QUALIFICATION SPECIFICATION

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Award in British Values (Level 1)





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# About this qualification specification

This qualification specification is intended for tutors, centre quality managers and other staff within Gateway Qualifications recognised centres and/or prospective centres.

It sets out what is required of the learner in order to achieve the qualification. It also contains information specific to managing and delivering the qualification including specific quality assurance requirements.

The specification should be read in conjunction with the Gateway Qualifications Centre Handbook and other publications available on the website which contain more detailed guidance on assessment.

In order to offer this qualification you must be a Gateway Qualifications recognised centre.

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#### 1. Qualification Information

# 1.1. About the qualification

The qualification is regulated by Ofqual (the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation) that regulates qualifications, examinations and assessments in England and Qualifications Wales who is the regulator of non-degree qualifications for Wales.

This qualification is a short introduction for learners of all abilities to develop understanding of British Values. The qualification is assessed via an online assessment. Learners come from a variety of backgrounds and cultures, and many British-born learners do not fully understand what is meant by British Values. This qualification breaks down these complex concepts, using straightforward language and accessible (often scenario-based) questions to assess learners' understanding.

For centres in England it can demonstrate to Ofsted that all students have a good grounding in British Values and also supports the purposes of the curriculum for Wales to be introduced from 2022 in schools, specifically in developing ethical, informed citizens who and are ready to be citizens of Wales and the world, and the goals of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

# 1.2. Objective

The qualification provides a basic introduction to the core concepts associated with British values, extremism, radicalisation and the basic principles of keeping safe from the risk of radicalisation including online.

#### 1.3. Key facts

Qualification Title	Total Qualification Time	Guided Learning	Credit Value
Gateway Qualifications Level 1 Award in British Values	20	10	2



**Total Qualification Time** is the number of notional hours which represents an estimate of the total amount of time that could be reasonably expected to be required for a Learner to achieve and demonstrate the achievement of the level of attainment necessary for the award of the qualification.

Total Qualification Time is comprised of the following two elements:

- the number of hours which an awarding organisation has assigned to a qualification for Guided Learning, and
- an estimate of the number of hours a Learner will reasonably be likely to spend in preparation, study or any other form of participation in education or training, including assessment, which takes place by – but, unlike Guided Learning, not under the immediate guidance or supervision of a lecturer, supervisor, tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training.

# 1.4. Achievement methodology

The qualification will be awarded to learners who successfully achieve the single mandatory unit via an online multiple-choice examination.

# 1.5. Geographical coverage

This qualification has been approved by Ofqual to be offered in England and by Qualification Wales in Wales.

If a centre based in Northern Ireland or overseas (including Scotland) would like to offer this qualification, they should make an enquiry to Gateway Qualifications.

#### 1.6. Progression opportunities

The knowledge and understanding developed through undertaking the programme of learning should support further study.

#### 1.7. Funding

For information regarding potential sources of funding please visit the Education and Skills Funding Agency website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/education-and-skills-funding-agency.

The qualification is listed on S96 as available for delivery to young people aged less than 19 years old (refer to Section 2.1 Age for the approved age range of this qualification).

Current funding information for Wales is available on Qualifications in Wales (QiW).



# 1.8. Equality, diversity and inclusion

It is Gateway Qualifications' aim that there shall be equal opportunities within this organisation and in all the services it provides and within its recognised centres and via the services they provide and so meet the organisation's legal responsibilities to prevent discrimination.

In particular, it is the organisation's intention that there should be no discrimination on the grounds of a protected characteristic including age, disability, gender assignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion and belief, sex and sexual orientation. It is acknowledged that this is not an exhaustive list.



# 2. Learner Entry Requirements

### 2.1. Age

The qualification has been approved for learners aged pre-16, 16-18 and 19+.

It is recommended that the minimum age of access is 14.

# 2.2. Prior qualifications

There is no requirement for learners to have achieved prior qualifications or units in the particular sector prior to undertaking this qualification.

