

Key Skills - Update Four - Nov 04

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Resources

We have more details on the web to support you in your Key Skills delivery and assessment. We have links to other sites which may also help you.

One site we would particularly recommend is the ReadWritePlus website which supports the Adult Basic Skills strategy (part of the DfES) unit developments.

The beauty of the materials is that they are generally free and exceptionally well produced.

Adult Literacy and Numeracy

You may find that the Adult Literacy and Numeracy qualifications are more suitable for your learners than Key Skills. They are available at Entry Level through to Level 2.

The qualifications are test based, which means **NO PORTFOLIO!!**

On-Demand Testing

In the last Update we told you about on-demand portfolio assessment. This compliments our on-screen tests for Level 1 and 2. If you are already offering on-screen assessment, why not consider offering a pilot for some learners and see the benefits:

- Lower costs
- Better achievement

Details of on-screen can be found on the Edexcel website.

Tell The Team

Any centre that would like to contribute to this update please e-mail the team below:
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CD-Rom

A CD-Rom with materials relating to the 2004 standards is available from publications priced at £25.00. It includes the following, some of which can still be ordered as individual items.

TITLE	ISSUE	ORDER CODE
SKILLS FOR LIFE - CD ROM INTRO	-	-
BASIC SKILLS RESOURCE LIST	-	-
KEY SKILLS RESOURCE LIST	-	-
KS COMPARISON DOCUMENT BETWEEN 2000/02-2004 STDS	ISSUE 1	XO15569
KS USER GUIDE (REVISED FOR 2004)	ISSUE 3	XO09312
KS (INC WIDER KEY SKILLS) RECORD AND TRACKING	ISSUE 1	XO15569
IT EXAMPLE PORTFOLIO	ISSUE 2	XO13312
APPLICATION OF NUMBER EXAMPLE PORTFOLIO	ISSUE 2	
COMMUNICATION EXAMPLE PORTFOLIO	ISSUE 2	XO13313
APPLICATION OF NUMBER LEVEL 3 EXAMPLE TEST WITH COMMENTARIES	ISSUE 1	XO14751
COMMUNICATION LEVEL 3 EXAMPLE TEST WITH COMMENTARIES	ISSUE 1	XO14750
IT LEVEL 3 EXAMPLE TEST WITH COMMENTARIES	ISSUE 1	XO14752

Embedding

If you have already completed a questionnaire asking about embedding Key Skills into vocational qualifications, a big THANK YOU to you. More details about this project and how you can get involved in the next Update

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