

Skills for Life Teaching Qualifications October 2004

*Information, Advice and Guidance on becoming a
qualified Skills for Life teacher/tutor*

New Entrants:

Since September 2002, all new entrants to the teaching profession who wish to specialise in teaching adult literacy and/or numeracy are required to enrol on FENTO-approved programmes that meet the requirements of the Subject Specifications at level 4 and lead to the Level 4 certificate for Adult Literacy/Numeracy Subject Specialists. Those who wish to support adult literacy and/or numeracy must work towards the Level 3 Certificate for Adult Literacy/Numeracy Subject support.

Since September 2003, those who wish to specialise in the teaching of ESOL to adults must obtain the Level 4 Certificate for ESOL Subject Specialists, and those who wish to support adult language learning must work towards the Level 3 Certificate for ESOL Subject Support.

Existing Staff:

At present, the new qualification requirements apply only to new adult literacy and numeracy teachers entering the profession from September 2002 and new ESOL teachers entering the profession from September 2003. **They do not apply retrospectively.** There are currently no requirements or deadlines set for existing teachers to obtain the new specialist certificates. No existing teacher will be barred from continuing to teach adult literacy or numeracy if they do not possess these new qualifications however it is expected that over time, existing adult literacy and numeracy and ESOL teachers will take up opportunities to obtain the new specialist qualifications as part of their continuing professional development.

Recommendations:

- Get a copy of 'The Skills for Life Teaching Qualifications Framework: A User's Guide from DfES Publications. Email: dfes@prolog.uk.com Tel: 0845 6022260 quoting ref SFLTQG.
- www.dfes.gov.uk/readwriteplus
- www.fento.org
- www.lsc.gov.uk
- www.lsc.gov.uk/sflqui
- www.successforall.gov.uk
- Contact your local Professional Development Centre.

Professional Development Centres

East of England

Cambridgeshire

- Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Sfl PDC
Karen Wilson, (0135) 4691016
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Hertfordshire

- Skills for Life - Herts
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www.skillsforlife-herts.org

Norfolk

- Lantern Project
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www.norfolkskills.co.uk

Suffolk

- Skills for Life Professional Development Centre
Sue Evans, (0128) 4716270
www.suffolk-learning-partnership.org.uk

East Midlands

Derbyshire

- Read On - Write Away
Carol Taylor, (0162) 9585603
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Lincolnshire and Rutland

- Multiple small CPD centres
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Northamptonshire

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- Skills for Life Academy
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- Nottingham Trent University
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North West

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- Cheshire and Warrington PDU
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Cumbria

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- Training and Development Consortium
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- Craven College
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- Doncaster Professional Development Centre
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South Yorkshire

- SYFEC (The Resource)
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North East

Tees Valley

- Caryn Loftus
www.basicsskillsnetwork.com

Professional Development Centres

Yorkshire & Humberside

West Yorkshire

- West Yorkshire Learning Partnership Consortium
Mary Clayton, (0113) 2406549
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- Thomas Danby College
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South East

Kent and Medway

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- Devon and Torbay Learning Partnership
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- Gloucestershire Skills Unit
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West Midlands

Birmingham and Solihull

- The Birmingham and Solihull PDC
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- Essential Skills PDC
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Herefordshire and Worcestershire

- BRIDGES Skills for Life PDC
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- Basic Skills Professional Development Centre
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The Black Country

- The BLEND Centre
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