# **Family Learning: Phonics For Teaching Assistants Course**



#### Course overview

As a teaching assistant, you may be responsible for assisting primary school children with their reading and writing development through targeted instruction, practise, and feedback. You can help students develop strong phonics skills that will serve them well throughout their academic careers if you have the right knowledge and skills.

There are several things that you should know to effectively support children's reading and writing development. This course will help you gain confidence in using phonics rules and assessments to determine a child's strengths and weaknesses.

### What will I study?

Please note that to have the opportunity to ask questions about the courses and get a good overview of what you will be learning you must enroll on the tasters associated with this course.

- You will gain awareness of common phonics rules, such as letter-sound correspondences, blends, digraphs, and phonemics. This will help you understand and explain to children the relationship between letters and sounds.
- You will become more familiar with how to administer and interpret phonics assessments to determine children's strengths and weaknesses and to give feedback and guide instructional planning.
- You will start to develop phonics knowledge to support children, it will enable you to effectively collaborate with the classroom teacher.

#### **Assessment method**

You will complete practical and written activities in class to enable you to assess your progress.

## **Entry requirements**

This course is designed for L1 and L2 teaching assisstants. In order to ask questions and understand what you will be learning, you must also complete the taster associated with this course.

#### What should I bring with me?

You will need to bring a pen, paper, or any other note-taking device for these sessions. You will need to have access to a mobile phone or any other electronic device. Please speak to your teacher if you have issues with online access.

# **Key information**

This course will take place on site. You are advised, and will be supported, to install our learning platform Teams on your phone or any other electronic device. You will be able to access all the course resources and communicate with your teacher via Teams.

### Possible next steps

After completing these courses successfully, you will be supported to enrol onto the most appropriate progression course at the college. We offer various Vocational, Multiply, Math, Englsh ESOL and Digital skills courses.

#### Contact us

Our friendly staff can give you further advice and support.



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