

# Pre-employment webinar

## Bite-sized maths and English

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# Introductions



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# Welcome to this session...

## We'll be focusing on

- Mathematics/English Skills (3847)
- Principles of Mathematics/English (3844)

## Including information about

- qualification structures
- assessment arrangements
- funding rules/possibilities.



# Units for developing maths and English skills

Easy to **contextualise** learning and assessment

Designed to **complement** Functional Skills and GCSE (but **not** to compete!)

Help **build** learners' confidence

Allows **deeper dive** into specific areas of curriculum

A flexible, focused and personalised framework for developing and recognising numeracy and literacy capabilities.



# Mathematics Skills and English Skills (3847)

- Collection of small (10-20 hour) units, each of which focuses on a **specific area** of the adult numeracy and literacy national standards.
- 100 units in total (**55** maths, **45** English), covering **Entry 1** to **Level 2**
- Each unit is a qualification in its own right; can also be combined into larger ‘themed’ awards and certificates.
- **Portfolio-assessed** – with no externally set assignments or exams.

## English Skills and Mathematics Skills



# Mathematics and English Skills (3847)

	Mathematics Skills	English Skills
Available at	Entry 1, Entry 2, Entry 3, Level 1, Level 2	
Assessment	Internally assessed – portfolio based	
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>55 single-unit Award qualifications</b> (3847-21) (TQT 10-20 hours, depending on unit size)</li> <li>▪ <b>‘themed’ Award qualifications</b> at each level (3847-23) (TQT 40-70 hours, depending on level) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Number</li> <li>▪ Measure, shape and space</li> <li>▪ Handling data</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ <b>Certificate qualification</b> covers full range of skills at each level (3847-22) (TQT 130-150 hours, depending on level)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>45 single-unit Award qualifications</b> (3847-01) (TQT each 20 hours)</li> <li>▪ <b>‘themed’ Award qualifications</b> at each level (3847-03) (TQT each 60 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reading</li> <li>▪ Writing</li> <li>▪ Speaking and listening</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ <b>Certificate qualification</b> covering full range of skills at each level (3847-02) ( TQT each 180 hours)</li> </ul>





# Mathematics Skills – full range of units

## Table of units - Maths skills (3847)

Flexible, bite-sized framework qualifications that meet individual learning needs

	Mathematics skills: Number					Mathematics skills: Measure, shape and space				Mathematics skills: Handling data				
Entry 1	Whole numbers to 10 (20 GLH)	Addition (20 GLH)	Subtraction (20 GLH)			Money (10 GLH)	Time (10 GLH)	Size, length, width and height (10 GLH)	Weight and capacity (8 GLH)	Common shapes and positional vocabulary (10 GLH)	Extract and sort data (13 GLH)	Represent information (20 GLH)		
Entry 2	Whole numbers to 100 (19 GLH)	Addition (10 GLH)	Subtraction (10 GLH)	Fractions (10 GLH)	Multiplication (10 GLH)	Money (10 GLH)	Time (10 GLH)	Length (10 GLH)	Weight, capacity and temperature (10 GLH)	Shapes and positional vocabulary (10 GLH)	Extract and sort data (20 GLH)	Collect and represent information (16 GLH)		
Entry 3	Addition and subtraction (20 GLH)	Fractions (10 GLH)	Multiplication (10 GLH)	Division (10 GLH)	Decimals (9 GLH)	Money (10 GLH)	Time (10 GLH)	Length, weight, capacity and shapes (18 GLH)			Extract and use data (19 GLH)	Represent information (16 GLH)		
Level 1	Positive and negative numbers (19 GLH)	Fractions ratio and proportion (18 GLH)	Decimals (10 GLH)	Percentages (10 GLH)		Money, time and temperature (10 GLH)	Length, weight and capacity (10 GLH)	Calculating using shape and space (17 GLH)			Extract and interpret data (9 GLH)	Collect, organise and represent data (6 GLH)	Mean and range (10 GLH)	Probability (10 GLH)
Level 2	Number and formulae (10 GLH)	Fractions, ratio and proportion (18 GLH)	Decimals (10 GLH)	Percentages (14 GLH)		Money, time and temperature (10 GLH)	Length, weight and capacity (10 GLH)	Shape and space (16 GLH)			Extract and interpret data (7 GLH)	Collect and use data (9 GLH)	Statistics (9 GLH)	Probability (10 GLH)

