

## Level 5

# Early Years Lead Practitioner

**TYPICAL DURATION: 24 MONTHS**



### Role Profile

The Early Lead Practitioner Course prepares childcare professionals for influential roles, focusing on operational leadership in the care, learning, and development of young children. Covering play-based learning, individual needs, inclusive provision, sector developments, and professional competencies, this course targets practitioners directly engaged with children. Completion ensures candidates are equipped to lead in communication, planning, forest school, physical activity, and nutrition.

### Additional Requirements

English and maths qualifications must be completed in line with the apprenticeship funding rules

Apprentices will need to undertake the Disclosure and Barring Service process

### Course Content

During their apprenticeship, individuals gain skills, knowledge, and behaviours in their chosen role and industry. This includes subject areas such as; The Unique Child, Learning & Development, Leaderful Practise, Effective Implementation of Legislation & Guidance, Effective Promotion of Development, Health & Wellbeing, CPD, Child Development, Administrative, Reflective Practise, Observation and Assessment Planning.

### Apprenticeship Assessment

This Apprenticeship has 2 assessment methods.

- Observation with questions
- Professional discussion underpinned by a portfolio of evidence

### Further Information

This standard aligns with the following professional recognition: Criteria for Level 3 Early Years qualifications for Early Years Educator

### Typical Job Roles

Assistant manager      Deputy manager  
 Early years coordinator      Play leader  
 Baby room leader      Early years officer  
 Key Worker      Education welfare officer  
 Health play specialist      Nursery Officer  
 Hospital playworker      Pastoral assistant  
 Higher level teaching and learning assistant  
 Room Leader      Pre-school leader  
 Early years foundation stage lead or coordinator

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