# 2.3. Prior skills/knowledge/understanding

There is no requirement for learners to have prior skills, knowledge or understanding.

#### 2.4. Restrictions

There are no restrictions to entry.

## 2.5. Access to qualifications for learners with disabilities or specific needs

Gateway Qualifications understands its requirement as an awarding organisation to make reasonable adjustments where a learner, who is disabled within the meaning of the Equality Act 2010, would be at a substantial disadvantage in comparison to someone who is not disabled.

Gateway Qualifications has identified reasonable adjustments permissible for the British Values online assessment as detailed below. A reasonable adjustment is unique to an individual and therefore may not be included in the list of available access arrangements.

Centres do not need to apply to Gateway Qualifications for approval of reasonable adjustments unless adaptation of online assessment material is required. All reasonable adjustments made by the centre must be recorded on the Gateway Qualifications' Reasonable Adjustments Form and should be made available to Gateway Qualifications upon request.

Additional time up to 30 minutes and formatting changes can be made directly within the Surpass system by the centre without formal approval by Gateway Qualifications. Further guidance is available on the Gateway Qualifications website: <u>Surpass administrator and invigilator guidance for centres</u>. For any other adjustments centres will need to apply to



Gateway Qualifications. Guidance on this process can be found on the Forms and Guidance page of Gateway Qualifications' website.

Requests for special consideration should be submitted as soon as possible after the assessment and no later than 5 working days after the assessment. Please refer to the Reasonable Adjustments and Special Consideration Policy for circumstances where requests for special consideration may be accepted after the results of assessment have been released.

The following adaptations are examples of what may be considered for the purposes of facilitating access, as long as they do not impact on any competence standards being tested:

- adapting assessment materials
- adaptation of the physical environment for access purposes
- adaptation to equipment
- assessment material in an enlarged format or Braille
- assessment material in different colour format or in audio format
- British Sign Language (BSL)
- changing or adapting the assessment method
- changing usual assessment arrangements
- extra time
- language modified assessment material
- practical assistant
- prompter
- providing assistance during assessment
- reader
- scribe
- transcript
- use of assistive software
- using assistive technology
- · use of CCTV, coloured overlays, low vision aids
- use of a different assessment location
- use of ICT/responses using electronic devices.

It is important to note that not all of the adjustments (as above) will be reasonable, permissible or practical in particular situations. The learner may not need, nor be allowed the same adjustment for all assessments.

Learners should be fully involved in any decisions about adjustments/adaptations. This will ensure that individual needs can be met, whilst still bearing in mind the specified assessment criteria for a particular qualification.

A reasonable adjustment for a particular learner may be unique to that individual and may not be included in the list of available access arrangements specified above.

#### **Special Considerations**

Requests for special consideration should be submitted as soon as possible. Please refer to the Reasonable Adjustments and Special Consideration Policy.



# 2.6. Additional requirements/guidance

There are no additional rules or guidance regarding learner entry requirements.

# 2.7. Recruiting learners with integrity

It is vital that centres recruit with integrity with regard to qualifications. Centres must ensure that learners have the correct information and advice on their selected qualification and that the qualification will meet their needs.

The recruitment process must include the centre assessing each potential learner and making justifiable and professional judgements about the learner's potential to successfully complete the assessment and achieve the qualification. Such an assessment must identify, where appropriate, the support that will be made available to the learner to facilitate access to the qualification.



# 3. Achieving the Qualification

# 3.1. Qualification structure (rules of combination and unit list)

The knowledge that will be assessed as part of the qualification is set out within the unit specification. These include the learning outcomes, associated assessment criteria and indicative content.

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Learners must achieve the single mandatory unit.

Unit Numbe	Unit Title	Level	Guided Learning	
K/615/8	720 Fundamental British Values	1	10	2

# 3.2. Recognition of prior learning

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) provides learners and Centres with an alternative assessment method by which a learner's previous achievements can meet the assessment requirements for a unit/qualification through the knowledge, understanding or skills that they already possess and so, do not need to develop these through a course of learning.

