

Becoming a Teaching Assistant Part 1

Course Description

Teaching Assistants play a vital role in modern education. From supporting pupils with literacy and numeracy, to helping children with additional learning needs thrive in the classroom, effective Teaching Assistants make a genuine difference to pupil progress, confidence and wellbeing.

This comprehensive online course has been designed to provide learners with a strong foundation in the core responsibilities, expectations and practical skills required to work successfully as a Teaching Assistant in today's schools.

Whether you are considering a career in education, looking to gain employment as a Teaching Assistant, or wanting to strengthen your existing classroom practice, this course will help you develop the confidence and understanding needed to support teaching and learning effectively.

Throughout the course, learners will explore:

The core duties, responsibilities and professional expectations of a Teaching Assistant

The different Teaching Assistant levels and how responsibilities vary across roles

How Teaching Assistants support classroom learning and pupil progress

Effective strategies for supporting literacy and numeracy development

Differentiation, inclusion and adapting support for individual pupil needs

Supporting pupils with Additional Learning Needs (ALN) and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

The role of interventions and booster sessions in improving outcomes

Encouraging independence, resilience and pupil confidence

Working effectively alongside teachers and other professionals

The course combines practical classroom insight with clear guidance and real-world application, making it highly relevant for both aspiring and existing practitioners.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this course you will understand:

- What the core duties and responsibilities of a T/A are
- How they help and support the class teacher and the students
- How they are used to help support children with Additional Learning Needs or Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (ALN and SEND)

Target Audience

This course is ideal for Individuals considering a career as a Teaching Assistant or existing Teaching Assistants wishing to strengthen their practice. It would also be beneficial for school support staff seeking professional development and parents, volunteers or career changers interested in working

within education.

Advantages

Online training is flexible, efficient and cost-effective meaning the candidate can progress through the modules at their own pace and in their own time to fit the training in around their work and personal life.

Modules

Course	Module Number	Module Name	Pass % Required
Becoming a Teaching Assistant Part 1	1	Defining the Role of a Teaching Assistant	70
Becoming a Teaching Assistant Part 1	2	Supporting Learning Activities	70
Becoming a Teaching Assistant Part 1	3	Supporting Pupils with Additional Learning Needs	70
Becoming a Teaching Assistant Part 1	4	Working in a Special School	70

Recommended System Requirements

- Browser: Up to date web browser
- Video: Up to date video drivers
- Memory: 1Gb+ RAM
- Download Speed: Broadband (3Mb+)

Duration: 40 minutes (*Note: This is based on the amount of video content shown and is rounded off. It does not account in any way for loading time or thinking time on the questions.*)