# 22294VIC Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy 22293VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy

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## **Section B: Course information**

1. Nomenclature	Standard 1 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses		
1.1 Name of the qualification	22294VIC Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy		
quamication	22293VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy		
1.2 Nominal duration of the course	22294VIC Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy		
and deales	185 – 360 nominal hours		
	22293VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy 205 – 580 nominal hours		
2. Vocational or educationa			
2. Vocational or educationa	l outcomes Standard 1 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses		
2.1 Purpose of the course	The Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy and the Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy are intended to support development of the literacy and numeracy skills of learners with intellectual disabilities.		
3. Development of the cours	se Standards 1 and 2 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses		
3.1 Industry / enterprise/ community needs	The Certificates in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy (CIALN) were first accredited in 1996 as two certificates to address the education and training needs of teenage and adult learners wishing to develop literacy and numeracy skills at an initial level. The 2008 reaccreditation introduced an Entry certificate for learners who were operating below Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) level 1 and revised the Foundation and Established certificates to extend and strengthen pathways.		
	The CIALN qualifications are mainly used in community education settings including Adult and Community Education (ACE), in metropolitan and regional areas across Victoria. The curriculum is used with learners who have varying degrees of intellectual disabilities and whose disabilities inhibit access to education, training and employment. Many learners come from special schools while others re-engage with learning after having been in the care of family or other care providers.		
	A number of interlinked National and State government policy initiatives focus on enabling people with a disability to more actively participate in the life of the community.		
	The National Disability Strategy 2010–2020 has six interrelated policy actions which focus on maximising the potential of those with disabilities. Policy action 5 focuses on skills and learning and identifies responsiveness to learning needs and opportunities for lifelong learning as a key goal.		
	The Victorian State Disability Plan 2013-2016 identifies four interconnected goals which include access to and participation in education as a basis for community participation and access to employment.		

Research into the development and use of literacies by people with intellectual disabilities has been limited and has not been reflected in the broader policy context relating to the area of literacy and numeracy development applied to the general population. Until recently there has remained a common perception that becoming literate is not possible for people with intellectual disabilities and that a plateau of learning occurs for these learners. However recent studies have found that young adults with intellectual disability engage in literacy in their everyday lives using literacy strategies that are multiple and varied (Moni, Jobling Morgan and Lloyd 2011). Literacy for this group is complex, multi modal and challenging and what constitutes literacy for this group also needs to be broadened. (Morgan, Moni, Cuskelly (2013). Moni et al identified a number of literacy events and the strategies used by adults with intellectual disabilities to negotiate them.

A number of studies (Wilson, A & Hunter, K 2010), (Moni, Jobling Morgan and Lloyd 2011) concluded that literacy development for learners with intellectual disabilities should be based on their everyday needs and interests and should be more closely linked with activities undertaken as part of community based programs and services to maximise experiences and participation.

Enrolment data for the years 2010 to 2013 indicates that enrolments across the three certificates, while not large, have remained consistent with a slight increase in 2013. It is anticipated that enrolments will increase when the qualifications become more publicly accessible through Crown Copyright ownership. Given the target audience, however, any increases would be modest.

Qualification	2010	2011	2012	2013
21890VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy (Entry)	85	89	69	83
21891VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy (Foundation)	57	119	79	111
21892VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy (Established)	25	35	37	74
Total	167	243	185	268

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A Skills and Knowledge Profile was developed following face to face and electronic consultation with a practitioner focus group and the Statewide Advisory Group (SWAG) for existing disability focussed curricula. The PSC advised on and validated the Profile, which was used to guide the redevelopment of the curricula.

The outcomes of the courses are not available through any endorsed training package or accredited curriculum. The Certificates in General Education for Adults (CGEA) have a literacy and numeracy development focus but are not designed for learners with disabilities. The EAL Framework (English as an Additional Language) also has a language, literacy and numeracy focus but is designed for English language acquisition by speakers of other languages. The FSK Foundation Skills Training Package has a language, literacy and numeracy focus which is specific to a workplace context.

# 3.2 Review for re – accreditation

The previous copyright owner conducted a curriculum review in 2012. While responses indicated that the courses address the needs of learners who have never been in a classroom setting before due to their special needs, the following changes were suggested:

- · remove prerequisite units as this limits flexibility
- build in specific employability skills so as to better guide and assist teachers in supporting learners to develop these skills
- introduce new entry level unit for reading and writing the alphabet
- introduce electives in all courses to meet a broader range of learner needs.

These changes have all been addressed through the reaccreditation process.

The 22294VIC Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy replaces and is not equivalent to the 21890VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy (Entry)

The 22293VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy replaces and is not equivalent to the 21891VIC Certificate I in Adult Literacy and Numeracy (Foundation) or the 21892VIC Certificate I in Adult Literacy and Numeracy (Established)

The following table identifies the relationship between units from the previous courses with units from the current courses.



Units from 21892VIC	21890VIC, 21891VIC,	Units from 2	Relationship	
		VU21724	Recognise and use letters of the alphabet	New unit, no equivalent
VBQU737	Read/recognise words and items in the general community or workplace	VU21725	Recognise pictures and symbols	Equivalent
VBQU738	Read simple words in the general community or workplace	VU21726	Read simple words	Equivalent
VBQU739	Write/communicate using words and items related to the general community or workplace	VU21727	Communicate using pictures and symbols	Equivalent
VBQU740	Write simple words related to the general community or workplace	VU21728	Write simple words	Equivalent
VBQU741	Communicate orally using everyday single word type statements in the community or workplace	VU21729	Communicate orally using single words	Equivalent
VBQU742	Recognise and work with natural number figures from 1 to 10 in the general community or workplace	VU21730	Recognise and use whole numbers from 1 to 10	Equivalent
VBQU743	Recognise and work with natural number figures from 11 to 20 in the general community or workplace	VU21731	Recognise and use whole numbers from 11 to 20	Equivalent
VBQU744	Recognise and work with natural number figures from 21 to 50 in the general community or workplace	VU21732	Recognise and use whole numbers from 21 to 50	Equivalent
VBQU745	Recognise and work with natural number figures from 51 to 200 in the general community or workplace	VU21733	Recognise and use whole numbers from 51 to 200	Equivalent
VBQU746	Recognise and work with simple fractions in the general community or workplace	VU21744	Recognise and use simple fractions	Equivalent



Units from 21892VIC	21890VIC, 21891VIC,	Units from 2	Relationship	
VBQU747	Read and work with digital or clock face time in the general community or workplace	VU21734	Recognise and use time	Equivalent
VBQU748	Recognise and use single coins or notes as 'covering amounts' to purchase everyday goods and services in the general community or workplace	VU21735	Recognise coins and notes	Equivalent
VBQU749	Read phrases in the general community or workplace	VU21737	Read phrases	Equivalent
VBQU750	Write phrases related to the general community or workplace	VU21738	Write phrases	Equivalent
VBQU751	Communicate orally using everyday phrase type statements in the community or workplace	VU21739	Communicate orally using phrases	Equivalent
VBQU752	Count by multiples of 1 from 1 to 100 and apply this skill in the general community or workplace	VU21745	Count and use numbers from 1 to 100	Equivalent
VBQU753	Count by multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 and apply this skill in the general community or workplace	VU21746	Count to 50 by multiples of 2	Equivalent
VBQU754	Count by multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 and apply this skill in the general community or workplace	VU21747	Count to 50 by multiples of 5	Equivalent
VBQU755	Count by multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 and apply this skill in the general community or workplace	VU21748	Count to 100 by multiples of 10	Equivalent
VBQU756	Count by multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 and apply this skill in the general community or workplace	VU21749	Count to 100 by multiples of 20	Equivalent
VBQU757	Count by multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 and apply this skill in the general community or	VU21750	Count to 1000 by multiples of 50	Equivalent



Units from 21892VIC	21890VIC, 21891VIC,	Units from 222	294 <b>VIC</b> , 22293 <b>VIC</b>	Relationship
	workplace			
VBQU758	Read simple sentences in the general community or workplace	VU21740	Read simple sentences	Equivalent
VBQU759	Write simple sentences related to the general community or workplace	VU21741	Write simple sentences	Equivalent
VBQU760	Communicate orally using everyday simple sentence type statements in the community or workplace	VU21742	Communicate orally using simple sentences	Equivalent
VBQU761	Work with initial addition skills in familiar situations in the general community or workplace	VU21755	Use simple addition skills	VU21755 replaces and is equivalent to VBQU761 and VBQU763
VBQU763	Work with basic addition skills, with or without the aid of a calculator, in familiar situations in the general community or workplace			Unit outcomes integrated to address duplication of content
VBQU762	Work with initial subtraction skills in familiar situations in the general	VU21756	Use simple subtraction skills	VU21756 replaces and is equivalent to VBQU762 and
VBQU764	Work with basic subtraction skills, with or without the aid of a calculator, in familiar situations in the general community or workplace			VBQU764 Unit outcomes integrated to address duplication of content
VBQU765	Work with simple metric weights or scales to weigh everyday objects in the general community or workplace	VU21751	Use simple metric weights	Equivalent
VBQU766	Work with simple metric liquid measures to measure everyday items in the general community or workplace	VU21752	Use simple liquid measures	Equivalent
VBQU767	Work with simple metric linear measures to measure	VU21753	Use simple linear measures	Equivalent



Units from 21890VIC, 21891VIC, 21892VIC	<b>Units from</b> 22294 <b>VIC</b> , 22293 <b>VIC</b>		Relationship	
everyday items in the general community or workplace				
	VU21754	Use coins and notes	New unit, no equivalent	
	VU21736	Recognise basic mathematical symbols and processes	New unit, no equivalent	
	VU21743	Give and follow simple directions	New unit, no equivalent	

4. Course outcomes S	tandards 1, 2, 3 and 4 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses	
4.1 Qualification level	Standards 1, 2 and 3 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses	
	The Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy meets an identified community need but does not have the breadth, depth or volume of learning of a qualification.	
	The outcomes of the 22293VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy are consistent with Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Level 1 through:	
	Developing knowledge of strategies to:	
	<ul> <li>read and make meaning of words, phrases and sentences and / or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>convey personally relevant information orally and / or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>write words, phrases and sentences</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>recognise and count whole number figures and / or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>estimate measures of length and / or weight and / or liquids</li> </ul>	
	Developing skills to:	
	<ul> <li>read and write words, phrases and sentences and / or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>communicate orally using words, phrases and sentences and / or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>use numerical information related to time, money and / or measure of length, weight or liquids</li> </ul>	
	Application of skills and knowledge in highly structured, familiar and personally relevant contexts.	
	The volume of learning for this qualification is typically between 0.5 and 1 year and incorporates structured training delivery and opportunities for practice and reinforcement of skills.	
4.2 Employability skills	Standard 4 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses	



The following summary reflects the Employability Skills required for the Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy.

#### Communication

Communication skills to:

- use verbal and or non verbal communication to express simple ideas and opinions related to personally relevant activities and needs in familiar contexts
- · write simple words, phrases and or sentences

#### **Teamwork**

Teamwork skills to:

- recognise personally relevant cooperative contexts and apply appropriate communication skills
- confirm understanding of written and / or spoken information with others

#### **Problem Solving**

Problem solving skills to:

- · recognise and use number figures in personally relevant contexts
- use a limited range of reading strategies to interpret meaning in simple phrases and / or sentences
- use a limited range of writing strategies to construct meaning through simple phrases and / or sentences

#### **Initiative and Enterprise**

 Initiative and enterprise skills to identify personally relevant activities / items in highly familiar situations

#### **Planning and Organising**

- Planning and organising to select and organise words and phrases to:
  - read and write sentences
  - follow simple written instructions
- sequence numbers to count
- perform simple addition and subtraction calculations using whole numbers

#### Self – management

Self management skills to seek assistance as required

#### Learning

 Learning skills to apply literacy and numeracy skills to personally relevant activities and needs

#### **Technology**

 Technology skills to use technological aids as required to develop and demonstrate skills and knowledge



4.3 Recognition given to the course (if applicable)	Standard 5 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses  Not Applicable		
4.4 Licensing/ regulatory requirements (if applicable)	Standard 5 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses  Not Applicable		
5. Course rules Standards 2, 6,7 and 9 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses			
5.1 Course structure	The Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy and the Certificate I in Initial Adult literacy and Numeracy have been designed to allow for flexible selection of units from a bank of specific literacy and numeracy units. This is to maximise the opportunities for learners with intellectual disabilities to engage with learning, due to the diversity of intellectual disabilities of learners, which can be accompanied by physical disabilities.		

22294VIC Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy

To be eligible for the 22294VIC Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy, learners must successfully complete a total of 7 units comprising:

- 2 literacy units from the following literacy unit list
- 2 numeracy units from the following numeracy unit list
- 3 units from the following list that have not previously been completed.

Where the course is not completed, a Statement of Attainment will be issued for any completed units.

Unit of competency code	Field of Education code	Unit of competency title	Nominal hours
Literacy units			
VU21724	120103	Recognise and use letters of the alphabet	40
VU21725	120103	Recognise pictures and symbols	40
VU21726	120103	Read simple words	80
VU21727	120103	Communicate using pictures and symbols	40
VU21728	120103	Write simple words	80
VU21729	120103	Communicate orally using single words	40
Numeracy units			
VU21730	120103	Recognise and use whole numbers from 1 to 10	20
VU21731	120103	Recognise and use whole numbers from 11 to 20	20
VU21732	120103	Recognise and use whole numbers from 21 to 50	20
VU21733	120103	Recognise and use whole numbers from 51 to 200	20
VU21734	120103	Recognise and use time	40
VU21735	120103	Recognise coins and notes	40
VU21736	120103	Recognise basic mathematical symbols and processes	25
		Total nominal hours	185 – 360



22293VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy

To be eligible for the award of 22293VIC Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy, learners must successfully complete a total of 11 units comprising:

- · 3 literacy units from the following literacy units list
- · 3 numeracy units from the following numeracy units list
- 5 literacy and / or numeracy units from the following list that have not previously been completed.

Where the qualification is not completed, a Statement of Attainment will be issued for any completed units.