It enables the recognition of achievement from a range of activities using any valid assessment methodology. Provided that the assessment requirements of a given unit or qualification have been met, the use of RPL is acceptable to contribute to a unit, units or a whole qualification according to the RPL criteria for a given qualification.

The process of Recognition for Prior Learning is not applicable to this qualification.

#### 3.3. Links to other qualifications

There are no direct links to other qualifications.



# 4. Quality Assurance, Delivery and Assessment

#### 4.1. Method of assessment

The method of assessment for the qualification is through an externally set and marked online multiple-choice test, via the 'Surpass' SecureClient browser.

When we set up a centre in Surpass we will also set up two generic users; Admin and Invigilator. If your centre requires more users please inform us by emailing the Customer Excellence team.

The overall grading type is Pass/Fail.

### 4.2. Assessment language

This qualification is assessed in English only.

# 4.3. Qualification-specific centre requirements

Centres must provide sufficient devices available for candidates to undertake the online test. Centres must also ensure that hardware and systems meet the minimum requirements for the delivery of this online test, details of which are available on the Gateway Qualifications website:

https://www.gatewayqualifications.org.uk/advice-guidance/help-admin-tasks/external-assessment/online-assessment-system-and-hardware-requirements/

Please note that the online assessment platform does not support tablet/mobile devices.

Centres will be subject to external monitoring to ensure compliance to centre recognition terms and conditions.

#### 4.4. Qualification-specific tutor requirements

The centre must provide staff with appropriate inductions and professional development (including a development plan) to ensure staff can maintain their expertise and competence for the delivery of the qualification.

The centre must ensure that staff involved with a qualification will fully understand the relevant qualification specification provided by Gateway Qualifications and will comply with its provisions.



# 4.5. Qualification-specific quality assurance requirements

There are no additional internal/external quality assurance requirements for this qualification.

The qualification will be subject to external quality assurance visits to check centre and qualification compliance in line with the centre recognition terms and conditions and qualification requirements.

### 4.6. Suggested resources

- BBC Bitesize Modern Studies Democracy in the UK: www.bbc.co.uk/education
- British Religion in Numbers, for data on religion and belief in UK: www.brin.ac.uk
- Office for National Statistics: www.ons.gov.uk
- NSPCC: www.nspcc.org.uk/share-aware
- National Crime agency (CEOP): www.thinkuknow.co.uk
- Report from the Prime Minister's Task Force on Tackling Radicalisation and Extremism: Tackling extremism in the UK, HMG, December 2013: www.gov.uk/government/publications/tackling-extremism-in-the-uk-report-by-theextremism-taskforce
- Government's counter terrorism strategy, CONTEST: www.gov.uk/government/collections/contest
- Prevent Strategy: www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-strategy-2011
- Channel programme guidance: www.gov.uk/government/publications/channelquidance
- Radicalisation Research: www.radicalisationresearch.org
- Home Affairs Committee Nineteenth Report, Roots of violent radicalisation, February 2012:
  - www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201012/cmselect/cmhaff/1446/144602.htm
- Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Universal Declaration of Human Rights: www.ohchr.org/EN/UDHR/Pages/UDHRIndex.aspx
- The European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR): www.echr.coe.int/Documents/Convention ENG.pdf
- The Human Rights Act 1998: www.equalityhumanrights.com/your-rights/humanrights/what-are-human-rights/human-rights-act
- Working together to safeguard children (2015), Statutory guidance on inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children: www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-safeguard-children--2
  - Guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children:
- www.workingtogetheronline.co.uk/
- For advice about tackling radicalisation within the family go to Families Against Stress and Trauma at: www.familiesmatter.org.uk
- To report suspected online terrorist content please follow: www.gov.uk/report-terrorism
- Report extremist content to social media providers. Find out more at: www.seeitreportit.org
- UK Safer Internet Centre: www.saferinternet.org.uk/news/online-radicalisation-andextremism



# 4.7. Learner registration and assessment booking

Learners should be registered via the Quartzweb online portal. For all externally assessed qualifications, a second step of assessment scheduling (booking) must also be carried out.

