

# 1-Year- Option Child Development

Exam Board: NCFE CACHE

Qualification: Level 1/2 Technical Award in Child Development and Care in the Early Years

Course code: 603/7012/9



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## Aims

This qualification provides the opportunity to gain a vocational qualification that gives a basic introduction to the childcare sector of employment.

This qualification will enable you to develop significant transferable knowledge and study skills that will support progression to further learning, including:

- decision making
- observation
- resourcefulness
- problem solving
- planning
- evaluation
- reflection
- interpersonal skills
- professional behaviours
- respect and appreciation of others
- an ability to reflect upon their preferred learning style and identify relevant study skills

## The aims of this qualification are:

- focus on the study of child development and care in the early years
- offer breadth and depth of study, incorporating a key core of knowledge
- provide opportunities to acquire a number of practical and technical skills

## The main objectives are:

- provide an understanding of holistic child development
- identify factors that influence child development
- understand legislation in the early years
- promote care routines and activities to support the child
- provide an understanding of the expectations of an early years practitioner and their roles and responsibilities in a childcare setting
- provide an understanding of the importance of observations in early years childcare
- understand the purpose of planning in early years childcare

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## Content

Content Area 1	Child Development
Content Area 2	Factors that Influence Child Development
Content Area 3	Care routines, play and activities to support the child
Content Area 4	Early Years Provision
Content Area 5	Legislation, policies and procedures in the early years
Content Area 6	Expectations of the early years practitioner
Content Area 7	Roles and responsibilities within early years settings
Content Area 8	The importance of observations in early years childcare
Content Area 9	Planning in early years childcare

## Examination and Assessment

The coursework aspect of this qualification is worth 50% of the final grade and takes place in April and assesses all of the core content areas. These tasks will be completed during lesson times and consists of 6 tasks ranging from 1 hour to 3 hours in length.

The examination aspect of this qualification is worth 50% of the final grade and takes place in May or June and again assesses all of the core content. It lasts for 1 hour and 30 minutes and consists of a mixture of multiple-choice, short-answer and extended-response questions.

## Course Requirements

- good standard of written English in order to complete coursework to the appropriate standard
- a responsible and mature attitude