**THEMED AWARD**

**CERTIFICATE**



# English Skills – full range of units

## Table of units - English skills (3847)

Flexible, bite-sized framework qualifications that meet individual learning needs

	English skills: Reading			English skills: Speaking and Listening			English skills: Writing		
<b>Entry 1</b>	Reading words, and symbols (20 GLH)	Using reading skills (20 GLH)	Reading for meaning (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to provide information (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to obtain information (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to take part in a conversation (20 GLH)	Using grammar and punctuation in writing (20 GLH)	Writing letters of the alphabet and spelling words (20 GLH)	Using structure in writing (20 GLH)
<b>Entry 2</b>	Reading and understanding the meaning of words (20 GLH)	Using reading skills (20 GLH)	Reading for meaning (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to provide information (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to obtain information (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening in a conversation (20 GLH)	Using grammar and punctuation in writing (20 GLH)	Using spelling methods in writing (20 GLH)	Using structure to write simple text (20 GLH)
<b>Entry 3</b>	Using different reading strategies for words and phrases (20 GLH)	Using reading strategies (20 GLH)	Reading for meaning (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to provide information (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to obtain information (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to take part in a discussion (20 GLH)	Using grammar, punctuation and spelling in writing (20 GLH)	Using planning and organisation in writing (20 GLH)	Writing to communicate (20 GLH)
<b>Level 1</b>	Using reading to extend vocabulary (20 GLH)	Using reading strategies (20 GLH)	Reading for meaning (20 GLH)	Presenting information by speaking and listening (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to obtain information (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to take part in a discussion (20 GLH)	Using grammar, punctuation and spelling in writing (20 GLH)	Planning and organising writing (20 GLH)	Using structure and content in writing (20 GLH)
<b>Level 2</b>	Using reading to develop vocabulary (20 GLH)	Using reading strategies (20 GLH)	Reading for meaning (20 GLH)	Presenting information by speaking and listening (20 GLH)	Obtaining information by speaking and listening (20 GLH)	Speaking and listening to take part in a discussion (20 GLH)	Using grammar, punctuation and spelling in writing (20 GLH)	Planning and organising writing (20 GLH)	Writing for clear communication (20 GLH)

**THEMED AWARD**

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# Building the skills

## Select unit(s) you intend to deliver

- Each unit has learning outcomes and **assessment criteria** which need to be met (normally on at least two occasions).
- **Assessment Pack** sets out these requirements in full, along with further guidance and examples.



## Each unit can either be recognised as a qualification in its own right, or combined into larger qualifications

- **Themed Awards**
  - Mathematics – **Number** (3-6 units)
  - Mathematics – **Measure, Shape and Space** (3-5 units)
  - Mathematics – **Handling Data** (2-4 units)
  - English – **Reading** (3 units)
  - English – **Speaking and Listening** (3 units)
  - English – **Writing** (3 units)
- **Certificates**
  - **Mathematics** – across the whole standard (10-12 units)
  - **English** – across the whole standard (9 units).
- **Qualification handbook** sets out rules of combination, and other administrative/delivery requirements.



