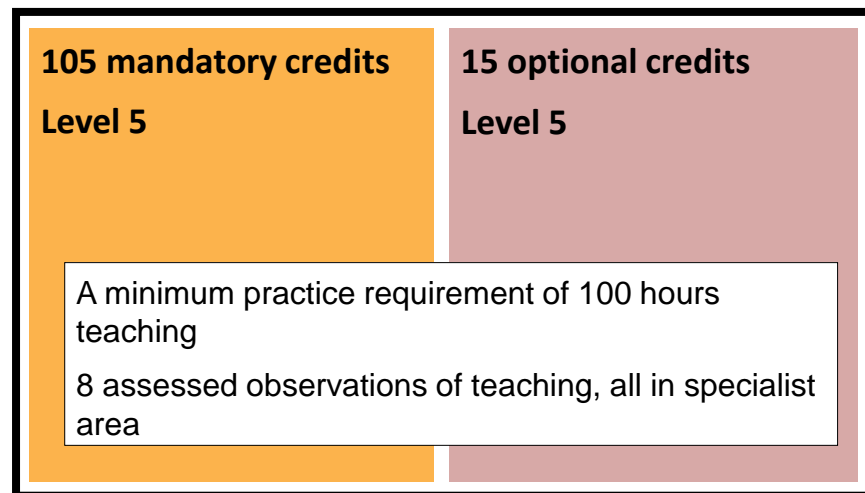
Level 5 Diploma in Teaching English: Literacy

Level 5 Diploma in Teaching English: ESOL

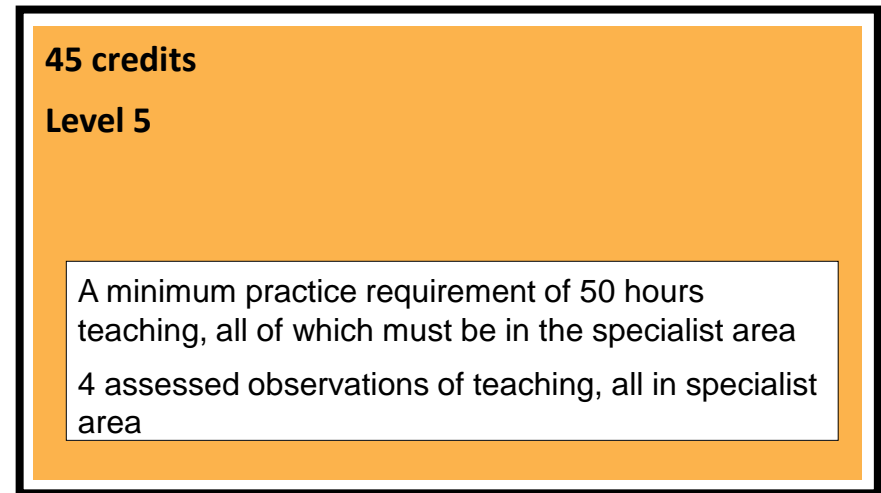
Level 5 Diploma in Teaching English: Literacy
and ESOL

Level 5 Diploma in Teaching Mathematics:
Numeracy

Level 5 Diploma in Teaching Disabled
Learners



This qualification, covering two specialist areas, is 135 credits and all of the credits are mandatory. It has different practice requirements.



This qualification, covering two specialist areas, is 60 credits. It has different practice requirements.

Generic teaching qualifications

Level 3 Award in Education and Training (QCF) – 12 credits

Mandatory

3 credits
Level 3

Group A - 3 credits

Understanding roles, responsibilities and relationships in education and training

Restricted optional

9 credits
Level 3

Group B - 6 credits

Understanding and using inclusive approaches in education and training
or
Facilitate learning and development for individuals (L&D unit)
or
Facilitate learning and development in groups (L&D unit)

AND

Group C - 3 credits

Understanding the principles and practices of assessment (L&D unit) **or**
Understanding assessment in education and training

Generic teaching qualifications

Level 4 Certificate in Education and Training (QCF) – 36 credits

Mandatory

21 credits

Level 3 and 4

Group A

Understanding roles, responsibilities and relationships in education and training