For the British Values qualification, an assessment window is permitted. The dates between which the candidates will sit must be entered. This window should be as small as practicable (for example, we would suggest no longer than one month).

Applications for reasonable adjustments should be made at least 5 working days prior to learners undertaking the assessment and are subject to approval by Gateway Qualifications.

# 4.8. Assessment guidance

Learners should be given the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the online platform before taking the multiple-choice test.

#### 4.9. Time limit

The total time permitted time to complete the assessment is 40 minutes. Once the permitted time has been reached the assessment will end.

#### 4.10. Assessment taking

The assessment is available on demand and online.

The total time permitted time to complete the assessment is 40 minutes. Once the permitted time has been reached the assessment will end.

# 4.11. Supervision arrangements

The Centre must ensure that learners are supervised whilst taking the online assessment.

The Teacher/Tutor can act as the supervisor.

The Centre must ensure that:

- all candidates are within direct sight of the supervisor throughout the assessment
- display materials which might provide assistance are removed or covered
- candidates do not have access to e-mail, the internet or mobile phones



- candidates complete their work independently and that interaction with other candidates does not occur
- staff supervising the assessment are familiar with any specific instructions relating to the assessments
- learners are not offered any advice or assistance other than accessing the assessment.

#### 4.12. Assessment conditions

Any room in which an assessment is held must provide learners with appropriate conditions for taking the assessment. The centre must pay attention to conditions such as heating, lighting, ventilation and the level of outside noise. The centre must ensure that the room is accessible and appropriate for learners with disabilities (in accordance with the Equalities Act 2010).

Display material (such as maps, diagrams, wall charts and projected images) which might be helpful to the learner must not be visible in the assessment room.

#### Persons present

Only candidates taking the assessment and authorised centre staff, i.e. the supervisor/s are allowed in the assessment room.

Gateway Qualifications reserves the right to visit centres during the assessment to inspect the arrangements made for the security of confidential examination material and for the conduct of the assessments.

A sign must be placed on the door to alert others that an exam is taking place.

#### Seating arrangements

The seating arrangements must prevent candidates from overlooking (intentionally or otherwise) the work of others.

#### Before the assessment

Assessment conditions are deemed to be in progress from the time the candidates enter the room until all candidates have completed the assessment and left the room.

Before candidates are permitted to start work the supervisor must:

- inform the candidates that they are now subject to assessment conditions and read out the relevant notices and warnings
- warn candidates that any unauthorised material must be handed in (this should also include any food or drinks, which may only be allowed at the discretion of the centre)
- remind candidates that they are forbidden to communicate in any way with, seek assistance from, or give assistance to, another learner whilst they are in the assessment room.



## Conduct of candidates during assessments

Candidates must be supervised throughout the progress of the assessment. Supervisor/s must give complete attention to this duty at all times, being vigilant and remaining aware of emerging situations, looking out for possible cheating, malpractice or candidates feeling unwell. Any irregularities must be recorded, please refer to the invigilator guidance. Supervisors are required to move around the assessment room quietly and at frequent intervals.

# How should contact between the supervisor and the candidate be monitored and recorded?

The supervisor should keep a record of feedback and advice provided to groups of learners and to an individual learner where this may affect the assessment outcome.

#### **Misconduct**

This type of assessments relies heavily on the integrity of the learners. In those cases where misconduct occurs, or is thought to have occurred, this will be investigated by Gateway Qualifications and results may be withheld.

# Candidates leaving the room

Candidates who are allowed to leave the assessment room temporarily must be accompanied by a member of staff. Those candidates may be allowed extra time at the discretion of the centre.

Candidates can leave the room quietly once they have completed their assessment.