# Other key documents

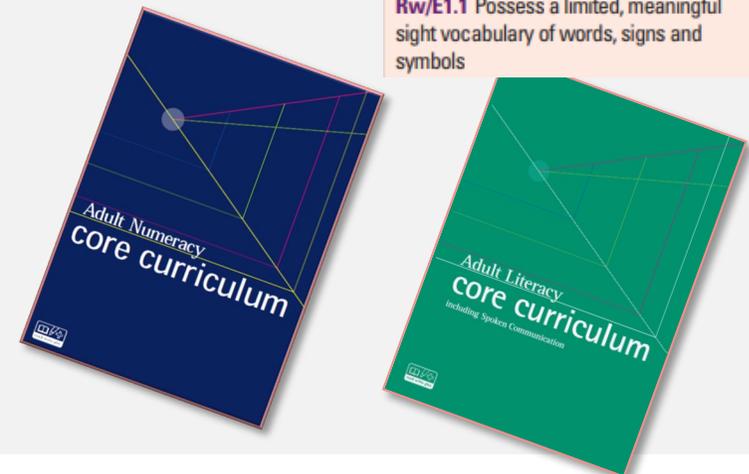
## Logbook

- Used to **record, track and locate evidence**.
- **Each unit must be signed-off** by candidate and assessor, once requirements have been met.
- **Can be done electronically**, using an e-portfolio system.



## Core Curriculum

- Sets out **teaching and learning expectations** that underpin the adult numeracy/literacy national standards (on which these qualifications are based).
- Relevant Core Curriculum references are displayed within the **Assessment Criteria** for each unit, eg:



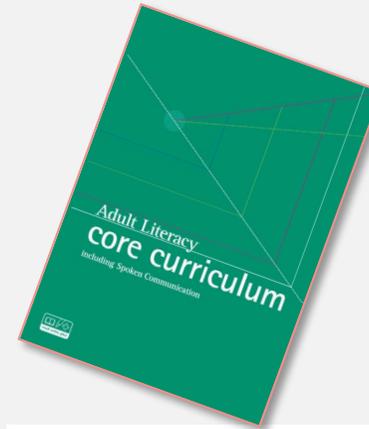
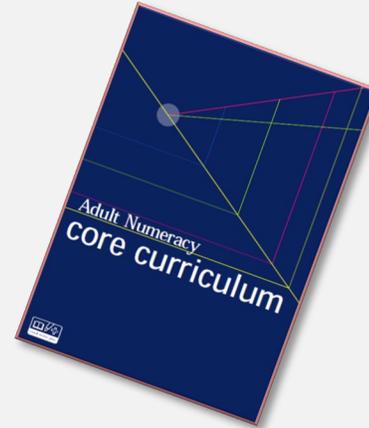
# Core Curriculum

As a result of the level 2 and below consultation the government are looking at reviewing the Core Curriculum.

When FS was reformed, we saw a movement in the content. FS is based on the Subject Content. To support you we created mapping documents.

Insert mapping document- see the differences- show where they fit against FS

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Supporting your transition to the 2019 reformed Functional Skills qualifications

Mathematics



# Portfolio building, some tips...

- A key factor that centres need to be mindful of, where the evidence is generated remotely or not in a traditional classroom environment, is one of authenticity. Evidence may meet more than one purpose/unit.
- Candidate and assessor **both** need to sign-off unit once complete, it doesn't necessarily have to be a physical signature.
- The Assessor must be comfortable that they know what the learner is capable of and be able to sign off the evidence, confident that it is representative of the learner's abilities or knowledge.
- Centres need to have robust internal quality assurance processes in place to satisfy their IQA. Clear referencing will enable IQA and EQA to be able to carry out quality checks.

