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English and Communication: Creating Texts (National 2)

SCQF: level 2 (6 SCQF credit points)

Unit code: H244 72

Unit outline

The general aim of this Unit is to help learners to develop their skills in communicating ideas, opinions and information by creating a variety of texts.

Learners who complete this Unit will be able to:

1 Create simple word-based texts to communicate ideas, opinions or information

This Unit is a mandatory Unit of the National 2 English and Communication Course and is also available as a free-standing Unit. The Unit Specification should be read in conjunction with the *Unit Support Notes* which provide advice and guidance on delivery, assessment approaches and development of skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work. Exemplification of the standards in this Unit is given in *Unit Assessment Support*.

Recommended entry

Entry to this Unit is at the discretion of the centre. However, relevant experiences and outcomes may provide an appropriate basis for doing this Unit.

Equality and inclusion

This Unit Specification has been designed to ensure that there are no unnecessary barriers to learning or assessment. The individual needs of learners should be taken into account when planning learning experiences, selecting assessment methods or considering alternative evidence. For further information, please refer to the *Unit Support Notes*.

Standards

Outcomes and assessment standards

Outcome 1

The learner will:

- 1 Create simple word-based texts to communicate ideas, opinions or information by:
- 1.1 Using appropriate language for purpose
- 1.2 Using appropriate structure for purpose
- 1.3 Using basic tools for language, as appropriate to purpose

Evidence Requirements for the Unit

Assessors should use their professional judgement, subject knowledge and experience, and understanding of their learners, to determine the most appropriate ways to generate evidence and the conditions and contexts in which they are used.

Evidence for Outcome 1: at least two word-based texts of different genres, types or formats.

Learners may create texts in media or multimodal formats but the main message(s) of the texts will be conveyed through words.

It is expected that learners will receive support to achieve the Outcome of this Unit.

Exemplification of assessment is provided in *Unit Assessment Support*. Advice and guidance on possible approaches to assessment is provided in the *Unit Support Notes*.

Development of skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work

It is expected that learners will develop broad, generic skills through this Unit. The skills that learners will be expected to improve on and develop through the Unit are based on SQA's *Skills Framework: Skills for Learning, Skills for Life and Skills for Work* and drawn from the main skills areas listed below. These must be built into the Unit where there are appropriate opportunities.

- 1 Literacy
- 1.2 Writing
- 5 Thinking skills
- 5.2 Understanding
- 5.5 Creating

Amplification of these is given in SQA's *Skills Framework: Skills for Learning, Skills for Life* and *Skills for Work.* The level of these skills should be at the same SCQF level as the Unit and be consistent with the SCQF level descriptor. Further information on building in skills for learning, skills for life and skills for work is given in the *Unit Support Notes.*

Administrative information

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History of changes to National Unit Specification

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