

Supporting EDSQ delivery 20th May 2022

Manchester Adult Education



### Introducing Gateway Qualifications

- Over 30 years of expertise
- Wide range of regulated qualifications
- Access to Higher Education Diplomas
- Focus on creating the highest quality of qualifications accessible to all
- Committed to excellent customer service



# Legal Entitlement - Essential Digital Skills

- National entitlement to fully fund eligible adults with no or low digital skills to enrol on specified digital qualifications at Entry and Level 1
- Only Essential Digital Skills qualifications can be used for the adult legal entitlement – now the fourth legal entitlement
- Qualifications available at Entry 3 and Level 1 funded for both adults and 16-19 learners
- Funding policy



### Key features

- ✓ Life, work and study covered in each qualification
- ✓ Online, on demand assessment
- ✓ Free initial assessment tool
- ✓ Knowledge tested through multiple choice questions
- ✓ Assessments can be taken in different settings.
- ✓ Mock tests
- ✓ Easy to mark



### Qualification details

- Size: 45 GLH at each level
- Coverage: each qualification covers all five strands of the national standards, and most of the skills statements in each strand.
- Purposes and target learner groups:
  - E3 skills for life with an introduction to skills for work;
  - Level 1 skills for life and work.





# **'Connecting Manchester's adults to their community, their potential and their future.'**

- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
- English and Maths (up to GCSE)
- Digital Skills (EDS offer)
- Health and Social Care
- Early Years and Education
- Community Learning
- Make it Happen!

# Manchester Adult Education

### **Essential Digital Skills**

- Upskilling to deliver EDS started in April 2020
- Started delivery of stand alone **Essential Digital Skills courses** in September 2020
- Frequent EDS intakes across 7 MAES centres
- Started using BKSB in October 2021
- Introduced EDSQ alongside Functional Skills in Jan 2022































- **Enhance Digital Teaching** Platform with ETF
- Gateway webinars
- Independent research/creativity

### "I needed to brush up my computer skills for work."

Anna updated her **Digital Skills for Work** at our Forum Adult Learning Centre and quickly secured work!

- Communicating
- Transacting
- Creating and editing
- Being safe and responsible
- Using different devices and handling information

Coming back to work after ill health, I was getting knocked back at interviews for not having up-to-date IT skills. The JobCentre suggested a course at my local Adult Ed centre so I enrolled Before I'd even completed the course I got another interview. I felt confident enough to ask them about their IT system and this time my new skills matched their requirements and I got the job.

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**GCF Global** 

Gateway Qualifications

**BKSB** 

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### bksb demo





#### bksb Essential Digital Skills



bksb is one of the UK's leading online teaching platforms, used by over 80% of FE colleges and hundreds of training providers, schools, universities and employers. Millions of learners improve their skills with bksb each year.

#### **Course Content**

Our Essential Digital Skills course includes a diagnostic assessment, learning resources and progress checks which cover 5 core areas across two tiers of ability:

- Entry Level is for adults with little or no prior experience of using digital services or the Internet
- Level 1 is for adults who lack secure digital skills, but who do have some experience of using digital services or the Internet

#### The 5 topic areas are:

- Using Devices and Handling Information
- Creating and Editing
- Communicating
- Transacting
- Being Safe and Responsible Online

#### **Exclusive Offer for Gateway Qualifications Centres**

Centres approved for Gateway Qualifications EDSQ can benefit from an exclusive 20% discount on their first year's license for bksb Digital Skills Assessments and Resources.

Contact bksb for an online trial or webinar: <a href="mailto:bksbenguiries@bksb.co.uk">bksbenguiries@bksb.co.uk</a> or on 0333 300 3467

# Comprehensive free support

- Guides for centres & learners
- Teaching resources covering all strands
- Initial assessment tool
- Standardisation materials
- Glossary for learners
- Webinars and training
- Mock tests
- Dedicated EDSQ team







## Surpass How To Videos







### Interactive support sessions

Onboarding sessions:

Quick Start to EDSQ

**Delivering & Assessing EDSQ** 



- Exclusive live webinars available to approved centres only
- Staff must register with their work email address and can attend sessions more than once
- Run regularly throughout the year and are hosted by a senior member of our Quality team



# What stage are you at?

- I want to know more about becoming approved for EDSQ
- I want to know more about Gateway Qualifications resources
- I want to know more about using bksb resources
- I'm already running EDSQ and using bksb resources





### Business Development



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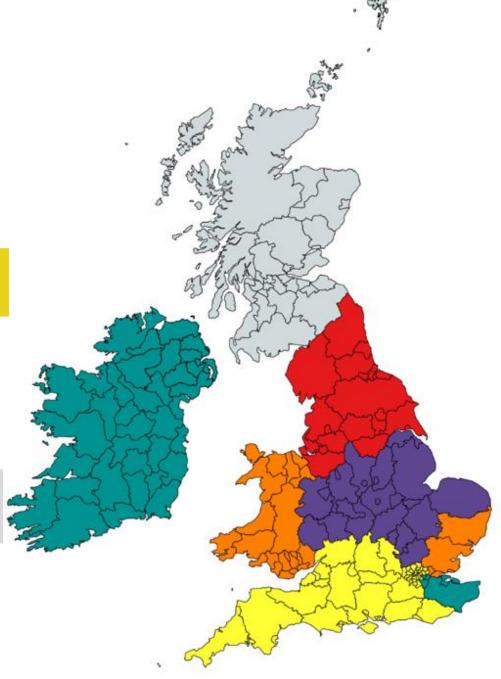
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# Any questions?



### Digital Functional Skills

- DfE subject content and Ofqual requirements now published
- New Digital Functional Skills qualifications available from Aug 2023
- Only Entry 3 and Level 1





# Webinar roundup

#### Click an image to register or watch on demand











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