**Think  
holistically**

**Clear  
referencing  
is essential**

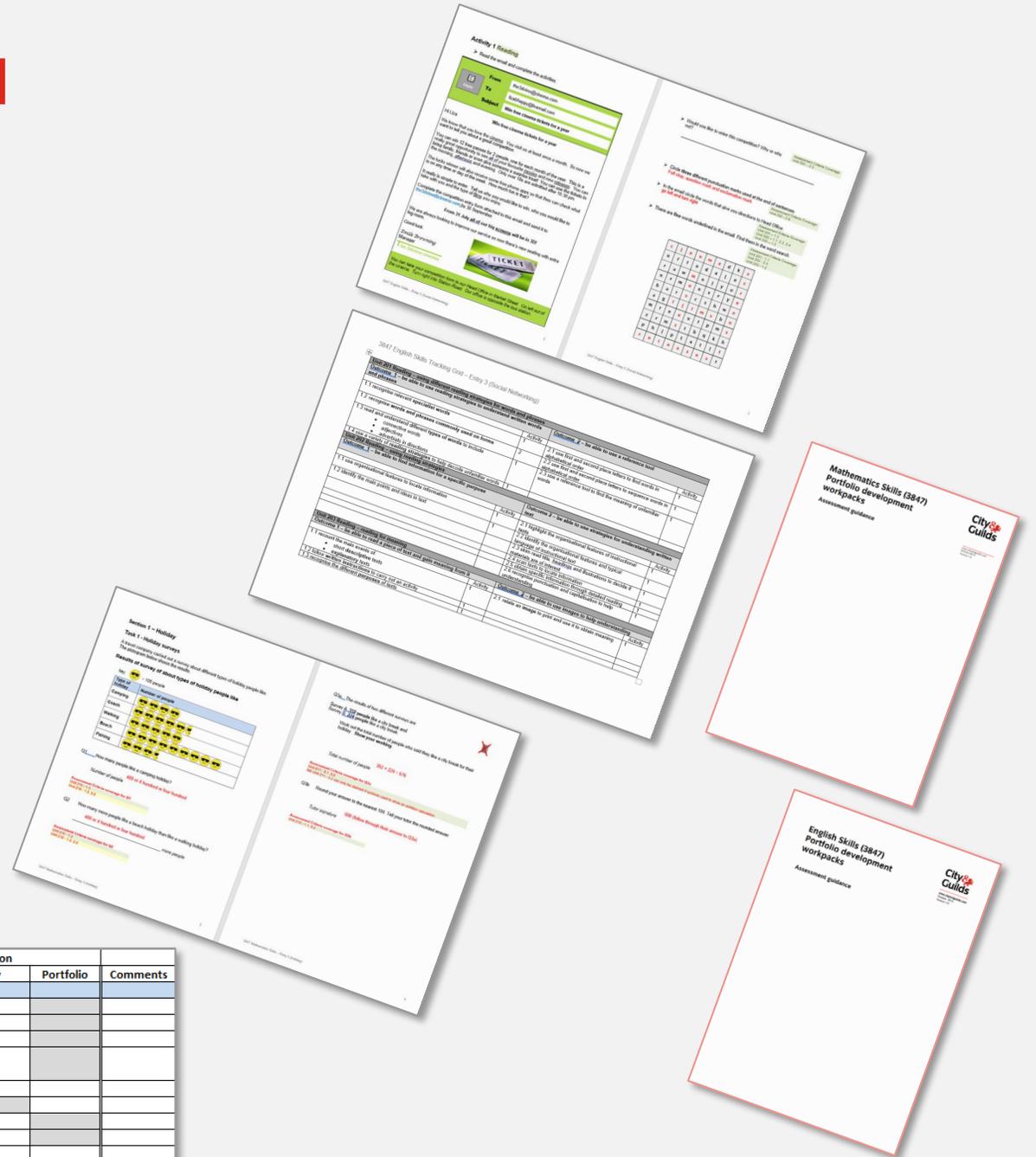
**Authentication  
and sign-off**



# Workpacks – extra help and ideas for portfolio building

## Not mandatory, but...

- Provides structure and ‘ready-made’ activities for generating evidence.
- Helps illustrate how activities can be framed holistically to meet several criteria/units at once.
- Provides inspiration if you’re stuck for ideas – or want a standardised approach.
- Easy to adapt, re-purpose and re-contextualise (all of the documents are in **Word**).
- Tracking grids are also available to show where the evidence from the work packs meets the assessment criteria.



Unit	Evidence location				Comments
	Homes	Holiday	Portfolio		
AC					
210 Number - Whole numbers to 1000					
1.1 State numbers 0-1000 given in digit form	A7, A8	Q3b			
1.2 Count in tens from any number below 1000	A7	A3a			
1.3 Count in hundreds from any number below 1000	A8	Q1, Q2			
2.1 Read numbers written in numerical form	Q3, Q4, Q5, Q7, Q8, Q13, A1	Q8, A6, A7			
3.1 Match numbers in figures to numbers in words		A7			
4.1 Arrange numbers in order of value	A1				
4.2 Compare numbers	A1	Q11			
5.1 Round numbers to the nearest 10	Q14	Q6			
5.2 Round numbers to the nearest 100		Q3b			

# Principles of Mathematics (3844)

- Covers substantive parts of the adult numeracy and literacy standards, with a particular focus on receptive skills, knowledge and understanding.
- Assessment through a one-off **on-screen test** – available on-demand with **instant results**.
- Enables learners to demonstrate a **solid grasp** of the key principles of maths and English, as well as the **resilience** to operate effectively in a test environment.
- Available at **Entry 3 to Level 2**.