#### **Evacuation procedures**

Staff, supervisors and candidates must be aware of the evacuation procedure in case of an emergency, such as a fire alarm or bomb alert. The following action should be taken:

- stop the candidates by pausing the assessment online
- collect the attendance register (in order to ensure all candidates are present)
- evacuate the assessment room
- candidates should leave the room in silence
- make sure the candidates are supervised as closely as possible while they are out
  of the assessment room to make sure there is no discussion about the assessment
  being sat
- make a note of the time of the interruption and how long it lasted
- allow the candidates the full working time for the assessment
- make a full report of the incident and of the action taken, and send to the Customer Excellence Department at Gateway Qualifications.



# 4.13. Re-sitting an assessment

Learners may re-sit the assessment. In order to schedule a re-sit, centres will need to use the Quartzweb online portal and schedule a new assessment. This is available once results are released following the initial sitting.

There is no minimum time between assessment attempts although learners should be given adequate opportunity to improve their knowledge before re-sitting the assessment.

Please see <u>Section 4.7 Learner registration and assessment booking.</u>

# 4.14. Marking and results

The assessment is marked externally within the online assessment platform. Centres will be able to report from the online assessment platform to determine results.

Certification of learners will follow within published timescales.

# 4.15. Additional requirements/guidance

Learners are likely to come from a wide variety of backgrounds and whilst some will have some idea about what is meant by British values many will not or may be confused. There are some complex concepts that will need to be broken down into understandable language.



#### 5. What to do Next

For existing centres please contact your named Development Manager or Development Officer.

For organisations, not yet registered as Gateway Qualifications centre please contact:

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# 6. Gateway Qualifications

Gateway Qualifications, a not for profit registered charity, is an Awarding Organisation based in Colchester.

We work with learning providers and industry experts to design and develop qualifications that benefit the learner and the employer.

We support flexible, responsive and quality assured learning opportunities whether it's in the classroom, at work, in the community or through distance learning.

We are recognised by Ofqual, to design, develop and submit qualifications to the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF).



# 7. Appendices

# 7.1. Appendix 1 - Unit Details

# **Fundamental British Values**

Level: Level 1

Credit Value: 2
GLH: 10

**Unit Number:** K/615/8720

This unit has 6 learning outcomes.

LEARNING OUTCOMES	ASSESSMENT CRITERIA
The learner will:	The learner can:
1 Know about democracy.	<ul> <li>1.1 Give a definition of the term 'democracy'.</li> <li>1.2 Give examples of democratic practices.</li> <li>1.3 Give examples of democratic organisations in Britain.</li> <li>1.4 Outline ways for individuals to get involved in the democratic process in Britain.</li> </ul>
2 Know about the rule of law.	<ul> <li>2.1 Give a definition of the term 'rule of law'.</li> <li>2.2 Give examples of different laws in own part of the United Kingdom.</li> <li>2.3 Outline benefits of living under the rule of law.</li> <li>2.4 Outline possible consequences for individuals of breaking the law.</li> </ul>
3 Know about individual liberty.	<ul><li>3.1 Give a definition of the term 'individual liberty'.</li><li>3.2 Give examples of current individual liberties enjoyed by people in Britain.</li></ul>
4 Know about mutual respect and tolerance.	<ul> <li>4.1 Outline some different faiths and beliefs held by groups of people in Britain.</li> <li>4.2 Give examples of ways for individuals to show mutual respect and tolerance to people with different faiths and beliefs.</li> <li>4.3 Give reasons why it is important to respect and tolerate people with different beliefs and views from one's own.</li> </ul>



LEARNING OUTCOMES	ASSESSMENT CRITERIA
The learner will:	The learner can:
5 Know about extremism.	<ul><li>5.1 State what is meant by 'extremism', giving examples of different extremist beliefs.</li><li>5.2 Outline how extremist groups can sometimes engage in criminal activity, giving examples of illegal actions carried out by particular groups.</li></ul>
6 Know about keeping safe from radicalisation.	<ul> <li>6.1 Outline some of the warning signs that an extremist group or an individual with extremist beliefs may be involved in criminal activity.</li> <li>6.2 State some of the methods that extremist groups use to encourage people to join them, adopt their beliefs and/or engage in criminal activity on behalf of the group.</li> <li>6.3 Outline some key ways individuals can keep themselves safe from radicalisation, including when online.</li> <li>6.4 Give examples of what to do if <ul> <li>(a) you think you or another person is at risk of being radicalised</li> <li>(b) you become aware of possible or actual criminal extremist activity.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



