

Essential Skills

Current Accredited Learning Courses

SQA Core Skills Communication levels SCQF 2- 4

SQA Core Skills Numeracy levels SCQF 2- 4

SQA Core Skills Information Communication Technology levels SCQF 2

SQA Core Skills Working Together levels SCQF 2- 4

Topics Studied by learners:-

- Driving Theory
- Financial Literacy
- Literacy
- Numeracy
- ESOL Literacies
- Open Doors
- Kickstart
- Using ICT to support literacies learning

All learners have an individual learning plan and are provided with the opportunity to work towards Scottish Qualifications Authority Core Skills qualifications in Communications, Numeracy, Information Communication technology, Working with Others and Problem Solving up to SCQF level 4. Accreditation is not a priority for all learners. Not all learners feel that accreditation is for them as their goals maybe focussed on everyday tasks, e.g. managing their money, helping children with homework or reading for pleasure rather than gaining qualifications. All learners are provided within information about accreditation so they can make informed choices about whether it is important to them.

The majority of learners start their learning programmes in a 1;1 setting, progressing to small groups when appropriate.

Some learners seek support from Essential Skills when working towards accreditation in the work place e.g. SVQ in Social Care or NQ Horticulture at college and we also support learners working towards the driving theory test or construction skills tests.

Uptake of Essential Skills Learning 2011-2012

Total number of learners 203.

When a learner attends more than one session e.g. numeracy and literacy they have 2 learner places.

	Number of learner *places	
Elgin	79	
Buckie	40	
Speyside	17	
Milne's area	18	
Forres	33	
Keith	16	
Lossiemouth area	7	
Outwith Moray	4	
	214	