Unit of competency code	Field of Education code	Unit of competency title	Nominal hours		
Literacy units					
VU21737	120103	Read phrases	85		
VU21738	120103	Write phrases	85		
VU21739	120103	Communicate orally using phrases	80		
VU21740	120103	Read simple sentences	70		
VU21741	120103	Write simple sentences	70		
VU21742	120103	Communicate orally using simple sentences	35		
VU21041	120103	Complete forms	20		
VU21284	120103	Engage with short simple texts for learning purposes	20		
VU21282	120103	Develop a learning plan and portfolio with support	20		
VU21288	120103	Create short simple texts for learning purposes	15		
VU21743	120103	Give and follow simple directions	25		
VU20939	120103	Recognise and interpret safety signs and symbols	10		
Numeracy units					
VU21744	120103	Recognise and use simple fractions	20		
VU21745	120103	Count and use numbers from 1 to 100	20		
VU21746	120103	Count to 50 by multiples of 2	20		
VU21747	120103	Count to 50 by multiples of 5	20		
VU21748	120103	Count to 100 by multiples of 10	20		



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VU21749	120103	Count to 100 by multiples of 20	20	
VU21750	120103	Count to 1000 by multiples of 50	20	
VU21751	120103	Use simple metric weights	25	
VU21752	120103	Use simple liquid measures	25	
VU21753	120103	Use simple linear measures	25	
VU21754	120103	Use coins and notes	25	
VU21755	120103	Use simple addition skills	40	
VU21756	120103	Use simple subtraction skills	40	
Total nominal hours				

#### 5.2 Entry requirements

Standard 9 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

Entry to the Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy and the Certificate I in Initial Adult literacy and Numeracy is restricted to post compulsory school age learners with evidence of a permanent cognitive impairment / intellectual disability which may be accompanied by additional conditions such as:

- · Autism Spectrum Disorder
- · Social and / or emotional issues
- Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- · Specific learning disabilities
- · Mental health conditions
- Physical disabilities

Permanent cognitive impairment / intellectual disability must be evidenced. Evidence could include:

- Formal assessment by a registered medical practitioner
- · Doctors / specialist reports
- Attendance at a Special School / SDS
- Integration support at school
- Integration support at school with modified curriculum

#### 6. Assessment

#### Standards 10 and 12 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

# 6.2 and 7.26.1 Assessment strategy

Standard 10 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

All assessment, including Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), must be compliant with the requirements of:

• Standard 1 of the AQTF: Essential Conditions and Standards for



Initial/Continuing Registration and Guidelines 4.1 and 4.2 of the VRQA Guidelines for VET Providers,

or

- the Standards for Registered Training Organisations 2015 (SRTOs), or
- the relevant standards and Guidelines for RTOs at the time of assessment.

Assessment of the Course in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy and the Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy must consider the appropriate level of support and time required by learners with intellectual disabilities to demonstrate achievement of competency. When developing an assessment strategy it can be useful to refer to the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) to assist in identifying the text and task complexity and level of support appropriate for each level.

Wherever possible an integrated approach to assessment should be used to:

- · maximise opportunities for holistic skill development
- · reduce atomisation and duplication of evidence collection
- support authentic assessment by reflecting activities that are personally relevant to the learner.

# 6.2 Assessor competencies

Standard 12 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

Assessment must be undertaken by a person or persons in accordance with:

 Standard 1.4 of the AQTF: Essential Conditions and Standards for Initial/Continuing Registration and Guideline 3 of the VRQA Guidelines for VET Providers,

or

- the Standards for Registered Training Organisations 2015 (SRTOs),
- the relevant standards and Guidelines for RTOs at the time of assessment.

## **Vocational Competency**

Relevant vocational competency to assess the Course in and / or the Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy means:

- demonstrable expertise in teaching in the special education field
- in the context of assessing literacy, some experience and / or a qualification in teaching literacy
- in the context of assessing numeracy, some experience and / or a qualification in teaching numeracy.

Expertise in teaching in the special education field can be demonstrated by holding a qualification with a special education specialisation. Appropriate qualifications can include:



- Bachelor of Education with a Special Education specialisation area
- Masters degree which includes a Special Education specialisation such as:
  - Master of Special Education
  - Master of Education (Special Education needs)
- Where an assessor does not hold a formal relevant qualification they would need to demonstrate relevant knowledge of theories, methods and practices in teaching learners with a range of intellectual disabilities.
- Appropriate qualifications in teaching literacy and / or numeracy can include undergraduate or postgraduate qualifications which include literacy and / or numeracy development.
- Where an assessor does not hold a formal relevant qualification they would need to demonstrate experience in the teaching of literacy and / or numeracy.
- Units of competency imported from accredited curriculum must reflect the requirements of assessors specified in that accredited curriculum.

#### 7. Delivery

#### Standards 11 and 12 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

#### 7.1 Delivery modes

Standard 11 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

The intellectual disabilities of learners enrolled in these courses may be diverse and delivery strategies should be selected to enable learners to develop competence in the skills and knowledge contained in the units. Face to face delivery modes should allow for active involvement of all participants. Additional support should also be provided through programs such as mentoring and peer support where appropriate.

Delivery should take into account the intellectual and physical constraints of individual learners and ensure learning and assessment methods are sensitive to their specific needs.

Where there are synergies between unit outcomes integration of delivery can be appropriate. Delivery strategies should actively involve the learner and learning should be related to highly familiar contexts.

To achieve quality outcomes for learners and to address complex learning needs, an appropriate ratio of teachers to learners is highly recommended. A ratio of one teacher to six learners is optimum. Variations such as one teacher and support person to ten learners may also be appropriate.

#### 7.2 Resources

Standard 12 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

Training must be undertaken by a person or persons in accordance with:

 Standard 1.4 of the AQTF: Essential Conditions and Standards for Initial/Continuing Registration and Guideline 3 of the VRQA Guidelines for VET Providers,



or

- the Standards for Registered Training Organisations 2015 (SRTOs), or
- the relevant standards and Guidelines for RTOs at the time of assessment.

#### **Vocational Competency**

Relevant vocational competency to deliver the Course in and / or the Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy means:

- demonstrable expertise in teaching in the special education field
- in the context of teaching literacy, some experience and / or a qualification in teaching literacy
- in the context of teaching numeracy, some experience and / or a qualification in teaching numeracy.

Expertise in teaching in the special education field can be demonstrated by holding a qualification with a special education specialisation. Appropriate qualifications can include:

- · Bachelor of Education with a Special Education specialisation area
- Masters degree which includes a Special Education specialisation such as:
  - Master of Special Education
  - Master of Education (Special Education needs)
- Where a teacher does not hold a formal relevant qualification they would need to demonstrate relevant knowledge of theories, methods and practices in teaching learners with a range of intellectual disabilities.
- Appropriate qualifications in teaching literacy and / or numeracy can include undergraduate or postgraduate qualifications which include literacy and / or numeracy development.
- Where a teacher does not hold a formal relevant qualification they would need to demonstrate experience in the teaching of literacy and / or numeracy.

Units of competency imported from accredited curriculum must reflect the requirements of trainers specified in that accredited curriculum.

#### 8. Pathways and articulation

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Standard 8 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

There are no formal pathways from the Course in or Certificate I in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy.

- The following units provide credit into the 22215VIC Certificate I in Mumqu-dhal tyama-tiyt
  - VU20939 Recognise and interpret safety signs and symbols
  - VU21041 Complete forms
- The following units provide credit into the 22234VIC Course in Initial General Education for Adults



- VU21282 Develop a learning plan and portfolio with support
- VU21284 Engage with short simple texts for learning purposes
- VU21288 Create short simple texts for learning purposes

#### 9. Ongoing monitoring and evaluation Standard 13 AQTF Standards for Accredited Courses

The Curriculum Maintenance Manager, General Studies and Further Education, has responsibility for the ongoing monitoring and maintenance of this qualification.

A formal review will take place once during the period of accreditation and will be informed by feedback from users of the curriculum and will consider at a minimum:

- any changes required to meet emerging or developing needs
- changes to any units of competency from nationally endorsed training packages or accredited curricula.

Any significant changes to the course resulting from course monitoring and evaluation procedures will be notified to the VRQA.

# **Section C: Units of Competency**

## Unit Code VU21724

## Unit Title Recognise and use letters of the alphabet

## Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to identify the

letters of the alphabet and their sounds including recognising vowels and consonants and blending letters of the alphabet to

create simple highly familiar words.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Reading.

### **Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

## Application of the Unit This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of reading.

#### **Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Recognise letters of the alphabet
- 1.1 *Identify* letters of the alphabet
- 1.2 Match upper and lower case letters
- 1.3 Identify vowels of the alphabet
- 1.4 Identify consonants of the alphabet
- 1.5 Sequence groups of letters according to their alphabetical order
- 2 Use letters of the alphabet
- 2.1 Match different letters to pictures beginning with the letter
- 2.2 Match letters of the alphabet to their sounds
- 2.3 Identify letters of the alphabet in *simple high familiar* words
- 2.4 **Build** a **small bank** of simple highly familiar everyday words

#### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

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#### Required Knowledge:

- · letters as the building blocks of words
- letters are represented in different forms such as upper and lower case
- · letters in words are read from left to right

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to use a limited range of decoding strategies such as relying on visual clues such as letter shapes, flashcards and using past experience and knowledge
- · planning and organising skills to select words and organise them into a bank

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Identify may include: • reading aloud

pointing

· using cues such as letter shapes

Simple highly familiar words

may include:

· own first name

· names of family members

pet names

street names

**Build** may include: • writing

selecting words from available flashcards

typing in words

· participating in a word game

selecting words interactively via touchscreen

**Small bank** may include:

• five simple highly familiar everyday words such as:

- family names

- names of friends

place names

- familiar objects

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

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# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to recognise letters of the alphabet and use them to build simple highly familiar words that are related to personal and practical needs
- match upper and lower case letters

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- the use of alternative communication aids where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

## Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- · observation of the learner:
  - matching letters to pictures
  - using a range of decoding strategies to recognise letters of the alphabet
- small bank of simple, highly familiar words created by the learner

Unit Code VU21725

Unit Title Recognise pictures and symbols

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to recognise

pictures and symbols associated with highly familiar contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Reading.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

Application of the Unit This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of reading.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher /

mentor support.

**Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Recognise personally relevant pictures and symbols
- 1.1 Identify personally relevant pictures and symbols
- 1.2 Identify the *features* of the personally relevant pictures and symbols
- 1.3 Recognise simple words associated with the personally relevant pictures and symbols
- 2 Match pictures and symbols with words
- 2.1 Identify *highly familiar*, *personally relevant* functional activities
- 2.2 Match pictures or symbols related to highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities
- 2.3 Identify *highly familiar*, *personally relevant group activities*
- 2.4 Match pictures or symbols related to highly familiar, personally relevant group activities

#### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

• limited range of words to assist in recognising the meaning of pictures and symbols such Certificates in Initial Adult Literacy and Numeracy Version 1

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as those related to size and colour

- limited range of strategies used to associate words with pictures or symbols such as:
  - using past experience and knowledge
  - relying on visual clues such as shape and colour
  - incorporating any partial reading skills to assist in decoding
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

#### Required Skills:

· self management skills to seek assistance where required

## **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Personally relevant pictures and symbols may include:

- safety signs and symbols:
  - no smoking
  - stop
- pictures of:
  - foods / beverages
  - items of clothing
  - phone / tablet / computer / game console
  - people / animals

**Features** may include: size

shape

colour

Simple words associated with • names of: the personally relevant pictures and symbols may include:

people

favourite foods

items of clothing

emotions such as like / dislike

actions such as stop / go

Highly familiar personally relevant functional activities may include:

eating

washing

dressing

shopping

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travelling

Highly familiar, personally relevant group activities may include:

- social activities
- work interactions
- classroom situations

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 use a limited range of strategies to identify and make meaning of pictures and symbols that are related to highly familiar personally relevant functional and group activities.

In order to support authentic assessment this unit can be assessed with the unit *VU21727 Communicate using pictures and symbols*.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- the use of alternative communication aids where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- · may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner identifying
  - highly familiar pictures and symbols:
  - the meaning of pictures and symbols
- third party reports detailing the learner's ability to recognise pictures and symbols



Unit Code VU21726

Unit Title Read simple words

**Unit Descriptor** This unit describes the skills and knowledge to read a simple

sequence of words in a limited range of highly familiar,

personally relevant contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Reading.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of reading.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher /

mentor support.

Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Read simple, highly familiar personally relevant words
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Identify *highly familiar personally relevant settings*
- 1.3 Identify *highly familiar*, *personally relevant words*
- 2 Use simple, highly familiar personally relevant words
- 2.1 Identify *related highly familiar, personally relevant* words
- 2.2 **Connect** related highly familiar personally relevant words
- 2.3 Follow a *simple written instruction* to confirm understanding

#### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies used to interpret the meaning of words such as:
  - word attack skills



- using past experience and knowledge
- asking questions to clarify meaning
- left to right reading
- letters of the alphabet to enable reading of simple words

#### Required Skills:

 planning and organising skills to sequence highly familiar personally relevant words and follow a simple written instruction

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- · recreational activities
- travel / mobility needs
- · personal details
- personal needs:
  - washing / dressing
  - eating

Highly familiar, personally relevant settings may include:

- home
- school
- social situations

Highly familiar, personally relevant words may include:

names of people

comfort / discomfort such as hot / cold

favourite foods

emotions such as like / dislike

sight words in simple, predictable texts

Related highly familiar, personally relevant words may include:

- · days of the week
- months of the year
- Dolch Everyday Words
- expressive:
  - like and dislike
  - good and bad
- instructions:
  - do not enter



no exit

#### **Connect** may include:

- two instructional words:
  - no exit / no entry
  - pay here / order here
- informative words:
  - "my name is ......"
  - 'I live at ....."
- expressive words:
  - "I like ......"
  - "I need ......"
- days of the week

# **Simple written instruction** may include

- · choosing correct male or female toilet
- identifying entry and exit points in a familiar environment
- · identifying order and pay stations in food outlets

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 use a limited range of strategies to identify, sequence and make meaning of highly familiar personally relevant words

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- the use of alternative communication aids where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete in context

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- · may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided



## Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- · observation of the learner:
  - following a simple written instruction
  - using words in their correct context
- hard copy or electronic portfolio of connected words compiled by the learner.

Unit Code VU21727

Unit Title Communicate using pictures and symbols

**Unit Descriptor** This unit describes the skills and knowledge to communicate

using pictures and symbols associated with highly familiar

contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Reading.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of reading.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher /

mentor support.

Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Recognise personally relevant pictures and symbols
- 1.1 Identify personally relevant pictures and symbols
- 1.2 Identify the *features* of the personally relevant pictures and symbols
- 2 Communicate using pictures and symbols
- 2.1 Identify *highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities*
- 2.2 Match relevant pictures and / or symbols with highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities
- 2.3 Identify *highly familiar, personally relevant group activities*
- 2.4 Match relevant pictures and / or symbols with highly familiar, personally relevant group activities

#### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

 limited range of strategies to assist in interpreting the meaning of pictures and symbols such as:



- using past experience and knowledge
- relying on visual clues such as shape, colour and size
- incorporating any partial reading skills to assist in choosing appropriate words and items
- asking questions to clarify meaning

#### Required Skills:

· self management skills to seek assistance where required

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Personally relevant pictures and symbols may include:

- safety signs and symbols:
  - no smoking
  - stop
  - exit
- pictures of:
  - foods / beveragesitems of clothing
  - phone / tablet / computer / game console
  - people / animals

**Features** may include:

- size
- shape
- colour

Highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities may include:

- eating
- washing
- dressing
- shopping
- travelling

Highly familiar, personally relevant group activities may include:

- · social activities
- work interactions
- classroom situations

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.



# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 use a limited range of strategies to identify and communicate the meaning of simple highly familiar pictures and symbols that are related to highly familiar personally relevant functional and group activities.

In order to support authentic assessment this unit can be assessed with the unit *VU21725 Recognise pictures and symbols*.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- the use of alternative communication aids where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete in context

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner matching pictures and symbols relevant pictures and / or symbols with highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities and group activities
- examples of written / typed or spoken words matched to the correct picture or symbol
- third party reports detailing the learner's ability to communicate the meaning of pictures and symbols

# Unit Title Write simple words

# Unit Descriptor

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to write a simple sequence of words in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Reading.

# **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

# **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the beginning stage of writing.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### **Element**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Write a short sequence of highly familiar, personally relevant words
- 1.1 Identify *highly familiar*, *personally relevant items*
- 1.2 **Write** the names of the highly familiar personally relevant items
- 1.3 Recognise words associated with the highly familiar personally relevant items
- 1.4 Use identified words to write a **simple opinion** about the highly relevant personal items
- Write a short sequence of simple words for immediate practical / functional / group needs
- 2.1 Identify words for *highly familiar*, *personally relevant* functional activities
- 2.2 Write words associated with the highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities
- 2.3 Use identified words to write a simple opinion about the highly relevant functional activities
- 2.4 Identify *highly familiar*, *personally relevant group interactions*
- 2.5 Write a simple sequence of words associated with the group interactions



# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

## Required Knowledge:

- letters of the alphabet and basic rules of spelling to enable writing of simple words
- limited range of strategies used to interpret the meaning of words such as:
  - using past experience and knowledge
  - relying on visual clues
  - incorporating any partial writing skills to assist in choosing appropriate words and items
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

## Required Skills:

 planning and organising skills to write a simple sequence using highly familiar personally relevant words

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar, personally relevant items may include:

- foods / beverages
- clothing
- people
- pets

Write may include:

- pen and paper
- keyboard typing
- touch screen typing

Words associated with the highly familiar personally relevant items may include:

- names of people
- favourite foods
- · emotions such as like / dislike
- colours

Simple opinion may include:

- l like.....
- ▶ I want.....
- I need .....
- I have a .......



# Highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities may include:

- eating
- washing
- dressing
- shopping
- travelling

# Words associated with the highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities may include:

- imperatives:
  - no exit / entry
  - stop
  - walk / don't walk
- personal comfort / discomfort
- personal preference
- hunger / thirst

# Highly familiar, personally relevant group interactions may include:

- with:
  - class mates
  - family members
  - friends / social groups
  - work colleagues

Simple sequence of words associated with the group *interactions* may include:

- I am ......
- My name is ......

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

**Critical aspects for** assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

use a limited range of strategies to identify, sequence and write highly familiar personally relevant words for items, functional activities and group interactions

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

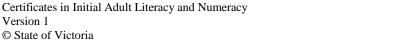
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Assessment must ensure:

- the use of electronic writing alternatives where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

may require strong support from the context, including



### visual cues

- · may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

- · observation of the learner writing simple words
- portfolio of simple sequences of words created by the learner

# **Unit Code**

# VU21729

# **Unit Title**

# Communicate orally using single words

# **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to communicate orally using mainly single word statements in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional and group contexts. Communication may be by way of augmentative communication devices where the learner has little or no speech.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Oral Communication.

# **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

# **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the beginning stage of developing oracy.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

## **Element**

# **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Communicate using simple, highly familiar personally relevant words
- 1.1 Identify *highly familiar*, *personally relevant items*
- 1.2 **Orally communicate** the names of the highly familiar personally relevant items
- 1.3 Identify words associated with the highly familiar personally relevant items
- 1.4 Use identified words to orally communicate a *simple opinion* about the highly relevant personal items
- 2 Orally communicate words for immediate practical / functional / group needs
- 2.1 Identify words for *highly familiar*, *personally relevant* functional activities
- 2.2 Orally communicate words associated with the highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities
- 2.3 Use identified words to orally communicate a simple opinion about the highly relevant functional activities
- 2.4 Identify *highly familiar*, *personally relevant group interactions*



# 2.5 Orally communicate words associated with the group interactions

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

## Required Knowledge:

• limited range of strategies to assist in communication such as body language, facial expressions and gestures

## Required Skills:

 problem solving skills to identify appropriate words for items, activities and group interactions

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar, personally relevant items may include:

- objects
- pictures
- symbols

*Orally communicate* may include:

- uttering words that are intelligible to the listener
- speaking words face to face or into a recording device
- · using augmentative communication devices

Words associated with the highly familiar personally relevant items may include:

- · names of people
- items of clothing
- favourite foods
- emotions such as like / dislike

Simple opinion may include:

- simple like / dislike
- feeling toward family member / friend / pet
- · response to a closed question:
  - are you hungry?

Highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities may include:

- eating
- washing
- dressing



- shopping
- travelling

Words associated with the highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities may include:

- imperatives:
  - no exit / entry
  - stop
  - walk / don't walk
- personal comfort / discomfort
- hunger / thirst

Highly familiar, personally relevant group interactions may include:

- with:
  - class mates
  - family members
  - friends / social groups
  - work colleagues

Words associated with the group interactions may include:

- · greetings / farewells
- acknowledgements

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and make meaning of simple highly familiar items and words that are related to personal, practical and group needs
- orally communicate words that are related to personal, practical and group needs

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete in context
- the use of augmentative communication devices where required for candidates with little or no speech

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where



# prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner orally communicating a range of highly familiar personally relevant words related to items, activities and group interactions
- recording of the learner speaking a range of highly familiar personally relevant words related to items, activities and group interactions.

Unit Title Recognise and use whole numbers from 1 to 10

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to recognise and

use whole number figures from 1 to 10 in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional, informative and group

contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Numeracy.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the beginning stage of counting.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify whole number figures from 1 to 10
- 1.1 Identify whole number figures relevant to *personal* needs
- 1.2 Identify whole number figures relevant to *practical* / *functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify whole number figures relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify whole number figures relevant to co-operative needs
- 2 Count and record whole numbers from 1 to 10
- 2.1 **Count and record** whole numbers for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record whole numbers for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record whole numbers for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record whole numbers for co-operative needs



- 3 Use whole number figures from 1 to 10
- 3.1 Use whole numbers in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use whole numbers in a *practical / functional context*
- 3.3 Use whole numbers in an *informative context*
- 3.4 Use whole numbers in a *co-operative context*

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

## Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in recognising and counting number figures from 1 to 10 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using fingers to count and verify numbers

## Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of whole number figures from 1 to 10 such as recognising a:
  - phone number
  - birth date
- planning and organising skills to count whole number figures from 1 to 10 in sequence

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

### Personal needs may include:

- number of immediate family members
- phone number
- clothing / shoe size
- · birth date

# **Practical / functional needs** may include:

- floor numbers on elevator control panel
- · amount of washing powder needed
- bus or tram route numbers

# *Informative needs* may include:

- forecast temperature
- calendar dates related to appointments
- work / emergency phone number



# **Co-operative needs** may include:

- phone number of social group or friend
- number of cups / plates required to offer food and drink to a small group
- number of food items required for a small group:
- number of people in a group

# **Count and record** may include:

- state numbers aloud
- · write number figures
- use objects or fingers
- identify small group of familiar objects

#### **Personal context** may include:

- using the phone
- selecting the desired television station

# **Practical / functional context** may include:

- filling in a form
- selecting the correct button in an elevator to go to a specific level

# Informative context may include:

- providing own phone number
- marking a relevant date in a calendar

# **Co-operative context** may include:

- providing a cup for each member of a small group
- providing number of seats required for a small gathering

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and make meaning of whole numbers from 1 to 10
- count sequentially, record and use whole numbers from 1 to 10 in a range of contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example providing a personal phone number may apply to both the personal and informative context.



# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- · may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items from 1 to 10 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures or using objects or fingers
  - making meaning of numbers by using them in a range of familiar contexts
  - locating specific number figures on a number chart
- third party reports detailing the correct use of numbers from 1 to 10

Unit Title Recognise and use whole numbers from 11

to 20

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to recognise and

use whole number figures from 11 to 20 in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional, informative and group

contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Numeracy.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

are at the beginning stage of counting.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher /

mentor support.

# Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify whole number figures from 11 to 20
- 1.1 Identify whole number figures relevant to *personal* needs
- 1.2 Identify whole number figures relevant to *practical* / *functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify whole number figures relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify whole number figures relevant to *co-operative needs*
- 2 Count and record whole numbers from 11 to 20
- 2.1 **Count and record** whole numbers for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record whole numbers for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record whole numbers for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record whole numbers for co-operative needs



- 3 Use whole number figures from 11 to 20
- 3.1 Use whole numbers in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use whole numbers in a *practical / functional context*
- 3.3 Use whole numbers in an *informative context*
- 3.4 Use whole numbers in a *co-operative context*

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

## Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in recognising and counting number figures from 11 to 20 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

## Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of whole number figures from 11 to 20 such as recognising:
  - money amounts
  - page numbers
- planning and organising skills to count whole number figures from 11 to 20 in sequence

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

# **Personal needs** may include:

- clothing / shoe sizes
- birth date
- own phone number
- address
- · appointment times

# **Practical / functional needs** may include:

- floor numbers on elevator control panel
- page numbers
- · money amounts

# Informative needs may

include:

- forecast temperature
- calendar dates related to appointments



- work / emergency phone number
- tram and bus routes

# **Co-operative needs** may include:

- phone number of social group or friend
- number of chairs required for a group

# Count and record may include:

- state numbers aloud
- write number figures
- · use objects or number line

### **Personal context** may include:

- using the phone
- recording an appointment

# **Practical / functional context** may include:

- completing a form
- going to the correct floor in a building

# *Informative context* may include:

- providing own phone number
- marking a relevant date in a calendar

# **Co-operative context** may

include:

# work meeting

social activity

# **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and make meaning of whole numbers from 11 to 20
- count in sequence, record and use whole numbers from 11 to 20 in a range of contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional context.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete



At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items from 11 to 20 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures or using objects or fingers
  - making meaning of numbers by using them in a range of familiar contexts
  - locating specific number figures in a number chart
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of numbers from 11 to 20

Unit Title Recognise and use whole numbers from 21

to 50

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to recognise and

use whole number figures from 21 to 50 in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional, informative and group

contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Numeracy.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

Application of the Unit This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of counting.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher /

mentor support.

# Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify whole number figures from 21 to 50
- 1.1 Identify whole number figures relevant to *personal* needs
- 1.2 Identify whole number figures relevant to *practical* / *functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify whole number figures relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify whole number figures relevant to *co-operative needs*
- 2 Count and record whole numbers from 21 to 50
- 2.1 **Count and record** whole numbers for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record whole numbers for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record whole numbers for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record whole numbers for co-operative needs



- 3 Use whole number figures from 21 to 50
- 3.1 Use whole numbers in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use whole numbers in a *practical / functional context*
- 3.3 Use whole numbers in an *informative context*
- 3.4 Use whole numbers in a *co-operative context*

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

## Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in recognising and counting number figures from 21 to 50 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line or ruler to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

# Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of whole number figures from 21 to 50 such as recognising:
  - money amounts
  - page numbers
- planning and organising skills to count whole number figures from 21 to 50 in sequence

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

# Personal needs may include:

- · birth date
- own phone number
- address
- money amounts for personal items
- telling the time

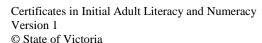
# **Practical / functional needs** may include:

- floor numbers on elevator control panel
- page numbers
- money amounts
- room numbers

# *Informative needs* may

include:

• forecast temperature





- calendar dates related to appointments
- work / emergency phone number
- bus or tram routes and stops

# **Co-operative needs** may include:

- phone number of social group or friend
- calendar dates for social or work activities

## Count and record may include: • state numbers aloud

- write number figures
- · use objects or number line

### **Personal context** may include:

- using the phone
- recording an appointment

# Practical / functional context may include:

- · completing a form
- going to the correct floor in a building

# Informative context may include:

- · providing own phone number
- marking a relevant date in a calendar

# **Co-operative context** may

include:

# work meeting

social activity

# **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and make meaning of whole numbers from 21 to 50
- count in sequence, record and use whole numbers from 21 to 50 in a range of contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner. for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional context.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and



#### concrete

### At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

- · observation of the learner:
  - counting items from 21 to 50 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures or using objects or number line
  - making meaning of numbers by using them in a range of familiar contexts
  - locating specific number figures in a number chart
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of numbers from 21 to 50

Unit Title Recognise and use whole numbers from 51

to 200

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to recognise and

use whole number figures from 51 to 200 in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional, informative and group

contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Numeracy.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

are at the beginning stage of counting.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher /

mentor support.

**Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify whole number figures from 51 to 200
- 1.1 Identify whole number figures relevant to *personal* needs
- 1.2 Identify whole number figures relevant to *practical* / *functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify whole number figures relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify whole number figures relevant to *co-operative needs*
- 2 Count and record whole numbers from 51 to 200
- 2.1 **Count and record** whole numbers for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record whole numbers for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record whole numbers for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record whole numbers for co-operative needs



- 3 Use whole number figures from 51 to 200
- 3.1 Use whole numbers in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use whole numbers in a *practical / functional context*
- 3.3 Use whole numbers in an *informative context*
- 3.4 Use whole numbers in a *co-operative context*

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

## Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in recognising and counting number figures from 51 to 200 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line or ruler to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

## Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of whole number figures from 51 to 200 such as recognising :
  - money amounts
  - page numbers
- planning and organising skills to count whole number figures from 51 to 200 in sequence

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

# **Personal needs** may include:

- bill payments
- savings deposits
- wages

# Practical / functional needs

may include:

- items to be purchased
- · speed limits

# *Informative needs* may include:

- calendar dates related to appointments
- work / emergency phone number
- bus and tram routes and stops

# Co-operative needs may

include:

providing food for a group

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participating in a group activity

Count and record may include: • state numbers aloud

- write number figures
- use objects or number line

Personal context may include:

- managing own money
- making bank counter or ATM withdrawals

Practical / functional context may include:

making purchases

**Informative context** may include:

making arrangements for activities

**Co-operative context** may include:

· participating in activities

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and make meaning of whole numbers from 51 to 200
- count in sequence, record and use whole numbers from 51 to 200 in a range of highly familiar contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner. for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional or group context.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

 assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- · can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

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# Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items from 51 to 200 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures or using objects or number line
  - making meaning of numbers by using them in a range of familiar contexts
  - locating specific number figures in a number chart
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of numbers from 51 to 200

Unit Title Recognise and use simple fractions

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to recognise and

understand the use of familiar simple fractions of ½ and ¼ in highly familiar personal, functional, informative and group

contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

Application of the Unit This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher /

mentor support.

Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify and record simple fractions
- 1.1 Identify and record simple fractions related to personal needs
- 1.2 Identify and record simple fractions related to *practical* / functional needs
- 1.3 Identify and record simple fractions related to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify and record simple fractions related to cooperative needs
- 2 Use simple fractions
- 2.1 Use simple fractions in a *personal context*
- 2.2 Use simple fractions in a *practical / functional context*
- 2.3 Use simple fractions in an *informative context*
- 2.4 Use simple fractions in a *co-operative context*

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.



## Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to recognise and make meaning of simple fractions such as using:
  - concrete objects or liquids that can be halved and quartered
  - graphic representations of halves and quarters

## Required Skills:

problem solving skills to recognise halves and quarters

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Simple fractions include: • ½

• 1/4

**Personal needs** may include: • sharing

sharing items with others

· learning about time

purchasing sale items

**Practical / functional needs** may include:

· ordering quantities

• taking breaks of specified time such as ½ an hour

*Informative needs* may include:

identifying quantities such as ½ teaspoon for dosages

identifying quantities such as ¼ cup for recipes

**Co-operative needs** may include:

• sharing items with others equally in halves or quarters

splitting group members into twos or fours

Personal context may include:

• identifying when an item is on sale:

- ½ off

sharing a cake equally between 2 or 4 people

**Practical / functional context** may include:

purchasing ½ or ¼ quantities of items

Informative context may include:

• identifying halves and quarters in sporting contests

· taking medicines

preparing recipes

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# **Co-operative context** may include:

- sharing items with others in work or social groups
- sharing food with others:
  - cutting a cake into quarters

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and record the simple fractions of ½ and ¼ either verbally or as written figures
- use the simple fractions of ½ and ¼ in highly familiar, personally relevant contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying items on sale may apply to both the personal and practical / functional context.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

- · observation of the learner:
  - matching ½ and ¼ fraction figures to corresponding concrete objects such as ¼ of a cake and ½ a bottle of water
  - identifying ½ and ¼ fraction figures from a list of fraction figures
- third party reports detailing the correct use and /or identification of simple fractions in highly familiar personally relevant contexts.



Unit Title Recognise and use time

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to recognise and

use digital or clock face time in highly familiar personal,

functional, informative and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

Application of the Unit This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher /

mentor support.

Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify and record digital or clock face time
- 1.1 Identify and record digital or clock face time related to personal needs
- 1.2 Identify and record digital clock face time related to practical / functional needs
- 1.3 Identify and record digital clock face time related to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify and record digital clock face time related to **co- operative needs**
- 2 Apply time to highly familiar activities
- 2.1 Use digital or clock face time in a *personal context*
- 2.2 Use digital or clock face time in a *practical / functional context*
- 2.3 Use digital or clock face time in an *informative context*
- 2.4 Use digital or clock face time in a **co-operative context**

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.



# Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to recognise and make meaning of digital or clock face time such as:
  - using graphic representations of digital time or clock face and pictures of activities
  - incorporating prior knowledge of halves and quarters

# Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to:
  - recognise full hours, halves and quarters
  - distinguish between am and pm time
  - match specific times with highly familiar activities

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Digital or clock face	time
includes:	

- hours
- · quarter hours
- half hours
- am / pm

## Personal needs may include:

- · waking time
- time of favourite television shows
- meal times

# **Practical / functional needs** may include:

- · work or school start and finish times
- · rest breaks
- arrival / departure time of bus / train

# *Informative needs* may

include:

meeting time

appointment time

# Co-operative needs may

include:

start and finish times for a social activity

start and finish times for a sporting activity

# **Personal context** may include:

- · setting a personal alarm
- · being ready to leave the house at a specific time
- watching a favourite television program



# **Practical / functional context** may include:

- arriving / leaving work / school at the required time
- taking breaks at the specified time/s

# *Informative context* may include:

• attending meetings at the required time

# **Co-operative context** may include:

- being ready to start a social / sporting activity at the required time
- · telling others what time they are expected

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and record digital or clock face time either verbally or in writing
- use hours, half hours and quarter hours in highly familiar, personally relevant contexts
- identify the meaning of am and pm.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying pm time for a social activity such as attending a film may relate to both personal and cooperative contexts.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner:
  - matching specific times of day and night with familiar activities such as 7.00 am wake up, 9.00 am start school



- matching specific times of day and night with corresponding pictures of activities
- portfolio of written exercises:
  - matching specific times of day and night with familiar activities such as 7.00 am wake up, 9.00 am start school
  - matching specific times of day and night with corresponding pictures of activities
- third party reports detailing the correct application of digital or clock face time

# Unit Title Recognise coins and notes

# Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to recognise

single coins and notes related to items for highly familiar

personally relevant items and needs.

The outcomes of this unit do not include any mathematical

functions.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Numeracy.

Employability Skills This unit contains employability skills.

are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

# **Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Recognise monetary symbols
- 1.1 Recognise the symbol for cents
- 1.2 Recognise the symbol for dollars
- 1.3 Recognise the common written form of dollars and cents
- 2 Recognise monetary amounts and values
- 2.1 Recognise coins and their monetary value
- 2.2 Recognise notes and their monetary value
- 2.3 Match monetary amounts to *highly familiar personally* relevant items
- 2.4 Match monetary amounts to *highly familiar personally relevant needs*

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

# Required Knowledge:

limited range of strategies to assist in recognising coins and notes such as:

- using size, shape and colour
- picture representation
- prior knowledge of numbers

#### Required Skills:

• problem solving skills to distinguish the value of coins and notes

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar personally relevant items may include:

- food / drinks
- clothes
- transport tickets

Highly familiar personally relevant needs may include:

- paying:
  - a fare
  - an entry fee
- using a vending machine
- paying for:
  - food or drinks
  - a prepaid mobile phone card
  - a raffle ticket

# **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- recognise number figures written as monetary amounts
- · recognise coins and notes and their monetary value

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example recognising notes and coins can be combined with numeracy units to assist in providing context for learners.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete in context

At this level the learner:



- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner:
  - matching round number figures to their corresponding coins and notes
  - matching coins and notes with highly familiar, personally relevant items
  - locating specific round number figures in shopping catalogues or price lists
- third party reports detailing the learners ability to recognise money amounts.

Unit Title Read phrases

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to read and

understand short, simple phrases in a limited range of highly

familiar, personally relevant contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Reading.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the early stage of reading.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher /

mentor.

Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify simple, highly familiar personally relevant phrases
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Identify *highly familiar personally relevant settings*
- 1.3 Identify *highly familiar, personally relevant phrases* related to activities / needs / settings
- 2 Read simple, highly familiar personally relevant phrases
- 2.1 Locate specific phrases within the body of a sentence
- 2.2 Use a *limited range of reading strategies* to make meaning of phrases
- 2.3 Follow a *simple written instruction* to confirm understanding

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies used to interpret meaning such as:
  - prior knowledge of words and context
  - diagrams / symbols / illustrations

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- asking questions to clarify meaning

# Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to use a limited range of reading strategies to assist in interpreting meaning
- · self management skills to request clarification as required

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- · recreational activities
- travel / mobility
- · completing forms
- choosing meals from a menu
- preparing simple foods
- work activities / tasks

Highly familiar personally relevant settings may include:

- home
- school
- social situations
- · community settings
- work settings

Highly familiar, personally relevant phrases may include:

- instructional related to:
  - operating a piece of equipment
  - preparing a simple recipe
- informative related to:
  - providing information
  - requesting information
- personal / work related to:
  - a simple message
  - task to be completed

Limited range of reading strategies may include:

- using prior knowledge and experience
- using the context of the phrase
- using non-linguistic support:
  - diagrams
  - symbols



- illustrations / photos
- shape
- asking questions to clarify meaning
- phonetics

## **Simple written instruction** may include:

- simple recipe
- · short message
- simple work task

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 apply a limited range of strategies to read and make meaning of short, simple phrases in a limited range of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- the use of alternative communication aids where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- · may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner following a simple written instruction
- matching short simple phrases to their relevant visual representation.



Unit Title Write phrases

**Unit Descriptor** This unit describes the skills and knowledge to write short,

simple phrases in a limited range of limited range of highly

familiar, personally relevant contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Writing.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the early stage of writing.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher /

mentor.

Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify simple, highly familiar personally relevant phrases
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Identify *highly familiar personally relevant settings*
- 1.3 Identify *highly familiar, personally relevant phrases* related to activities / needs / settings
- Write simple, highly familiar personally relevant phrases
- 2.1 Identify the basic features of written phrases
- 2.2 Use a *limited range of writing strategies* to *write* a phrase related to work / personal activities / needs
- 2.3 Use a limited range of writing strategies to write a phrase related to informative / co-operative activities / needs
- 2.4 **Confirm understanding** of the written phrases with an **appropriate person**

#### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

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- · spatial arrangement, word separation and alignment of text
- · small bank of highly familiar words

#### Required Skills:

planning and organising skills to sequence words into phrases

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

## Highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- recreational activities
- travel / mobility
- completing forms
- leaving messages

## Highly familiar personally relevant settings may include:

- home
- school / work
- · social situations
- · community settings

## Highly familiar, personally relevant phrases may include:

- instructional related to:
  - operating a piece of equipment
  - leaving a short message
- informative related to:
  - providing information
  - requesting information
  - reading labels
- personal / work related to:
  - a simple message
  - task to be completed

## Basic features of written phrases may include:

- left to right orientation
- capitalisation of the personal pronoun I
- moving down the page
- simple punctuation

## Limited range of writing strategies may include:

- drawing on past experience and existing knowledge to make connections with phrase content
- copying words from a word list



- checking spelling by copying spelling from other documents
- asking questions to clarify meaning of words

Write may include:

- hand writing
- typing
- · using a touch screen

**Confirm understanding** may include:

- answering a question about the phrase
- following a written instruction

**Appropriate person** may include:

- teacher
- mentor
- workplace supervisor
- friend / classmate

#### **Evidence Guide**

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Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to write at least two simple, highly familiar personally relevant phrases
- confirm understanding of the written phrases

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- the use of alternative communication aids where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:



- observation of the learner using a limited range of strategies to write simple, highly familiar personally relevant phrases
- a portfolio of simple, highly familiar personally relevant phrases written by the learner
- third party reports detailing simple, highly familiar personally relevant phrases written by the learner, such as messages in the home or workplace.

#### Unit Title Communicate orally using phrases

#### Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to communicate

orally using highly familiar, personally relevant phrase type statements in a limited range of highly familiar personal,

functional, informative and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Oral Communication.

#### **Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

## **Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the early stage of developing oracy.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

- Identify highly familiar, personally relevant phrases
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Identify highly familiar personally relevant settings
- 1.3 Identify *highly familiar, personally relevant phrases* related to activities / needs / settings
- 2 Communicate orally using highly familiar, personally relevant phrases
- 2.1 Identify phrases associated with highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities
- 2.2 **Orally communicate** phrases associated with the highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities
- 2.3 Use identified phrases to orally communicate a **simple opinion** about the highly relevant functional activities
- 2.4 Identify *highly familiar*, *personally relevant group interactions*
- 2.5 Orally communicate *phrases associated with the group interactions*



This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in communication such as body language, facial expressions and gestures
- · bank of highly familiar words

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify appropriate phrases for items, activities and group interactions
  - listening skills to participate in oral communication

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- travel / mobility needs
- health needs
- purchasing clothing / food
- · recreational / social activities

Highly familiar personally relevant settings may include:

- home
- school / work
- social / recreational
- community settings

Highly familiar, personally relevant phrases may include:

- greetings
- requests
- introductions
- personal details such as name and address

Phrases associated with the highly familiar, personally relevant functional activities may include:

- instructional related to:
  - operating a piece of equipment
  - leaving a short message
- informative related to:
  - providing information
  - requesting information
- personal / work related to:



- a simple message
- task to be completed

### **Orally communicate** may include:

- responding verbally to questions
- uttering phrases that are intelligible to the listener
- speaking words face to face or into a recording device

#### Simple opinion may include:

- identifying a friend or family member
- expressing a preference
- expressing a need

# Highly familiar, personally relevant group interactions may include:

- with:
  - class mates
  - family members
  - friends / social groups
  - work colleagues

## Phrases associated with the group interactions may include:

- personal inquiries and responses:
  - How are you? I am good
- invitations:
  - Please come in / sit down. Can I come in?
- · requests:
  - Would you like a drink? I would like a drink

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and make meaning of simple highly familiar phrases that are related to personal, practical and group needs
- orally communicate phrases that are related to personal, practical and group needs.

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

may require strong support from the context, including



#### visual cues

- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner using highly familiar, personally relevant phrases to communicate orally in familiar settings
- third party reports detailing the ability of the learner to communicate orally using highly familiar, personally relevant phrase type statements.

#### Unit Title Count and use numbers from 1 to 100

#### Unit Descriptor

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to count whole number figures from 1 to 100 and apply this knowledge in a limited range of familiar personal, functional, informative and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

#### **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

#### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### **Element**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

- 1 Identify whole number figures from 1 to 100
- 1.1 Identify number figures relevant to *personal needs*
- 1.2 Identify number figures relevant to practical / functional needs
- 1.3 Identify number figures relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify number figures relevant to *co-operative needs*
- 2 Count and record by multiples of 1 to 100
- 2.1 **Count and record** numbers for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record numbers for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record numbers for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record numbers for co-operative needs
- 3 Use numbers from 1 to 100
- 3.1 Use numbers from 1 to 100 in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use numbers from 1 to 100 in a *practical / functional context*



- 3.3 Use numbers from 1 to 100 in an *informative context*
- 3.4 Use numbers from 1 to 100 in a *co-operative context*

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in recognising and counting number figures from 1 to 100 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line or ruler to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of whole number figures from 1 to 100 such as recognising:
  - money amounts
  - page numbers
- planning and organising skills to count whole number figures from 1 to 100 in sequence

#### Range Statement

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Personal needs may include:

- bill payments
- savings deposits
- wages
- age
- birthday
- clothes size
- shoe size

**Practical / functional needs** may include:

items to be purchased

speed limits

*Informative needs* may

include:

calendar dates related to appointments

• work / emergency phone number

Co-operative needs maycatering for a group

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include: • participating in a group activity

Count and record may include: • state numbers aloud

write number figures

• use objects or number line

record numbers as money

Personal context may include: • managing own money

· purchasing personal items

**Practical / functional context** may include:

finding an address

making purchases

**Informative context** may include:

· making arrangements for activities

**Co-operative context** may include:

· participating in activities

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and count in sequence whole numbers from 1 to 100
- use whole numbers from 1 to 100 in a range of familiar contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional or group context.

