NCFE CACHE Level 3 Award in
Supporting Children and Young People’s Speech, Language and Communication

Qualification facts
About this qualification

This qualification develops the knowledge and skills necessary for supporting the effective communication of children and young people and how to identify their development needs. Speech, language and communication skills are essential for learning and social and emotional wellbeing, therefore it’s important that practitioners understand what typical development looks like for different age groups.

It has been designed for practitioners in a wide range of settings who are looking to improve their practice and specialist learning in this critical area. This includes settings for children and young people, playwork, health and social care, youth justice and education support.

Progression is also built in as it contains units from the Level 3 Diploma for the Children and Young People’s Workforce and the Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care. As such, credits can be transferred between all these qualifications without having to repeat learning.

Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for these qualifications but learners will need to be at least 16 years of age.

Experience in the workplace

Learners will need to be working, volunteering or on practical placement as they need to show competence in both knowledge and skills.

Qualification structure

Learners need to achieve a minimum of 9 credits to complete the qualification. 6 credits must come from the mandatory units in group A and a minimum of 3 credits must come from the optional units in group B.

We are very pleased this qualification has gained support from:

The Communication Trust
The trust highlights the importance of speech, language and communication across the children’s workforce and enables practitioners to access the best training and expertise to support the communication needs of all children.

ICAN
ICAN is the children’s communication charity that supports children with speech and language difficulties.
### Group A mandatory units

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<td>A/601/2872</td>
<td>Support speech, language and communication development</td>
<td>Knowledge/Skills</td>
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<td>L/601/2889</td>
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### Group B optional units

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<td>L/601/2861</td>
<td>Support positive practice with children and young people with speech, language and communication needs</td>
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<td>Y/601/2877</td>
<td>Work with parents, families and carers to support their children’s speech, language and communication development</td>
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<td>M/601/2884</td>
<td>Understand the speech, language and communication needs of children and young people with behavioural, social and emotional difficulties</td>
<td>Knowledge</td>
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<td>J/601/2888</td>
<td>Support the speech, language and communication development of children who are learning more than one language.</td>
<td>Knowledge/Skills</td>
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**Total guided learning hours for the Award:** 68 - 73

### Assessment

All units will be individually internally assessed using a range of methods which could include: a portfolio of evidence, written assignments, course work, direct observation of practice or a task set by us.

The qualifications will be pass or refer and all the assessment criteria for the chosen units must be achieved in order to obtain a pass.

### For more information

Full details of this qualification can be found on our website [www.cache.org.uk](http://www.cache.org.uk) or our secure Centre website cachezone.