

# Early Years Practitioner

Level  
**2**

## Duration

Typically 12 months

**Levy Cost** £4,000

**Non-Levy Cost**  
Fully funded or 5% (£100)

## How can a Early Years Practitioner apprentice benefit my business?

Apprenticeships are an excellent way to support your organisation by harnessing new and motivated talent whilst developing employees who have skills tailored to your business needs.

## Who is the Early Years Practitioner apprenticeship for?

The Early Years Practitioner apprenticeship is perfect for anyone looking for a new career direction, challenge or the opportunity to increase their understanding of working with children. Typical job titles include; Early Years Practitioner, Assistant Childminder and Nursery Assistant.

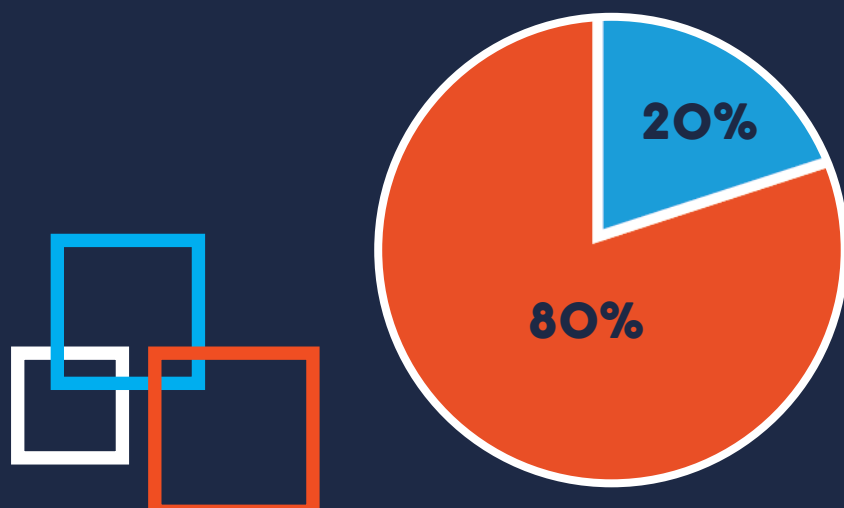
## What will it cost the business to take on an apprentice?

**Levy-paying employers** in England can use funds in their Apprenticeship Service Account to fund apprenticeship training costs.

**Non-levy paying employers:** The government will fund between 95% - 100%\* of the cost of training an apprentice.

\*This depends on how many people are employed within the company, the age of the apprentice and also if they have been in care or have a Local Authority Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

## How is the '20% off-the-job' training delivered?



Blue	Self-study
Orange	Work-based Activity / Assessment

## Functional Skills

If your apprentice does not hold a GCSE 4/5 or equivalent in English and maths, they will be required to complete functional skills. Delivery options will be agreed upon before the commencement of the apprenticeship.

## End Point Assessment

The EPA tests and validates the knowledge, skills and behaviours that an apprentice has gained during their training and demonstrates the competence of an apprentice in their role. This assessment for the Early Years Practitioner apprenticeship consists of:

- Professional discussion supported by a portfolio of evidence
- Knowledge Test

## The Learner Journey

Month 1	Sign-up and Induction	Induction · Skills Scan
Months 2 - 10	On programme	Knowledge and skills delivery · One-to-one sessions with assessor
Month 11	Gateway to EPA	EPA Mocks
Month 12	EPA	Professional Discussion · Knowledge Test

## Classroom Delivery

Apprentices will receive 1-1 tutor support throughout the programme from an assessor and tuition will be arranged on an individual basis with apprentices. Resources will be accessed via an online e-learning platform.

## Progression

On completion of the apprenticeship progression opportunities include:

- Early Years Educator Level 3 apprenticeship