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills



 can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items sequentially from 1 to 100 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures or using a number line
  - making meaning of numbers by using them in a range of familiar contexts
  - locating specific number figures in a number chart
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of numbers from 1 to 100

#### Unit Title Count to 50 by multiples of 2

#### Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to count whole

number figures in multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 and apply this knowledge in a limited range of familiar personal, functional,

informative and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

#### **Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

#### Application of the Unit This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### **Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

- 1 Identify multiples of 2 up to 50
- 1.1 Identify multiples of 2 relevant to *personal needs*
- 1.2 Identify multiples of 2 relevant to *practical / functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify multiples of 2 relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify multiples of 2 relevant to **co-operative needs**
- 2 Count and record multiples of 2 up to 50
- 2.1 **Count and record** multiples of 2 for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record multiples of 2 for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record multiples of 2 for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record multiples of 2 for co-operative needs
- 3 Use multiples of 2 up to 50
- 3.1 Use multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 in a *practical* / functional context



- 3.3 Use multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 in an *informative* context
- 3.4 Use multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 in a **co-operative context**

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in counting multiple of 2 from 2 to 50 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line or number chart to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 such as recognising money amounts
- planning and organising skills to count multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 in sequence
- self management skills to seek assistance and ask questions to clarify meaning when required

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Personal needs may include: • bill payments

savings deposits

wages / payments

Practical / functional needs

may include:

items to be purchased

*Informative needs* may

include:

appointments

time

Co-operative needs may

include:

social / recreational activity

sporting activity

Count and record may include: • count multiples aloud

write number figures

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- · use objects or number line
- record multiples as money

#### **Personal context** may include:

- managing own money:
  - 5 \$2 coins make up \$10

## **Practical / functional context** may include:

counting items to be packed at work

## *Informative context* may include:

- weeks in a month / months in a year
- · time of an appointment or meeting

## **Co-operative context** may include:

- · counting:
  - number of people in a group
  - score in a game

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and count in multiples of 2 from 2 to 50
- use multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 in a range of familiar contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional or group context.

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this



#### unit:

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items in multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures, using a number line or concrete objects
  - making meaning of multiples of 2 from 2 to 50 by using them in a range of familiar contexts
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of multiples of 2 from 2 to 50

#### Unit Title Count to 50 by multiples of 5

#### Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to count whole

number figures in multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 and apply this knowledge in a limited range of familiar personal, functional,

informative and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

#### **Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

#### Application of the Unit This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

- 1 Identify multiples of 5 up to 50
- 1.1 Identify multiples of 5 relevant to *personal needs*
- 1.2 Identify multiples of 5 relevant to *practical / functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify multiples of 5 relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify multiples of 5 relevant to *co-operative needs*
- 2 Count and record multiples of 5 up to 50
- 2.1 **Count and record** multiples of 5 for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record multiples of 5 for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record multiples of 5 for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record multiples of 5 for co-operative needs
- 3 Use multiples of 5 up to 50
- 3.1 Use multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 in a *practical* / functional context



- 3.3 Use multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 in an *informative* context
- 3.4 Use multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 in a **co-operative context**

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in counting multiple of 5 from 5 to 50 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line or number chart to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 such as recognising money amounts
- planning and organising skills to count multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 in sequence
- self management skills to seek assistance and ask questions to clarify meaning when required

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Personal needs may include: • bill payments

· savings deposits / withdrawals

wages / payments

Practical / functional needs

may include:

items to be purchased

*Informative needs* may

include:

appointments

time

Co-operative needs may

include:

social / recreational activity

sporting activity

Count and record may include: • count multiples aloud

write number figures

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- · use objects or number line
- record multiples as money

#### **Personal context** may include:

- managing own money:
  - 2 \$5 notes make up \$10

## **Practical / functional context** may include:

counting items to be packed at work

## *Informative context* may include:

- weeks in a month / months in a year
- time of an appointment or meeting

### **Co-operative context** may include:

- · counting:
  - number of people in a group
  - score in a game

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

#### Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and count in multiples of 5 from 5 to 50
- use multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 in a range of familiar contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional or group context.

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this



#### unit:

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items in multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures, using a number line or concrete objects
  - making meaning of multiples of 5 from 5 to 50 by using them in a range of familiar contexts
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of multiples of 5 from 5 to 50.

#### Unit Title Count to 100 by multiples of 10

#### Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to count whole

number figures in multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 and apply this knowledge in a limited range of familiar personal, functional,

informative and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

#### Employability Skills Th

This unit contains employability skills.

#### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### **Element**

#### Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

- 1 Identify multiples of 10 up to 100
- 1.1 Identify multiples of 10 relevant to *personal needs*
- 1.2 Identify multiples of 10 relevant to *practical / functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify multiples of 10 relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify multiples of 10 relevant to *co-operative needs*
- 2 Count and record multiples of 10 up to 100
- 2.1 **Count and record** multiples of 10 for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record multiples of 10 for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record multiples of 10 for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record multiples of 10 for co-operative needs
- 3 Use multiples of 10 up to 100
- 3.1 Use multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 in a *practical* / functional context



- 3.3 Use multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 in an *informative* context
- 3.4 Use multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 in a **co-operative context**

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in counting multiple of 10 from 10 to 100 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line or number chart to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 such as recognising money amounts
- planning and organising skills to count multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 in sequence
- self management skills to seek assistance and ask questions to clarify meaning when required

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Personal needs may include: • bill payments

· savings deposits / withdrawals

wages / payments

Practical / functional needs

may include:

items to be purchased

*Informative needs* may

include:

appointments

time

Co-operative needs may

include:

social / recreational activity

sporting activity

Count and record may include: • count multiples aloud

write number figures

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- · use objects or number line
- record multiples as money

#### **Personal context** may include:

- managing own money:
  - 10 \$10 notes make up \$100

## **Practical / functional context** may include:

counting items to be packed at work

## *Informative context* may include:

- weeks in a year
- time of an appointment or meeting

## **Co-operative context** may include:

- · counting:
  - number of people in a group
  - score in a game

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and count in multiples of 10 from 10 to 100
- use multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 in a range of familiar contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional or group context.

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this



#### unit:

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items in multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures, using a number line or concrete objects
  - making meaning of multiples of 10 from 10 to 100 by using them in a range of familiar contexts
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of multiples of 10 from 10 to 100.

#### Unit Title Count to 100 by multiples of 20

#### Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to count whole

number figures in multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 and apply this knowledge in a limited range of familiar personal, functional,

informative and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

#### **Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

## **Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### **Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

- 1 Identify multiples of 20 from 20 to 100
- 1.1 Identify multiples of 20 relevant to *personal needs*
- 1.2 Identify multiples of 20 relevant to *practical / functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify multiples of 20 relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify multiples of 20 relevant to *co-operative needs*
- 2 Count and record multiples of 20 from 20 to 100
- 2.1 **Count and record** multiples of 20 for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record multiples of 20 for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record multiples of 20 for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record multiples of 20 for co-operative needs
- 3 Use multiples of 20 from 20 to 100
- 3.1 Use multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 in a *practical* / functional context



- 3.3 Use multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 in an *informative* context
- 3.4 Use multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 in a **co-operative context**

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in counting multiple of 20 from 20 to 100 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line or number chart to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 such as recognising money amounts
- planning and organising skills to count multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 in sequence
- self management skills to seek assistance and ask questions to clarify meaning when required

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Personal needs may include: • bill payments

· savings deposits / withdrawals

wages / payments

Practical / functional needs

may include:

items to be purchased

*Informative needs* may

include:

appointments

time

Co-operative needs may

include:

social / recreational activity

sporting activity

Count and record may include: • count multiples aloud

write number figures

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- · use objects or number line
- record multiples as money

#### **Personal context** may include:

- managing own money:
  - 5 \$20 notes make up \$100

## **Practical / functional context** may include:

counting items to be packed at work

## *Informative context* may include:

- weeks in a year
- time of an appointment or meeting

## **Co-operative context** may include:

- · counting:
  - number of people in a group
  - score in a game

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

#### Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and count in multiples of 20 from 20 to 100
- use multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 in a range of familiar contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional or group context.

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this



#### unit:

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items in multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures, using a number line or concrete objects
  - making meaning of multiples of 20 from 20 to 100 by using them in a range of familiar contexts
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of multiples of 20 from 20 to 100.

#### Unit Title Count to 1000 by multiples of 50

#### Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to count whole

number figures in multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 and apply this knowledge in a limited range of familiar personal,

functional, informative and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

#### **Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

## **Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the beginning stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### **Element**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

- 1 Identify multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000
- 1.1 Identify multiples of 50 relevant to *personal needs*
- 1.2 Identify multiples of 50 relevant to *practical / functional needs*
- 1.3 Identify multiples of 50 relevant to *informative needs*
- 1.4 Identify multiples of 50 relevant to *co-operative needs*
- 2 Count and record multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000
- 2.1 **Count and record** multiples of 50 for personal needs
- 2.2 Count and record multiples of 50 for practical / functional needs
- 2.3 Count and record multiples of 50 for informative needs
- 2.4 Count and record multiples of 50 for co-operative needs
- 3 Use multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000
- 3.1 Use multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 in a *personal context*
- 3.2 Use multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 in a *practical* / functional context



- 3.3 Use multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 in an *informative context*
- 3.4 Use multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 in a **co-operative context**

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in counting multiple of 50 from 50 to 1000 such as:
  - using relevant concrete objects
  - using a number line or number chart to assist in counting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify relevant use of multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 such as recognising money amounts
- planning and organising skills to count multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 in sequence
- self management skills to seek assistance and ask questions to clarify meaning when required

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Personal needs may include: • bill payments

· savings deposits / withdrawals

wages / payments

Practical / functional needs

may include:

· items to be purchased

weights / measures

Informative needs may

include:

appointments

time

Co-operative needs may

include:

social / recreational activity

sporting activity

Count and record may include: • count multiples aloud

write number figures

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- · use objects or number line
- record multiples as money

#### **Personal context** may include:

- · managing own money:
  - 2 \$50 notes make up \$100

## **Practical / functional context** may include:

counting items to be packed at work

## *Informative context* may include:

- weeks in a year
- time of an appointment or meeting

## **Co-operative context** may include:

- · counting:
  - number of people in a group
  - score in a game

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

#### Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to identify and count in multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000
- use multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 in a range of familiar contexts.

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example identifying money amounts may apply to both the personal and practical / functional or group context.

## Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this



#### unit:

- observation of the learner:
  - counting items in multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 by saying numbers aloud, writing number figures, using a number line or concrete objects
  - making meaning of multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000 by using them in a range of familiar contexts
- third party reports detailing the recognition and use of multiples of 50 from 50 to 1000.

#### Unit Title Read simple sentences

#### Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to read and make

meaning of simple sentences in a limited range of highly

familiar, personally relevant contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Reading.

#### **Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

#### Application of the Unit This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities s who

are at the early stage of reading.

Learners at this level may require the support of a

teacher/mentor.

#### **Element**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

- Read simple, highly familiar personally relevant sentences for personal needs
- 1.1 Identify *highly familiar personally relevant activities* / needs
- 1.2 Identify *highly familiar personally relevant settings*
- 1.3 Identify simple sentences related to highly familiar personally relevant needs
- 1.4 Locate specific information within the sentence
- 1.5 Use a limited *range of strategies to make meaning of simple sentences* related to highly familiar personally relevant needs
- 1.6 Express an opinion about the information in the sentences
- 2 Read simple sentences for immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.1 Identify *immediate functional/practical* needs/activities
- 2.2 Identify simple sentences related to immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.3 Locate specific information within the sentence



- 2.4 Use a limited range of strategies to make meaning of simple sentences related to immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.5 Express an opinion about the information in the sentences

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- · reading strategies to interpret information in simple sentences
  - using past experience and knowledge
  - relying on visual clues such as photos
  - using surrounding words and phrases to predict words
  - decoding meaning
  - asking questions to clarify meaning
- simple high frequency vocabulary related to needs in highly familiar, personally relevant contexts

#### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to identify personal needs and use a limited range of reading strategies to interpret meaning in simple sentences associated with those needs
- · self management skills to seek assistance where required

#### Range Statement

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

## Highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- health
- safety
- recreational/sporting activities
- travel / mobility
- completing forms

## Highly familiar personally relevant settings may include:

- home
- school
- social situations
- community settings
- group settings



# Simple sentences related to highly familiar personally relevant needs may include:

- simple sentences from a personal diary
- simple descriptive sentences about local landmarks or places of interest
- simple sentences from local newspapers or simple stories
- simple sentences from an email/ text message
- simple descriptive sentences about various topics:
  - sporting teams
  - friends and family
  - social and group activities
- · simple sentences in a form

## Range of strategies to make meaning of simple sentences may include:

- · reading aloud
- re-reading
- · matching words and pictures
- breaking down sentences
- · sequencing sentence components

# Immediate functional/practical needs/activities may include:

- workplace activities
- travel / mobility
- cooking
- using equipment/tools in the workplace or home

# Simple sentences related to immediate functional/practical needs may include:

- · simple information on medications
- ATM or EFTPOS instructions
- health and safety instructions
- recipe instructions
- pictures and sentences in magazines
- work rosters
- planting seed instructions on packets

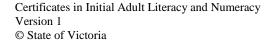
#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 apply a limited range of strategies to read and make meaning of short, simple sentences in a limited range





### competency in this unit

of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts

In order to support authentic assessment this unit can be assessed with the unit *VU21741 Write simple sentences* as both units relate to familiar sentences that are personally relevant to the learner.

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- the use of alternative communication aids where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- · may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

### Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner:
  - reading simple sentences
  - applying limited strategies to make meaning from simple sentences
- responses to questions about the simple sentences

Unit Code VU21741

Unit Title Write simple sentences

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to write simple

sentences in a limited range of highly familiar personal,

functional and group contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Writing.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who

are at the early stage of writing.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher /

mentor.

**Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1. Write simple sentences for personal needs
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Prepare the *content* for the sentences related to personal needs
- 1.3 Write simple sentences related to personally relevant needs
- 1.4 Check the sentences with support person
- Write simple sentences for immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.1 Identify *immediate functional/practical* needs/activities
- 2.2 Prepare the content for sentences related to functional/practical needs/activities
- 2.3 Write simple sentences related to functional/practical relevant needs
- 2.4 Check sentences with support person

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

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### Required Knowledge:

- spatial arrangement, word separation and alignment of text from left to right, top to bottom
- letters of the alphabet and their combinations
- · simple punctuation such as full stops
- a small bank of words and phrases related to highly familiar personal, functional and group contexts to enable the preparation of content
- Writing strategies to write simple sentences:
  - drawing on past experience and existing knowledge to provide content for sentences
  - sequencing information
  - using words from a word list
  - checking sentences by re-reading and self correcting
  - asking questions to clarify meaning

### Required Skills:

- organisational skills to construct short written text of one or two phrases / sentences with support
- literacy skills to write mostly legible script

### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- health
- safety
- recreational activities
- travel / mobility
- completing forms
- · communicating with family and friends

Content may include:

- individual words
- phrases
- supporting visuals such as photos

Write may include:

- hand writing
- typing
- using a touch screen
- using other augmentative devices



# Simple sentences related to personally relevant needs may include:

- · descriptive sentences
  - family/friends
  - sports/hobbies
  - foods
- simple sentences offering an opinion
- diary entry
- email/SMS text
- · birthday card

# Immediate functional/practical needs/activities may include:

- · workplace activities
- travel / mobility
- cooking
- shopping
- using equipment/tools in the workplace or home
- group activities

# Simple sentences related to functional/practical relevant needs may include:

- · completing forms
  - memberships
- · writing simple messages
- writing a shopping list

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 apply a limited range of strategies to write short, simple sentences in a limited range of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts

In order to support authentic assessment this unit can be assessed with the unit *VU21740 Read simple sentences* as both units relate to familiar sentences that are personally relevant to the learner.

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- the use of alternative communication aids where required
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete



· access to a bank of words

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

### Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner using a limited range of strategies to write simple, highly familiar personally relevant sentences
- a portfolio of simple, highly familiar personally relevant sentences written by the learner
- third party reports detailing simple, highly familiar personally relevant sentences written by the learner, such as messages in the home or workplace.

### **Unit Code**

### VU21742

### **Unit Title**

### Communicate orally using simple sentences

### **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to communicate using highly familiar, personally relevant sentence type statements in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional, informative and group contexts.

Communication may be by way of augmentative communication devices where the learner has little or no speech.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Oral Communication.

### **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the early stage of developing oracy.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### **Element**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Communicate orally for personal needs
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Use *simple sentence statements* to *orally communicate* personally relevant needs
- 1.3 Use simple sentence statements to respond to questions related to personal needs
- 1.4 Respond to requests for repetition or clarification
- 2 Communicate orally for functional/practical needs
- 2.1 Identify highly familiar *functional/practical activities/needs*
- 2.2 Orally communicate functional/practical needs using simple sentence statements
- 2.3 Use simple sentence statements to respond to questions related to functional/practical needs



- 2.4 Respond to requests for repetition or clarification
- 3 Communicate orally to participate in a group activity
- 3.1 Identify highly familiar group participation needs
- 3.2 Use simple sentence statements to orally communicate in relation to a group activity
- 3.3 Use simple sentence statements to orally communicate an opinion as part of a group activity
- 3.4 Use simple sentence statements to respond to questions related to the group activity
- 3.5 Respond to requests for repetition or clarification in relation to the group activity

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

### Required Knowledge:

- limited range of strategies to assist in oral communication exchanges:
  - repeating information
  - clarifying information
  - drawing on personal experiences
- simple structure and sequence of a sentence to convey simple information
- bank of highly familiar words to use in oral communication

### Required Skills:

- non-verbal communication techniques to support oral communication:
  - gesturing
  - using facial expressions
- listening skills to participate in oral communication and respond to questions

#### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

### Personally relevant activities / • health and safety **needs** may include:

- shopping
- recreational activities
- travel / mobility
- completing forms



· communicating with family and friends

### **Simple sentence statements** may include:

- providing specific information about and/or describing:
  - objects
  - pictures/symbols
  - signs
  - places
  - people
  - likes/dislikes
- for personal needs:
  - asking for directions
- for functional/practical needs:
  - instructions for the use of specific tools
  - requests for assistance
  - health and safety instructions
  - workplace rosters
  - goods and services transactions
  - identifying a problem
- · related to group participation:
  - instructions for a group activity
  - questions about a group activity
  - information about a group activity
  - expressing an opinion / making a suggestion
  - introducing oneself

### *Orally communicate* may include:

- uttering sentences that are mostly intelligible to the listener
- speaking words face to face or into a recording device
- using augmentative communication devices to communicate

### Functional/practical activities/needs may include:

- · workplace activities and tasks
- travel / mobility
- cooking
- using equipment/tools in the workplace or home

### **Group participation needs** may include:

- communicating orally with:
  - class mates
  - family members
  - friends / social groups

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- work colleagues
- using simple oral communication convention such as
  - greeting
  - introducing oneself
  - taking turns

### **Group activity** may include:

- participating in a small group discussion
- presenting a group project or report
- participating in a role play

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

### Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use a limited range of strategies to assist oral communication exchanges that are related to personal, practical and group needs
- orally communicate personal, practical and group needs by using simple sentences

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

#### Assessment must ensure:

- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete
- the use of augmentative communication devices where required for candidates with little or no speech

#### At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

### Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner using highly familiar, personally relevant phrases to communicate orally in familiar settings
- third party reports detailing the ability of the learner to communicate orally using highly familiar, personally relevant phrase type statements.



### **Unit Code**

### VU21755

### **Unit Title**

### Use simple addition skills

### **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to use simple addition skills with simple whole number amounts, which involve carrying over, in a limited range of highly familiar personal and functional contexts. This may involve the use of a calculator.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

### **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the early stage of numeracy development.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher / mentor.

### **Element**

### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Use simple addition for personal needs
- 1.1 Identify *highly familiar personally relevant activities* / needs
- 1.2 Recognise and locate simple whole numbers related to own immediate personal needs
- 1.3 Use whole numbers to perform a limited range of simple addition activities related to own immediate personal needs
- 1.4 Use a *limited range of strategies* to undertake simple addition activities related to highly familiar personally relevant needs
- 1.5 **Check** the addition result
- 2 Use simple addition for immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.1 Identify *highly familiar and immediate functional/practical needs/activities*
- 2.2 Recognise and locate simple whole numbers related to own immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.3 Use whole numbers to perform a limited range of



### simple addition activities related to own immediate functional/practical needs

- 2.4 Use a limited range of strategies to undertake simple addition activities related to highly familiar functional/practical needs
- 2.5 Check the addition result

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

### Required Knowledge:

- · whole numbers into the hundreds
- mathematical symbol used for addition
- techniques used to carry over to perform calculations
- simple mathematical vocabulary such as addition/plus and equals

### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to:
  - undertake simple one step addition calculations by adding two entities together
  - use different strategies to calculate results
  - check calculations to confirm results

### Range Statement

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

## Highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- shopping
- banking
- using transport
- paying bills
- · social activities

# Addition activities related to own immediate personal needs may include:

- adding the cost of two items to determine cost
- using addition to calculate increases in price of goods
- adding number of people per table for a group function

### Limited range of strategies may include:

- use of:
  - concrete objects
  - place value block and rods



- informal "in the head" methods
- coins and notes
- fingers
- personal experience and prior knowledge
- asking questions to clarify meaning
- non-linguistic cues such as body language, facial expressions and gestures to support meaning
- alternative communication aids, supports and systems
- using technology:
  - calculators
  - tablets

Check may include:

- · making rough estimates
- · counting to verify result

Highly familiar and immediate functional/practical needs/activities may include:

- purchasing goods
- paying bills
- performing workplace tasks
- sports teams
- · working in groups

Addition activities related to own immediate functional/practical needs may include:

Using addition to:

- · add money amounts for:
  - purchasing lunch
  - purchasing transport fares
  - paying bills
- add number of items as part of task at work
- calculate differences in prices for similar items
- add scores in a sporting event
- purchase items for a number of people a group activity
- calculate number of people required to complete a workplace task

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

### Critical aspects for assessment and evidence

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

• apply a limited range of problem solving strategies to

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### required to demonstrate competency in this unit

undertake simple addition calculations in a limited range of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example undertaking addition activities may apply to both the personal and practical / functional or group context. In order to support authentic assessment this unit can be assessed with the unit *VU21756 Use simple subtraction skills*.

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

#### Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

### Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner undertaking simple addition activities in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional and group contexts
- questioning to assess knowledge of strategies to undertake addition calculations
- third party reports detailing the application of simple addition skills to meet a limited range of highly familiar needs

### **Unit Code**

### VU21756

### **Unit Title**

### Use simple subtraction skills

### **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to use simple subtraction skills with simple whole number amounts, which involve carrying over, in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional and group contexts. This may involve the use of a calculator.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

### **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the early stage of numeracy development.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher / mentor.

### Element

### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Use simple subtraction for personal needs
- 1.1 Identify *highly familiar personally relevant activities* / needs
- 1.2 Recognise and locate simple whole numbers related to own immediate personal needs
- 1.3 Use whole numbers to perform a limited range of simple subtraction activities related to own immediate personal needs
- 1.4 Use a *limited range of strategies* to undertake simple subtraction activities related to highly familiar personally relevant needs
- 1.5 **Check** the subtraction result
- 2 Use simple subtraction for immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.1 Identify *highly familiar and immediate functional/practical needs/activities*
- 2.2 Recognise and locate simple whole numbers related to own immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.3 Use whole numbers to perform a limited range of



### simple subtraction activities related to own immediate functional/practical needs

- 2.4 Use a limited range of strategies to undertake simple subtraction activities related to highly familiar functional/practical needs
- 2.5 Check the subtraction result

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

### Required Knowledge:

- whole numbers into the hundreds
- mathematical symbol used for subtraction and its function
- techniques used to carry over
- simple mathematical vocabulary such as subtraction/minus and equals

### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to:
  - undertake simple one step subtraction activities
  - use different strategies to calculate results
  - estimate and verify if a given answer is correct

### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- shopping
- banking
- using transport
- paying bills

Subtraction activities related to own immediate personal needs may include:

- working out expected change for a transaction
- subtracting the cost of an item from a fixed amount
- working out differences in price of goods

Limited range of strategies may include:

- use of:
  - concrete objects
  - fingers
  - coins and notes



- place value block and rods
- informal "in the head" methods
- personal experience and prior knowledge
- asking questions to clarify meaning
- non-linguistic cues such as body language, facial expressions and gestures to support meaning
- alternative communication aids, supports and systems
- using technology:
  - calculators
  - tablets

**Check** may include:

- · making rough estimates
- counting to verify result

Highly familiar and immediate functional/practical needs/activities may include:

- · purchasing goods
- paying bills
- · checking personal budget
- · performing workplace tasks

Subtraction activities related to own immediate functional/practical needs may include:

- subtracting money amounts from a fixed amount for:
  - purchasing lunch
  - purchasing transport fares
  - paying bills
- subtracting number of items as part of task at work such as packing or sorting
- working out how much time is left to complete a work task from a fixed time
- using subtraction to calculate:
  - differences between number of people at a group function and those initially expected
  - change from purchasing items for a group activity
  - difference between team scores to determine the winner

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 apply a limited range of problem solving strategies to undertake simple subtraction calculations in a limited



### competency in this unit

range of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example undertaking subtraction activities may apply to both the personal and practical / functional context. In order to support authentic assessment this unit can be assessed with the unit VU21755 Use simple addition skills

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

### Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner undertaking subtraction activities in a limited range of highly familiar personal, functional contexts
- questioning to assess knowledge of strategies to undertake subtraction calculations
- third party reports detailing the application of simple subtraction skills to meet a limited range of highly familiar needs

### Unit Code VU21751

### Unit Title Use simple metric weights

### Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to use simple

metric weights in a limited range of highly familiar personal

and functional contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

### **Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

### **Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the early stage of numeracy development.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher / mentor.

### **Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Use simple metric weights for personal purposes
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Recognise whole numbers into the hundreds related to weights
- 1.3 Use whole numbers to estimate the weight of familiar everyday objects related to personal needs
- 1.4 Use simple metric weights to carry out a *familiar personally relevant activity*
- 1.5 Use common words for comparing weights
- 2 Use simple metric weights for immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.1 Identify highly familiar functional/practical needs
- 2.2 Use whole numbers to estimate the weight of familiar everyday objects related to functional/practical needs
- 2.3 Use simple metric weights to carry out a *familiar functional/practical activity*
- 2.4 Use common words for comparing weights



### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

### Required Knowledge:

- common units used to measure weight such as grams and kilograms and their differences
- abbreviations associated with highly familiar weights such as kg and g

#### Required Skills:

- literacy skills to read digital weight scales
- problem solving skills to apply measures of weight to estimate and calculate weight for different items:
  - estimating weight using previous knowledge of a product or item
  - checking and confirming estimations
  - using personal experience

### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- shopping
- health
- cooking
- gardening

Familiar personally relevant activity may include:

- · weighing:
  - fruits and vegetables
  - ingredients for a recipe
  - oneself

Common words for comparing weights may include:

heavier

lighter

Familiar functional/practical needs may include:

- carrying out workplace tasks
- cooking
- gardening
- · moving objects

Familiar functional/practical activity may include:

checking the weight of a product at work

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- · estimating the weight of an item before moving it
- · weighing ingredients to cook food for a group

#### **Evidence Guide**

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Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- recognise and apply appropriate metric units to calculate the weight of products/items
- apply a limited range of problem solving strategies to use simple metric weights in a limited range of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example using metric weights may apply to both the personal and practical / functional context.

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner weighing items in a limited range of highly familiar personal and functional contexts
- verbal questioning to assess knowledge of strategies to estimate weights
- portfolio of written exercises:
  - recording weights for specific activities
  - matching weights to products
- third party reports detailing the application of simple measurement skills to meet a limited range of highly familiar needs



### Unit Code VU21752

### Unit Title Use simple liquid measures

### **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to use simple liquid measures in a limited range of highly familiar personal and functional/practical contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

### **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the early stage of numeracy.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher / mentor.

#### **Element**

### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Use simple metric liquid measures for personal needs
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Recognise whole numbers into the hundreds related to liquids on *everyday containers*
- 1.3 Use whole numbers to estimate the volume of liquid for familiar everyday containers related to personal needs
- 1.4 Use simple metric liquid measures to carry out a *familiar personally relevant activity*
- 1.5 Use common words for comparing liquid measures
- 2 Use simple metric liquid measures for immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.1 Identify highly familiar functional/practical needs
- 2.2 Recognise whole numbers into the hundreds related to liquids on everyday containers
- 2.3 Use whole numbers to estimate the volume of liquid for familiar everyday containers related to functional/practical needs
- 2.4 Use simple metric liquid measures to carry out a *familiar functional/practical activity*



### 2.5 Use common words for comparing liquid measures

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

### Required Knowledge:

- common units used to measure liquids such as litres and millilitres and their differences
- abbreviations associated with highly familiar liquid measurements such as I and mI Required Skills:
- literacy skills to read scales on measuring equipment and recognise numbers on containers
- problem solving skills to apply measures of liquid to estimate and calculate volume of liquid for familiar everyday containers:
  - estimating liquid volume using previous knowledge of a product or item
  - checking and confirming estimations
  - using personal experience

### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- shopping
- health
- cooking
- gardening

**Everyday containers** may include:

- · milk cartons
- drinks
- medicines

Familiar personally relevant activity may include:

- measuring liquids:
  - to cook a meal
  - to prepare a medication
  - to prepare a liquid fertiliser
  - to prepare a drink

Common words for comparing liquid measures may include:

- less
- more
- half



a quarter

### Familiar functional/practical needs may include:

- carrying out workplace tasks
- cooking
- cleaning

### Familiar functional/practical activity may include:

- measuring liquids for a work task
- estimating the liquid volume of a container before moving it
- · measuring liquid for a cleaning task
- measuring liquid ingredients to cook food for a group

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- recognise and apply appropriate metric units to measure the liquid volume of everyday containers
- apply a limited range of problem solving strategies to use simple liquid measures in a limited range of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts
- Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example using liquid measures may apply to both the personal and practical / functional contexts.

