

## English, Maths and Science GCSE Help and Support

Do you hold a GCSE (grade A-C) or O'Level or CSE1 in English, Maths and Science?

\*Level 2 Literacy/Numeracy/Key Skills/'For Life' will not be accepted by the Universities or The National College for Teaching and Leadership when you enrol on the EYITT programme.

Early Years Teachers to replace the Early Years Professional Status:-

The first training for Early Years Teachers (EYT) began in September 2013, with candidates embarking on a programme which amends the existing EYP standards to more closely match the Teaching Standards for classroom teachers. EYT's will have to meet the same entry requirements as primary classroom trainee teachers with at least a C grade in English, Maths and Science GCSE. Candidates wishing to join the EYITT programme are required to pass the same skills test as classroom teacher trainees before they start their course.

Candidates need to hold English, Maths and Science at A\*- C GCSE, or CSE 1 or through <u>www.equivalencytesting.com</u> - This is still the only equivalent accepted, so senior school final exam certificates or <u>www.equivalencytesting.com</u> (01277 203336)

The above website have put together a 'foundation' Maths package and Science (Biology) package where a 'C' will be the highest grade possible. The 'higher' test papers for English and Maths and Science via the equivalency testing route have a 'C' as the lowest grade possible.

www.equivalencytesting.com/ have two options available, either £300 for the distance learning tuition per subject (+£150 Exam fee) or exam only at £150.00 per subject (01277 203336). The exam only option is very popular; candidates are expected to undertake the 'learning' themselves. You could access some GCSE books, find yourself a tutor or set up a study group with a friend or colleague.

Alternatively you could undertake the full GCSE; GCSE's in 'English and Maths' are currently FREE for Adult Learners, courses typically start in September and last for an academic year. Training providers will usually put you through a skills test and then either place you on a GCSE course or may request that you complete a Level 2 first. Ask your local college or training provider if they offer GCSE courses for Adult Learners or contact <u>Go Learn</u> on 0800 988 0308.