



Functional Skills English Factsheet

For centres, learners and those exploring the world
of Functional Skills with TQUK.



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TQUK Functional Skills Qualification in English at Level 1 (610/2626/8)

TQUK Functional Skills Qualification in English at Level 2 (610/2625/6)

Key attributes

	TQUK Functional Skills Qualification in English at Level 1	TQUK Functional Skills Qualification in English at Level 2
Qualification number:	610/2626/8	610/2625/6
Guided learning hours (GLH):	55	55
Total qualification time (TQT)	60	60
Assessment	Reading examination (60-minutes) (externally set and assessed). Writing examination (60-minutes) (externally set and assessed). Speaking, Listening and Communication assessment (internally set and assessed).	
Direct claim status (DCS)	These qualifications are eligible for direct claim status.	
Entry requirements:	There are no set age requirements for taking Functional Skills assessments but do consider learner maturity and their readiness for assessment when entering them for these tests. Formative assessments should guide your choice regarding the appropriate level at which to enrol learners.	
Funding	These qualifications are eligible for funding. Be sure to check the funding hub regularly for current and accurate information on funding eligibility.	

About these qualifications

The TQUK Functional Skills qualifications in English at level 1 and level 2 are qualifications regulated by Ofqual.

Functional Skills qualifications are designed to provide reliable evidence of a learner's achievements against demanding content relevant to the workplace. They also provide a foundation for progression into employment or further technical education and develop skills for everyday life.

The TQUK Functional Skills qualifications in English at level 1 and level 2 enable each learner to develop confidence and fluency in, and a positive attitude towards, English. Learners will be able to demonstrate their competence in English by using it in real-world situations and demonstrating a sound grasp of basic English knowledge and skills.

Purpose of these qualifications

The purpose of all Functional Skills qualifications in English for level 1 and level 2 is to provide a qualification for work, study and life.

The achievement of each qualification demonstrates the ability at an appropriate level to read, write, speak, listen and communicate in English, and to apply these skills effectively to a range of purposes in the workplace and in other real-life situations.

Subject content

The Department for Education (DfE) has specified the subject content which should underpin all Functional Skills qualifications, including the learning aims and outcomes that learners must achieve. The qualification specification provides a full understanding of the subject content for the TQUK Functional Skills qualifications in English at level 1 and level 2.

Assessment options

The following assessment methods are available to the learner:

- option 1: traditional face-to-face (paper-based)
- option 2: online, invigilated in person by the centre staff at the centre venue
- option 3: online, remotely invigilated by the Awarding Organisation.

Sample assessment materials are available within the Functional Skills area of the TQUK website.

Recognised prior learning (English only)

An Awarding Organisation must permit a learner to carry forward his or her result for a component from a previous attempt at a Functional Skills qualification in English at the same level awarded by that Awarding Organisation or a different Awarding Organisation. This includes circumstances in which a learner has not previously attempted all three components and would cover previous registrations onto Functional skills qualification with TQUK and previous registrations with other Awarding Organisations.

Progression opportunities

Learners who achieve the TQUK Functional Skills Qualification in English at Level 1 or the TQUK Functional Skills Qualification in English at Level 2 could progress to:

- GCSE English language
- further study for general or vocational qualifications at a suitable level
- further study at Level 2 (for example, the TQUK Functional Skills Qualification in English at Level 2).

Alternatively, these qualifications can play an essential role in the achievement of various apprenticeships.

Centre approval

TQUK has a systematic, process-driven approach to centre approval for all qualifications, including Functional Skills qualifications.

To work with us, you'll need to meet our centre requirements. [Click here](#) for a breakdown of what this includes.

Product fees

When it comes to our fees and pricing, you won't find any hidden costs, what you see is what you get! Our transparent, easy-to-understand pricing keeps you in mind.

Registration fee (for all delivery models including first assessment sit)

English	£16 per learner
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On-demand/record and review (TQUK invigilation)

	English (Writing)	English (Reading)
Invigilation fee	£15	£15
1 ST resit (invigilation included)	FREE	FREE
Resits onwards (invigilation included)	£23	£23

Online (centre invigilation)

	English (Writing)	English (Reading)
Invigilation fee	N/A	N/A
Resit fee	£8	£8

Paper (centre invigilation)

	English (Writing)	English (Reading)
Invigilation fee	N/A	N/A
Resit fee	£8	£8
Paper delivery	£12.95 for up to 20 papers	