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner:
  - measuring liquid volume in a limited range of highly

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- verbal questioning to assess knowledge of strategies to estimate liquid volume
- portfolio of written exercises
  - recording liquid measurements for specific activities
  - matching liquid measurements to products
- third party reports detailing the application of liquid measures

### Unit Code VU21753

### Unit Title Use simple linear measures

### **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to use simple linear measures in a limited range of highly familiar personal and functional/practical contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

### **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the early stage of numeracy.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher / mentor.

#### **Element**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Use simple linear measures for personal needs
- 1.1 Identify highly familiar personally relevant activities / needs
- 1.2 Recognise whole numbers into the hundreds related to length
- 1.3 Use whole numbers to estimate linear measures related to personal needs
- 1.4 Use whole numbers to carry out simple linear measures related to a *familiar personally relevant activity*
- 1.5 Use common words for comparing linear measures
- 2 Use simple linear measures for immediate functional/practical needs
- 2.1 Identify highly familiar functional/practical needs
- 2.2 Use whole numbers to estimate linear measurements related to functional/practical needs
- 2.3 Use whole numbers to carry out simple linear measures related to a *familiar functional/practical activity*

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

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### Required Knowledge:

- common units used to describe linear measures such as centimetres, metres, kilometres and their difference
- · difference between length and width as part of linear measurement
- abbreviations associated with highly familiar linear measurement units such as cm, m and km
- limited range of strategies to estimate linear measures such as:
  - using previous knowledge of an object or place to estimate linear measures
  - checking estimation through questioning
  - using measurement aids

#### Required Skills:

- literacy skills to read measurement equipment such as tape measures, rulers, odometers
- problem solving strategies to:
  - check and confirm estimations
  - recognise and use appropriate measurement equipment
  - match appropriate unit of measurement to item such as ballpoint pen being measured in centimetres not metres

### Range Statement

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Familiar personally relevant activities / needs may include:

- shopping
- health
- travel

Familiar personally relevant activity may include:

- using linear measurement to measure/estimate:
  - own height
  - height of object or item
  - distance between two places

Common words for comparing linear measures may include:

- longer
- shorter
- wider
- narrower
- closer
- further



### Familiar functional/practical needs may include:

- · carrying out workplace tasks
- gardening
- travel
- · arranging household items

### Familiar functional/practical activity may include:

- using linear measurement to measure/estimate:
  - length of an object at work
  - distance to or from a place
  - size of a room
  - size for a garden plot

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- recognise and apply appropriate metric units to perform linear measures
- apply a limited range of problem solving strategies to use linear measurement to measure and estimate in a limited range of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example undertaking linear measurement activities may apply to both the personal and practical / functional context.

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete
- access to measurement equipment such as rulers and tape measures

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

### Method(s) of assessment



#### unit:

- observation of the learner:
  - carrying out linear measurements in a limited range of highly familiar personal and functional contexts
- verbal questioning to assess knowledge of strategies to estimate distance between two places
- portfolio of written exercises
  - recording linear measurements for specific activities
- third party reports detailing the application of simple linear measures to meet a limited range of highly familiar needs

### Unit Code

### VU21754

### **Unit Title**

### Use coins and notes

### **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to identify and use single coins and notes to estimate rounded amounts for everyday purchases in highly familiar personal, practical / functional and group contexts.

The outcomes of this unit do not include any mathematical functions.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Numeracy.

### **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities who are at the early stage of numeracy skill development.

Learners at this level will require high levels of teacher / mentor support.

#### **Element**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify monetary amounts and values
- 2.1 Identify the range of Australian coins and their monetary value
- 2.2 Identify the range of Australian notes and their monetary value
- 2.3 Match monetary amounts to *highly familiar personally* relevant items
- 2 Estimate rounded amounts
- 3.1 **Estimate the amount** required for items related to **personal needs**
- 3.2 Estimate the amount required for items related to **practical / functional needs**
- 3.3 Estimate the amount required for *co-operative needs*

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.



### Required Knowledge:

- common representations of monetary amounts:
  - symbols used to represent dollars and cents
  - written form of dollars and cents
- limited range of strategies to assist in recognising coins and notes such as:
  - using size, shape and colour
  - picture representation
  - prior knowledge of numbers into the 100s

### Required Skills:

- problem solving skills to:
  - distinguish the value of coins and notes
  - estimate rounded amounts required for everyday purchases

### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Highly familiar personally relevant items may include:

- food / drinks
- clothes
- entertainment items

Estimate the amount may include:

- · identifying approximate amounts:
  - around 50c for a piece of fruit
  - around \$3 for a coffee
  - around \$20 for a tee shirt
- using round figures

Personal needs may include:

- · buying food or drinks
- · buying clothes
- · paying for a haircut
- · using a vending machine

**Practical / functional needs** may include:

- paying:
  - a fare
  - an entry fee
  - for a movie ticket
- · purchasing a prepaid mobile phone card



### **Co-operative needs** may include:

- · participating in a social activity
- contributing to a group activity
- · buying a raffle ticket

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- identify number figures written as monetary amounts
- estimate rounded money amounts for highly familiar, personally relevant items

Assessment should take into account the integration of contexts where this is relevant to the needs of the learner, for example estimating money amounts for items that relate to both personal and practical / functional needs.

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete in context

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

#### Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner:
  - matching round number figures to their corresponding coins and notes
  - matching coins and notes with highly familiar, personally relevant items
  - locating specific round number figures in shopping catalogues or price lists
  - estimating the cost of highly familiar, personally relevant items and / or activities
- third party reports detailing the learners ability to recognise and use money amounts.



Unit Code VU21736

Unit Title Recognise basic mathematical symbols and

processes

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to

recognise the basic mathematical symbols and processes of addition and subtraction using whole numbers up to ten

without carrying over.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the

achievement of ACSF Pre Level 1 Numeracy.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners with intellectual disabilities such

as intellectual, sensory or neurological impairments who are at

the beginning stage of numeracy development.

Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify mathematical functions
- 1.1 Identify the mathematical symbols for addition and subtraction
- 1.2 Identify the mathematical function of each symbol
- 2 Perform basic mathematical processes
- 2.1 Select familiar items
- 2.2 Perform an *addition calculation* using familiar items and whole numbers up to ten
- 2.3 Perform a *subtraction calculation* using familiar items and whole numbers up to ten

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

### Required Knowledge:

- simple mathematical language of addition and subtraction such as plus, add, minus, take away and equals
- whole numbers up to 10

Required Skills:

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- problem solving skills to undertake simple one step:
  - addition calculations by adding familiar items together
  - subtraction calculations by taking items away

### **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Familiar items may include:

- utensils
- · clothing items
- food / beverage items
- money

**Addition calculation** may include:

- using:
  - concrete objects
  - pen and paper
  - a calculator
  - in the head method

**Subtraction calculation** may include:

- using:
  - concrete objects
  - pen and paper
  - a calculator
  - in the head method

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- recognise the basic mathematical symbols and processes of addition and subtraction
- perform a simple addition and subtraction calculation using whole numbers up to ten without carrying over.

### Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete in context

At this level the learner:

may require strong support from the context, including

#### visual cues

- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

### Method(s) of assessment

- observation of the learner performing an addition and subtraction calculation
- third party reports detailing the learner's ability to perform addition and subtraction calculations

### **Unit Code**

### VU21743

### **Unit Title**

### Give and follow simple directions

### **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to give and follow simple directions in a limited range of highly familiar, personally relevant contexts.

The outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Reading.

For learners who are able to verbalise their responses, the outcomes described in this unit contribute to the achievement of ACSF Level 1 Oral Communication.

### **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

### **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with cognitive disabilities such as sensory or neurological impairments who are at the early stage of reading.

Learners at this level may require the support of a teacher / mentor.

#### **Element**

### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Follow simple and familiar directions in highly familiar situations
- 1.1 Identify and use *simple concepts of position and location* to identify an explicit and relevant location
- 1.2 Read and use *simple diagrams and maps* of *highly familiar locations* to identify an explicit and relevant location
- 1.3 Follow simple *highly familiar directions* for moving between known locations
- 2 Give simple and familiar directions in highly familiar situations
- 2.1 Describe the relative location of two or more objects using *highly familiar, informal language of position*
- 2.2 Use simple, highly familiar, informal language of position to give directions in a *highly familiar situation*

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.



### Required Knowledge:

- signs / prints / symbols used in signs, diagrams and maps
- informal language of position and location to give and follow simple and familiar directions

### Required Skills:

- communication and literacy skills to:
  - read relevant maps and diagrams
- · problem solving skills to:
  - use simple diagrams and maps of highly familiar locations to find locations

### Range Statement

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

### Simple concepts of position and location may include:

- relative positions such as:
  - in
  - left/right
  - front/behind
  - up/down
  - opposite
  - on the corner
  - next to
  - between

### **Simple diagrams and maps** may include:

- familiar buildings:
  - classrooms
  - workplace
- local home area
- local shopping centre
- simple and familiar online maps

### *Highly familiar locations* may include;

- learner's classroom
- home
- workplace
- local shopping centre
- community centre

### **Highly familiar directions** may include:

- short, clear steps with only one given at a time
- · teacher prompting if required



use of common, everyday, informal language and gestures

# Highly familiar, informal language of position may include:

- over/under
- in front/behind
- up/down
- through
- opposite
- on the corner
- next to
- first / second
- between

# **Highly familiar situations** may include:

- moving from one position to another within a room
- · one room to another
- between buildings in a workplace or shopping centre

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- use simple, highly familiar diagrams and maps to find and identify specific locations
- use informal language of location and direction to describe relative positions of objects
- apply simple concepts of position to give and follow simple and highly familiar directions

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

#### Assessment must ensure:

- directions are given one at a time as short, clear steps
- assessment tasks which deal with the familiar and concrete
- the use of augmentative communication devices where required for candidates with little or no speech to follow and give directions

### At this level the learner:

 may require strong support from the context, including visual cues to support maps and diagrams



- may require extended time to demonstrate skills
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner giving and following simple and familiar directions in highly familiar situations
- questioning to assess use of diagrams or maps to identify highly familiar locations

Unit Code VU20939

Unit Title Recognise and interpret safety signs and

symbols

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to

recognise and interpret safety signs and symbols commonly

found in workplace and community settings

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners who wish to develop their basic

knowledge of safety signage to prepare for work or community

participation.

**Element** Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify features of common safety signs and symbols
- 1.1 Identify common safety signs and symbols
- 1.2 Identify the *purpose* of common safety signs and symbols
- 1.3 Identify *features* of common safety signs and symbols
- 2 Recognise common safety signs and symbols
- 2.1 Use *navigation skills* to recognise the type of signs and symbols
- 2.2 Use *reading strategies* to interpret common safety signs and symbols
- 2.3 Confirm understanding with *others*.

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

### Required knowledge:

- navigation skills and reading strategies to enable recognition and interpretation of commonly used safety signs and symbols
- high frequency words used in safety signage
- colours and shapes used in the main categories of safety signage

### Required Skills:

- literacy skills to identify and interpret key words regularly used in common safety signs and symbols
- numeracy skills to recognise and interpret the meaning of shapes in safety signage
- problem solving skills to distinguish between different types of commonly used safety signs and symbols using shapes, colours and words

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

Common safety signs and symbols may include:

- · warning signs
- · no smoking
- no entry
- · hazardous substances

Purpose may include:

- to warn
- to advise
- to instruct

**Features** may include:

- shape
- colour
- text
- visuals

Navigation skills may include:

- · scanning for general understanding
- scanning for key words
- scanning for key colours:
  - red to prohibit
  - yellow to warn
  - blue for mandatory action
- scanning for key shapes
  - crossed circle to prohibit
  - triangle to warn
  - clear circle to mandate

**Reading strategies** may include:

- · using text features to predict content
- making connections between prior knowledge and text content
- making connections between high frequency words, symbols and pictures
- sounding out letters and syllables
- simple strategies to assist with word and symbol



identification and extend vocabulary

### Others may include:

- peers / team members
- · trainers
- · supervisors

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

# Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

#### Assessment must confirm:

- the ability to recognise and interpret the meaning of common safety signs and symbols found in workplace and community settings such as:
  - no smoking
  - do not enter
  - switch off mobile phones
  - no swimming.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

#### Assessment must ensure:

 access to commonly used safety signs and symbols found in workplace and community settings.

#### Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are appropriate for this unit:

- observation of the learner identifying and interpreting a range of safety signs and symbols, including prohibition, warning and mandatory action signage
- a portfolio of commonly used safety signs and symbols and their meaning
- oral or written questioning to assess the learners ability to recognise and interpret the meaning of commonly used safety signs and symbols.

Unit Code VU21041

Unit Title Complete forms

Unit Descriptor This unit describes the skills and knowledge to complete a

range of everyday routine forms

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners who wish to re-engage with

learning as a pathway to education, employment or

community participation activities.

Skill development at this level will generally require assistance

from a support person.

### Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Prepare to complete a range of forms
- 1.1 Access *forms* relevant to own purposes
- 1.2 Identify **key sections** of the form
- 1.3 Clarify purposes of sections
- 2 Complete documentation
- 2.1 **Enter** information into correct sections of the form
- 2.2 Review all entries for accuracy
- 2.3 Submit forms according to the *required process*

### Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required knowledge:

- basic structural conventions of text such as features of page layout
- decoding strategies such as using word identification strategies and drawing on a bank of personally relevant words and phrases
- spelling references to enable information entered to be checked for accuracy

### Required Skills:

- literacy skills to identify, interpret and provide required information
- planning and organising skills to plan the content of required information and submit



according to the required process and timeline

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

**Forms** may include: • community organisation membership

employment related

· further study related

· banking

federal / state government applications

paper based

· electronic

**Key sections** may include: • personal information

past educational experiences

past employment experiences

certificate

bank statements

**Accuracy** may include: • spelling

punctuation

all required information included

**Required process** may

include:

posting

· counter submission

online submission

designated timeframes

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 identify, access, complete and submit a form for a minimum of two different purposes relevant to the



#### learner

· check forms for accuracy.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure access to:

- · paper based or electronic forms relevant to learners
- electronic submission of forms where required

# Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner accessing and completing forms
- portfolio of electronic or paper based samples of forms completed by the learner showing evidence of checking and revision
- oral or written questioning to assess knowledge of the purpose of different forms relevant to the learner

# Unit Code VU21282

# Unit Title Develop a learning plan and portfolio with support

# **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to identify, document and monitor a learning plan with an appropriate support person and to develop and maintain a portfolio.

