



Functional skills and Personal, Learning and Thinking Skills

- Higher or Advanced Diploma**
- GCSE / A Level**
- Apprenticeship**
- Foundation Learning Tier**

The Diploma combines theoretical study with practical experience based around a work-related curriculum. It is available at Foundation, Higher and Advanced level (Level 1 - Level 3).

GCSE and A level qualifications are regularly updated to ensure that they remain high quality, relevant and interesting. They can be combined with Diplomas.

Apprenticeships allow students to learn at work and gain qualifications. The number and range of Apprenticeships is increasing hugely so 1 in 5 will take this route by 2020.

This is for learners not ready for a full level 2 qualification and include a mix of learning to suit the individual.



Consider Options
Well before the decision points information and advice will be critical to guide young people to make the best choice for them in relation to their prior learning.
Some students may change paths at 17 because there are more one year courses available after 16.



Further Information
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