#### **Indicative Content: Fundamental British Values**

Learners are likely to come from a wide variety of backgrounds and whilst some will have some idea about what is meant by British Values many will not or may be confused. There are some complex concepts that will need to be broken down into understandable language.

#### **Learning Outcome 1:**

- An exploration of the definition of the term 'democracy' in the United Kingdom:
  - A representative democracy which is based on power being held by elected representatives.
  - An accountable democracy where people can vote for their representatives and vote them out if they do not like the decisions they make.
  - A participatory democracy where people can become involved in politics e.g. joining a party, trade union or pressure group, campaigning in elections.
- What are **elections** and who is allowed to **vote** in the United Kingdom?
- Key elections:
  - o local (Parish, District and Borough, County and City Councils)
  - o regional (Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales)
  - o national
  - European
  - o referenda.
- What is a **political party** and what are the main political parties in the United Kingdom?
- How the **UK parliament** is constructed House of Commons, House of Lords and where the monarchy fits in.
- What is meant by national government, the Prime Minister and the Official Opposition?
- What other ways can an individual participate in the democratic process? E.g.:
  - Joining pressure groups
  - Joining Trade Unions
  - Taking part in peaceful campaigns and lawful protest.

#### **Learning Outcome 2:**

- A basic definition of the rule of law in the United Kingdom e.g. that fair law should govern the country and that the law should apply equally to everyone, including government so:
  - a) No one is more powerful than the law
  - b) Everyone is equal under the law
  - c) Judges apply the law independently

So the rule of law is a set of rules that **protects people's rights** and stops **dictatorship**.



- The strongest laws are made by Parliament because it is representative and accountable, and by changing the people in Parliament we can have a say in changing the law.
- Why the rule of law is important. Outline the benefits to individuals, e.g.:
  - equality
  - o protection of rights
  - o fairness
  - o keeping public order.
- No punishment without a court decision that the law has been broken.
- Different types of punishment if you are found quilty of breaking the law, e.g.:
  - o prison sentence
  - o fines
  - o community orders
  - o suspended sentence
  - o tagging.
- Examples of different laws that affect day to day living to support learner understanding, including some that impinge directly on their lives or have been recently introduced, e.g.:
  - o compulsory education,
  - o driving on the left hand side of the road
  - o the use of mobile phones while driving
  - o Equality Act 2010
  - Health and Safety at Work Act 1974

#### **Learning Outcome 3:**

- A definition of the term individual liberty e.g. the liberty (freedom) of an individual to make **choices and decisions** where they are not controlled by government and law.
- Examples of individual liberties enjoyed by people in Britain, e.g.:
  - o freedom of association
  - o freedom of thought, belief and religion
  - o freedom of speech and peaceful protest
  - o the right to a fair trial
  - o the right to life.
- An introduction to The Human Rights Act 1998. Defending an individual's rights in UK
  courts and requires public organisations to treat everyone equally, with fairness,
  dignity and respect.
- What are the benefits to be gained from having individual liberty?

#### **Learning Outcome 4:**

What is meant by mutual respect and tolerance, i.e. they are values that recognise and respect the individual liberty of others, even if their choices, lifestyle and beliefs are ones someone does not agree with or like.



