



NCFE CACHE Level 1 Award in

# An Introduction to Early Years Settings

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Qualification facts

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# About this qualification

This qualification is suitable for parents and volunteers wishing to participate in provisions in early years settings and allows learners to gain an understanding of the provision of childcare available in early years settings. The Award is part of Foundation Learning, it will be signposted to relevant National Occupational Standards where applicable and will reflect the themes of Every Child Matters and Early Years Foundation.

## Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for this qualification but learners will need to be at least 16 years of age.

## Experience in the workplace

Learners do not need to be working but it is recommended that they should be volunteering in an early years setting.

## Qualification structure

**Award criteria:**  
To complete the Award learners must achieve a minimum of 6 credits.

5 credits must be achieved from the mandatory units and then a further 1 credit must be achieved from the optional units.

## Mandatory units

Unit ref no.	Title	Unit type	Level	Credit
J/601/3734	The value of play for babies and young children	Knowledge	1	3
K/601/3743	Management and organisation in an early years setting	Knowledge	1	2

Unit ref no.	Title	Unit type	Level	Credit
H/601/3756	Introduction to community development in early years settings	Knowledge	1	1
H/601/3806	Roles and responsibilities in an early years setting	Knowledge	1	1

Total Guided Learning Hours for the Award: 51

## Assessment

All units will be individually internally assessed using a range of methods which could include: written assignments or tasks such as designing a leaflet or booklet, charts or diagrams or setting up an information board.

The qualification will be pass or refer and all the assessment criteria for the chosen units must be achieved in order to obtain a pass.

## Progression

Learners will be able to progress to a broad range of destinations as outlined in Foundation Learning including:

- 14-19 national suites
- full level 2 provision for adults
- access to employment.

## For more information

Full details of this qualification can be found on our website [www.cache.org.uk](http://www.cache.org.uk) or our secure Centre website [cachezone](http://cachezone).

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CACHE was established in 1945 by the Ministry of Health under the name of the National Nursery Examination Board (NNEB). The board set the syllabus for the first national examination which took place in 1947. In 1994 the NNEB merged with the Council for Early Years Awards to form CACHE. In 2001 we incorporated the National Association for Maternal and Child Welfare and in 2015 we became part of NCFE. Over the years we have continually invested in high quality qualifications. Written and developed by experts, they have helped millions of learners across the world to raise professional standards, earning us a reputation for excellence and leadership across the sector. Our continued dedication to those who care for children, young people and adults means that our qualifications will continue to meet the needs of a modern workforce.

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