3 credits, Level 3

Planning to meet the needs of learners in education and training

3 credits, Level 4

Delivering education and training

6 credits, Level 4

Assessing learners in education and training

6 credits, Level 4

Using resources for education and training

3 credits, Level 4

Optional

15 credits

Level 3, 4 and 5

Group B (examples)

Action research

15 credits, Level 5

Delivering employability skills

6 credits, Level 4

Identify individual learning and development needs

3 credits, Level 3

Manage learning and development in groups (L&D unit)

6 credits, Level 4

Preparing for the coaching role

3 credits, Level 4

Generic teaching qualifications

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training (QCF) – 120 credits

Mandatory

75 credits

Level 4 and 5

Common content for minimum mandatory credit agreed with AOs and HEIs

Group A

Teaching, learning and assessment in education and training

20 credits, Level 4

Covers mandatory element of Certificate

Developing teaching, learning and assessment in education and training

20 credits, Level 5

Theories, principles and models in education and training

20 credits, Level 5

Wider professional practice and development in education and training

15 credits, Level 5

Optional

45 credits

Level 4 and 5

Group B (examples)

Action learning to support development of specialist pedagogy

15 credits, Level 5

Develop and prepare resources for learning and development

6 credits, Level 4

Engage with employers to facilitate workforce development

6 credits, Level 4

Quality procedures within education and training

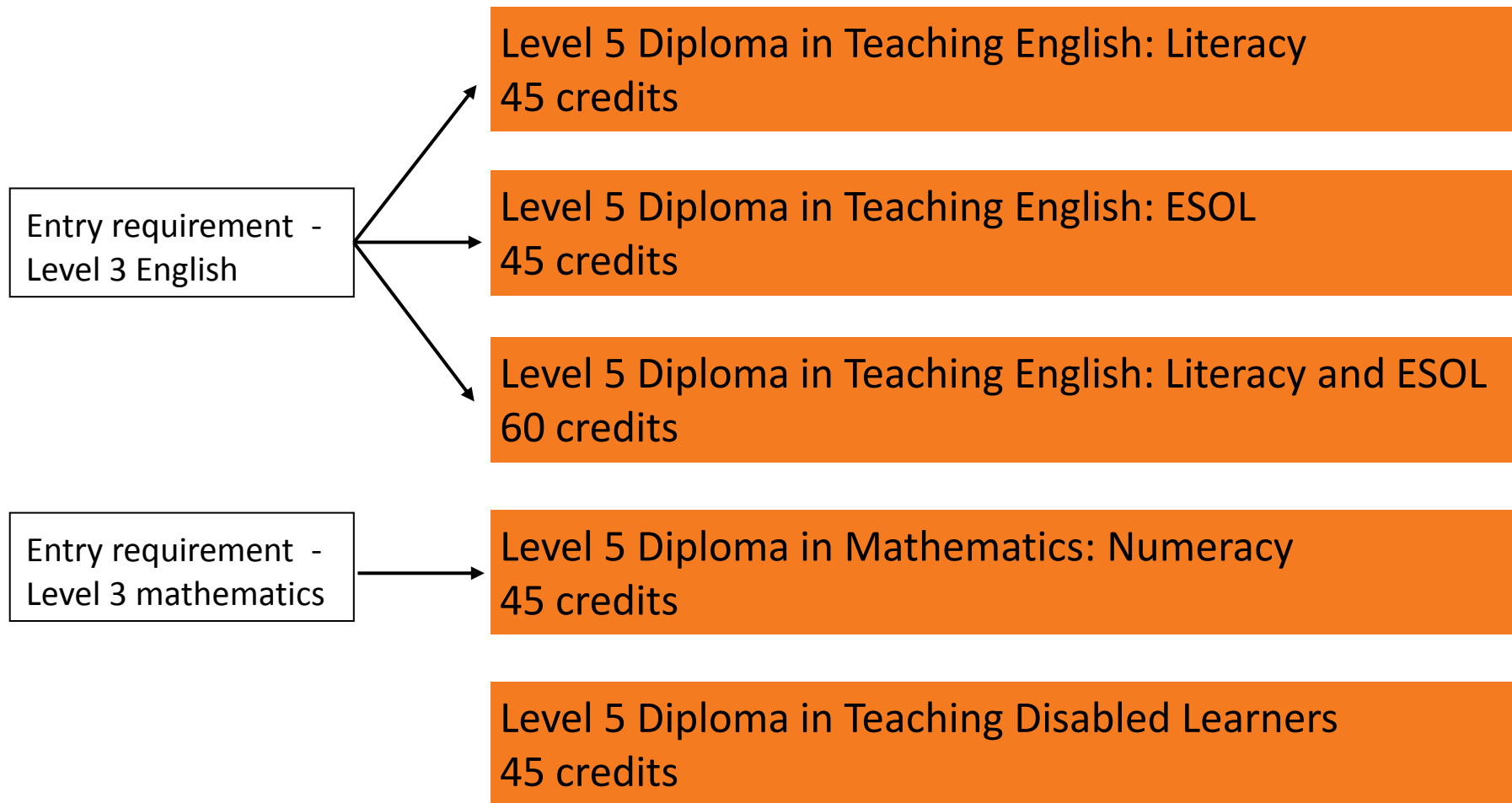
6 credits, Level 4

Understanding and managing behaviours in a learning environment

15 credits, Level 5

Knowledge-based units from the specialist standalone Level 5 Diplomas.

Standalone specialist qualifications for teaching English, mathematics and disabled learners



Generic teaching qualification with specialist option

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training including specialist pathway (QCF) – 120 credits

Mandatory

75 credits

Level 4 and 5

Common content for minimum mandatory credit agreed with AOs and HEIs

Group A

Teaching, learning and assessment in education and training

20 credits, Level 4

Covers mandatory element of Certificate

Developing teaching, learning and assessment in education and training

20 credits, Level 5

Theories, principles and models in education and training

20 credits, Level 5

Wider professional practice and development in education and training

15 credits, Level 5

Specialist

45 credits

Level 5