- Mutual Respect: Treating others as you would like to be treated.
- **Tolerance:** Accepting the right for others to have different views to yours.
- The nine **protected characteristics** in the Equality Act 2010:
  - Age
  - o Disability
  - Gender reassignment
  - Marriage and civil partnership
  - Pregnancy and maternity
  - Race
  - Religion or belief
  - o Sex
  - Sexual orientation.
- Main faiths and belief groups in Britain e.g. Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism, Judaism, Buddhism. The importance of not imposing our beliefs on others, recognition of the importance of religious practices, traditions, cultural heritage, and preferences.
- What are the negative impacts of labelling people and being prejudiced for any reason?
- What are the benefits of mutual respect and tolerance? E.g. peace within communities and between people, reduction in crime, a fairer and more balanced society.

# **Learning Outcome 5:**

- An understanding of extremism which is sensitive. A generic meaning might be: to have beliefs that most people think are unreasonable and unacceptable. Or, the vocal or active opposition to our fundamental values, including democracy.
- An understanding of what is meant by terrorism such as "the use or threat of action designed to influence the government or intimidate the public which is done for the purpose of advancing a political, religious or ideological cause and which endangers or causes serious harm to people or property, or seriously disrupts or interferes with an electronic system. (Terrorism Act, 2000)."
- An understanding of what is meant by radicalisation such as attempts by individuals or groups to convince others to adopt extreme views and potentially engage in unlawful activities.
- Differences between extremism and terrorism i.e. not all extremists are terrorists –
  extremism is having views or thoughts; terrorism requires use or threat of intimidating
  action.
- Examples of what an extremist group might do could involve **breaking the law**: bullying, threatening, and/or intimidating someone because they don't share the same belief/views, causing damage to property to get a political viewpoint across.
- Examples of what an extremist group might do that would be terrorist activity: calls for the death of members of the armed forces and the police, unlawful violence against others, murder.



 Having extremist thoughts can make people vulnerable to terrorists or terrorist groups. What to do if you have concerns about extremism, terrorism or radicalisation (see outcome 6).

### **Learning Outcome 6:**

- Terrorist radicalisation and recruitment is not confined to one faith or ideology.
- An explanation about what is meant by the warning signs of radicalisation and ways in which individuals may become radicalised and the methods that may be adopted to encourage people to join in, adopt their radical beliefs and become involved in criminal activity. E.g.:
  - Propaganda particularly on the internet and social media sites
  - o **Befriending** to become part of a group or 'community'
  - Targeting those identified as susceptible and marginalised such as by gender, age, economic class or ethnicity.
  - o Indoctrination of young children through cartoons, video games
- An outline of ways in which individuals can keep safe from radicalisation. Focus on raising awareness in a safe way.
- Online safety could include:
  - o don't post personal information like address, phone number
  - o think carefully before posting pictures or videos of self or others
  - o keeping privacy settings as high as possible
  - not giving out passwords
  - o don't befriend people you do not know
  - don't meet up with people you have met online people are not always who they say they are online
  - o respect other people's views, not being rude and insulting if you don't agree with them
  - know your faith so you can identify an extremist version of it, ask for advice from a trusted source if you are unsure or suspicious, don't keep secrets from your family and friends.
  - critically think why someone might ask you to become involved in violence, bloodshed or murder.
  - if something is seen online that makes you feel uncomfortable, unsafe or worried
     leave the website, turn off the computer and tell a trusted adult.

#### Keeping safe with mobile phones:

- o don't give your phone number out to someone you don't know
- o don't send pictures to people you don't know
- o don't reply to messages from people you don't know
- don't reply to nasty messages
- keep messages and show them to a trusted adult, make a note of the time and date
- o let withheld callers or unknown go to voicemail.
- block numbers if necessary
- o tell someone if you are worried.

# • Keeping safe in the community:



- When you are out and about know how to keep yourself safe.
- o Know where safe places are in the community.
- Radicalisation is a safeguarding issue that everyone should be aware of and act on.
  - What to do if you feel you are or another person is at risk of being radicalised seek support, talk to family, teachers, religious leaders.
  - What to do if you become aware of possible or actual extremist activity. There are many ways to get help: report to the police, report this anonymously online.
     Immediate action may be required to prevent an atrocity.





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