The learning plan documents an agreed program that the learner will undertake during the course.

The required outcomes described in this unit relate directly to the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF), (© Commonwealth of Australia, 2012). They contribute to the achievement of ACSF indicators of competence at Level 1 (Learning): 1.01, 1.02.

# **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

# **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to learners with personal, learning, employment and community participation goals who require significant support to develop a simple short term learning plan.

#### Element

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Identify learning goals
- 1.1 Discuss *learning goals* with *appropriate support persons*
- 1.2 Identify **supporting resources** available in the immediate environment
- 2 Discuss and agree on an individual learning plan
- 2.1 Identify the *purpose of an individual learning plan*
- 2.2 Follow **simple steps** to develop an individual learning plan.
- 3 Prepare portfolio of completed work samples
- 3.1 Discuss *purposes of the portfolio* with appropriate support persons
- 3.2 Identify types of evidence required for the portfolio.
- 3.3 Collect examples of evidence and include in the portfolio



- 4. Monitor and update the individual learning plan
- 4.1 Discuss progress towards end-of-course goals and objectives with appropriate support person / s
- 4.2 Discuss factors which contributed to success in meeting goals
- 4.3 Amend individual learning plan with appropriate support person/s

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

# Required knowledge:

- purpose of a learning plan and the process to develop and monitor it
- different types of goals such as personal and work

# Required Skills:

- communication skills to discuss and plan learning goals/objectives
- planning and organising to follow simple steps to develop a simple learning plan
- problem solving skills to:
  - select portfolio samples and to identify strategies that assist in the achievement of goals
  - identify some potential barriers that may impact on progress

# Range Statement

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. 9Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

### **Learning goals** may include:

- improving reading, writing and numeracy skills for a variety of purposes:
  - further study
  - employment
  - community participation
  - health and well being
- support for others

# Appropriate support persons

may include:

- program coordinator
- teacher
- advisor

### **Supporting resources** can include:

- audio-visual aids
- visual materials such as maps, pictures, charts
- digital media programs



- · computers and soft ware
- library
- communication aids

# Purposes of an individual learning plan may include:

- assisting the learner and the provider to plan systematically for the attainment of goals
- as a tool to monitor progress
- to assist the transition of the learner to his/ her preferred options at the end of the course

# Simple steps to develop a learning plan may include;

- discussion of learner's needs
- · identifying one or two short term specific objectives
- determination of tasks and progress to achieve objectives
- agreement as to who is responsible for the implementation of each task
- identification of additional support persons such as:
  - case workers and personal carers
  - community representatives
  - family members
- identification of responsibilities for all parties such as: learners (participation, working collaboratively), teachers (providing customised programs, awareness of and strategies for dealing with conflicting discourses, ethical standards)
- documentation (dot points / checklist) completed by the teacher and agreed by the learner

# **Purposes of the portfolio** may include:

- record what has been achieved in the course
- provide opportunity for reflection on progress towards achieving goals
- opportunity to reflect on strategies which have been successful

# **Types of evidence** may include:

- collections of samples compiled by the learner with the support of the teacher including:
  - diary
  - photographs including digital photographs
  - digital posters

# Factors which contribute to

teacher structured scaffolding activities designed to

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#### success may include:

extend learner's existing knowledge and skills

- transferring learning from one area to a new area
- applying appropriate strategies
- practising new skills
- seeking support of teacher, peers, other interested parties when needed

### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- identify specific goals and develop a short learning plan to achieve these goals with an appropriate support person
- monitor the learning plan and adjust
- use simple strategies to organise and maintain a portfolio

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure access to:

- highly familiar contexts
- computer hardware and software, if appropriate

At this level the learner:

- will require support to follow structured steps to develop a learning plan and participate in discussions
- will require extended time to clarify learning goals
- can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit

- oral or written questioning, such as interview, to assess knowledge of the purpose and steps for developing a learning plan
- direct observation of the learner participating in the process of developing a learning plan
- paper based or digital portfolios to assess evidence of how identified goals have been met



# **Unit Code**

### VU21284

# **Unit Title**

# Engage with short simple texts for learning purposes

# **Unit Descriptor**

This unit describes the skills and knowledge to engage with short, simple paper based and digital texts to participate in the immediate environment for learning purposes.

The required outcomes described in this unit relate directly to the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF), (© Commonwealth of Australia2012). They contribute to the achievement of ACSF indicators of competence at Level One (Reading): 1.03, 1.04.

# **Employability Skills**

This unit contains employability skills.

# **Application of the Unit**

This unit applies to people seeking to improve their educational participation options and who need to develop a range of reading skills and learning strategies. The unit is suitable for those at the very beginning stages of learning to read and develops reading strategies to support learning.

Where application is as part of the Course in Initial General Education for Adults, it is recommended that this unit is integrated with the delivery and assessment of the Core Skills writing unit VU21288 Create short simple texts for learning purposes. The link between reading and writing across the different domains also encourages co-delivery and assessment of additional units, such as VU21283 Engage with short simple texts for personal purposes and VU21287 Create short simple texts for personal purposes.

#### **Element**

#### **Performance Criteria**

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- Locate specific information in short, simple relevant print and digital texts in the learning environment
- 1.1 Identify a *limited range of short, simple texts* in the learning environment
- 1.2 Recognis**e features of texts** encountered in the immediate learning environment
- 1.3 Identify specific information in the text.
- 2 Read simple highly
- 2.1 Use a *limited range of reading strategies*

# familiar print and digital learning related texts

- 2.2 Give an account of the meaning of the text/s
- 2.3 Identify the *intention* of the text.

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

### Required knowledge:

- · basic information seeking strategies to locate information
- different text types relevant to personal learning
- basic reading strategies to engage with printed and digital texts
- awareness of the different ways in which digital information may be organised, such as linear and non linear

#### Required Skills:

- · problem solving skills to:
  - use cues from context, personal experience and document lay-out to identify highly familiar words, phrases, symbols, numbers
  - use a limited range of reading strategies including ability to draw on small bank of sight vocabulary of personally relevant words/ phrases and use elementary word attack skills
- communication skills to convey and discuss information about texts
- technology skills to navigate screen based digital text to locate simple information

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

# Limited range of short simple texts may include:

- texts with highly explicit purpose and limited highly familiar vocabulary
- electronic, printed, handwritten and visual texts:
  - simplified diagram of learning provider rooms and facilities
  - own student card
  - room signs / symbols
  - own email address
  - calendars and diaries
  - enrolment forms, library card
  - messages
  - notices relevant to own interests
- teaching and learning texts in the classroom

**Features of texts** may include:

• highly familiar words / phrases / abbreviations:



- own personal details
- place-related information such as location of organisation, room numbers, learning facilities
- time-related information such as appointment time, class times, meeting times, term dates
- names of class activity, teachers names, names of others in the class
- those associated with personally relevant education activities
- short, simple instructions for learning activities
- own pin number for computer use
- slang, non standard English, words from languages other than English / dialect
- numbers as whole numbers and familiar fractions:
  - dates and times of classes (o'clock settings)
  - place-related information, such as numbers of classroom, phone number of the learning organisation
- well-known visuals, symbols and logos:
  - logo of learning organisation
  - digital map of learning organisation with relevant facilities marked
  - learning organisation specific symbols such as symbols for ILC, Child Care centre, library
  - keyboard keys
  - symbols such as 'save' 'print' icons on computer menu

# Limited range of reading strategies may include:

- drawing on a small bank of known words and phrases which relate to the immediate environment
- word attack skills:
  - basic phonics such as initial letter-sound combinations, unambiguous letter-sound combinations
- following the left to right, top to bottom orientation of printed texts and screen-based texts
- relying on non-linguistic support such as illustrations, diagrams, photos, symbols, colours
- reading text to self and aloud with the support of others
- recognising meaning of conventional sentence punctuation such as full stops, capital letters
- identifying sources of text:
  - teacher
  - writer
  - peers
- · predicting the purpose of texts based on, for



#### example:

- prior knowledge of the context
- personal experience
- prior knowledge of aspects of the text such as layout
- following simple on-line prompts

# **Intention of the text** may include:

- provide information / instruction
- advice
- reminder

# **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

**Critical aspects for assessment** Assessment must confirm the ability to:

 locate and engage with information in a minimum of 2 short, simple, explicit and personally relevant text types related to the learning environment, one of which must be print based and the other digitally based

In order to ensure learners achieve meaningful outcomes at the qualification level an integrated approach to assessment should be used, refer to Section B 6.1 Assessment Strategy.

Where this unit is being co-assessed with units related to another domain, such as personal, the same texts may be relevant to both domains.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure access to:

- a limited range of short, simple, learning related digital and paper based texts
- communication technology as required

At this level the learner:

- may require strong support from the context, including visual cues
- may require strong support to access digital media and navigate digital text
- may use texts which contain repetition
- may require extended time to read, reread and decode text
- may depend on a personal dictionary



 can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

The following methods of assessment are suitable for this unit:

- direct observation of the learner locating information in, and making meaning of short, simple paper based and digital texts
- oral or written questioning to assess knowledge of the purpose of different learning related text types
- verbal information from the learner describing the meaning and intention of the selected texts.

Unit Code VU21288

Unit Title Create short simple texts for learning purposes

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**Unit Descriptor**This unit develops initial writing skills to create short simple texts to participate in learning.

The required outcomes described in this unit relate directly to

the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF), (©

Commonwealth of Australia, 2012). They contribute to the achievement of ACSF indicators of competence at Level One

(Writing) 1.05, 1.06.

**Employability Skills** This unit contains employability skills.

**Application of the Unit** This unit applies to learners who wish to improve their written communication skills to better participate in educational

activities.

Where application is as part of the *Course in Initial General Education for Adults*, it is recommended that application is integrated with the delivery and assessment of *VU21284 Engage with short simple texts for learning purposes*. The link between reading and writing across the different domains also encourages co-delivery and assessment of additional units, such as *VU21287 Create short simple texts for personal purposes* and *VU21283 Engage with short simple texts for* 

personal purposes.

# Element Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency. Elements describe actions or outcomes that are demonstrable and assessable.

Performance criteria describe the required performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element – they identify the standard for the element. Where bold/italicised text is used, further information or explanation is detailed in the required skills and knowledge and/or the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

- 1 Complete short simple learning related formatted texts
- 1.1 Identify types of formatted text
- 1.2 Identify features of texts
- 1.3 Confirm *purpose* of formatted texts
- 1.4 Enter required information accurately and legibly
- 2 Create a short simple learning related text
- 2.1 Identify the requirements of the *text*
- 2.2 Select the appropriate format for the text
- 2.3 Prepare the *content*



# 2.4 Arrange features of text accurately and effectively to meet purpose

# Required Knowledge and Skills

This describes the essential skills and knowledge and their level required for this unit.

#### Required Knowledge:

- spatial arrangement, word separation and alignment of text
- a small bank of words and phrases related to the learning environment to enable the preparation of content

### Required Skills:

- · organisational skills to:
  - construct short written text of one or two phrases / sentences with support
  - locate simple information in text and use it to construct simple text
- problem solving skills to recognise formatting conventions of text.

# **Range Statement**

The Range Statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold / italicised wording in the Performance Criteria is detailed below.

# **Types of formatted text** may include:

- texts with highly explicit purpose and limited highly familiar vocabulary
- a limited range of electronic, printed and texts containing visual elements:
  - sections of forms requiring basic information such as name and address on an enrolment form, very simple course evaluation forms
  - simple, short surveys related to participation in learning or related activities in an education setting
  - work sheets, cloze exercises
  - tests, quizzes
  - self assessments
  - tables to be completed
  - timetables
  - checklists
  - charts in a classroom
  - self-paced workbooks

#### **Features of texts** may include:

- highly familiar words / phrases:
  - name, address, age
  - place-related and time-related information (street / suburb / town / building / classroom / class time)



- names of facilities and services in the learning / education context, e.g. canteen
- commonly used words and phrases associated with personally relevant education activities
- simple diagrams, for example: hand drawn map of educational institution with facilities marked
- one or two simple sentences for example an application for English classes
- numbers (whole numbers and familiar fractions), for example:
  - time-related information, dates of public holidays/ school holidays, class times
  - place-related information, such as room numbers, building / level numbers
  - connected with money such as course fees, excursion costs
- · abbreviations:
  - M/F
  - text messaging abbreviations such 'u' for 'you'
- familiar visuals, for example:
  - layout features and styles (print and screen based)
  - left to right and top to bottom orientation
  - writing on the line
  - capitalisation (including for the personal pronoun I, upper and lower case)
  - full stop punctuation photographs
  - symbols / logos / icons
- layout features and styles (print and screen based)
  - left to right and top to bottom orientation
  - writing on the line
  - capitalisation (including for the personal pronoun I, upper and lower case
  - punctuation such as full stop

#### **Purpose** may include:

- collection of information
- recording information
- organising information for regular reference
- organising time
- mnemonic purposes

#### **Text** may include:

- labels in a folder
- short written or electronic note or message for teacher or fellow student

paper based or electronic timetable entry

# Appropriate format for the text may include:

- size of words and visuals
- place of colour, symbols
- · inclusion of visual elements
- short text message to teacher or fellow student:
  - "running late"
  - "unable to attend"
- number of characters including spaces
- use of punctuation

#### **Content** may include:

- words / phrases:
  - class times and locations
  - homework tasks
- commonly used symbols and icons such as & for 'and'
- commonly used words from the learning environment

#### **Evidence Guide**

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the Elements, Performance Criteria, Required Skills and Knowledge, the Range Statement and the Assessment section in Section B of the Accreditation Submission.

Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit

Assessment must confirm the ability to:

- complete a minimum of one short simple, learning related formatted text
- create one short, simple learning related text which may be digital or paper based

In order to ensure learners achieve meaningful outcomes at the qualification level an integrated approach to assessment should be used, refer to Section B 6.1 Assessment Strategy.

Where this unit is being co-assessed with units related to another domain, such as personal purposes, the same texts may apply to both domains.

# Context of and specific resources for assessment

Assessment must ensure:

 access to text types drawn from the learner's immediate environment which are personally relevant to the learner

At this level, the learner:

• may require additional time to complete written tasks



 can work alongside an expert / mentor where prompting and advice can be provided

# Method(s) of assessment

The following assessment methods are suitable for this unit:

- observation of the learner planning and creating short, simple learning related paper based and / or digital texts
- portfolio of examples of formatted texts completed by the learner
- written or oral questioning to confirm understanding of the purpose of different text types