All three units from the standalone specialist qualifications are included to provide specialist pathways through optional credit in the following areas: teaching English (ESOL), teaching English (Literacy), teaching English (Literacy and ESOL), teaching Mathematics (Numeracy) and teaching Disabled Learners.

The chosen pathway is reflected in the qualification title

e.g.: Diploma in Education and Training (including teaching disabled learners)

Note that the combined English (Literacy and ESOL) Diploma pathway is 135 credits because the combined standalone is 60 credits.

Specialist integrated teaching qualifications

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training (English: Literacy), (English: ESOL), (Mathematics: Numeracy), (Disabled Learners) (QCF) – 120 credits

Mandatory

105 credits
Level 4 and 5

Common content for minimum mandatory credit agreed with AOs and HEIs

Group A

Teaching, learning and assessment in education and training (in specialist area)

20 credits, Level 4

Covers mandatory element of Certificate

Developing teaching, learning and assessment in education and training (in specialist area)

20 credits, Level 5

Theories, principles and models in education and training

20 credits, Level 5

Wider professional practice and development in education and training

15 credits, Level 5

Knowledge unit from standalone specialist qualification

15 credits, Level 5

Optional

15 credits
Level 5

Group B

Knowledge unit from standalone specialist qualification

15 credits, Level 5

Group C (examples)

Action learning to support development of specialist pedagogy

15 credits, Level 5

Inclusive practice

15 credits, Level 4

Combined specialist integrated qualification

Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training

(English: Literacy and ESOL) (QCF) – 135 credits

Mandatory

135 credits

Level 4 and 5

Content for minimum mandatory credit agreed with AOs and HEIs

Group A

Teaching, learning and assessment in education and training (in specialist area)

20 credits, Level 4 Covers mandatory element of Certificate

Developing teaching, learning and assessment in education and training (in specialist area)

20 credits, Level 5

Theories, principles and models in education and training

20 credits, Level 5

Wider professional practice and development in education and training

15 credits, Level 5

Literacy and ESOL theories and frameworks

20 credits, Level 5 Knowledge unit from combined standalone qualification

Literacy and ESOL and the learners

20 credits, Level 5 Knowledge unit from combined standalone qualification

Literacy and ESOL learning and teaching

20 credits, Level 5 Practice unit from combined standalone qualification