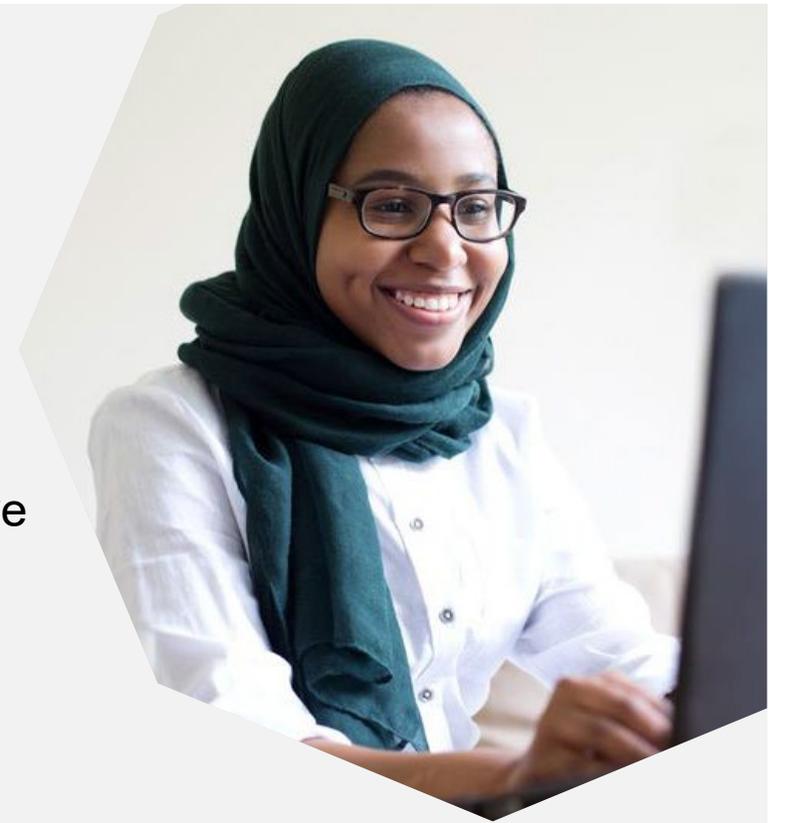
# What they are how are they useful?

## **Certificate in the Principles of Using Mathematical Techniques:**

- 13 credit single unit Framework qualifications at Levels 1 and 2
- externally set, on demand, onscreen assessment through the e-volve platform

## **Award in the Principles of Using Written and Spoken English**

- 10 credit single unit Framework qualifications at Levels 1 and 2
- externally set, on demand, on screen assessment through the e-volve platform



- **Based on the Adult Core Curriculum**
- **Only available on screen through evolve**
- **Test for English and test for maths (separate)**



# Principles of Mathematics and English (3844)

	Certificate in the Principles of Using Mathematical Techniques	Award in the Principles of Using Written and Spoken English
Available at	Entry 3, Level 1, Level 2	
Assessment	Externally set and marked on-screen test Available on-demand with instant results	
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Covers <sup>c</sup>70% of the standard (with focus on key principles, knowledge and understanding of mathematical techniques)</li> <li>▪ <b>Two</b> test components (non-calculator and calculator-permitted)</li> <li>▪ TQT 130 hours</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Covers <sup>c</sup>55% of the standard (with focus on listening, reading and understanding SPaG rules)</li> <li>▪ <b>Single</b> test component (includes listening activity)</li> <li>▪ TQT 100 hours</li> </ul>



# Key documents

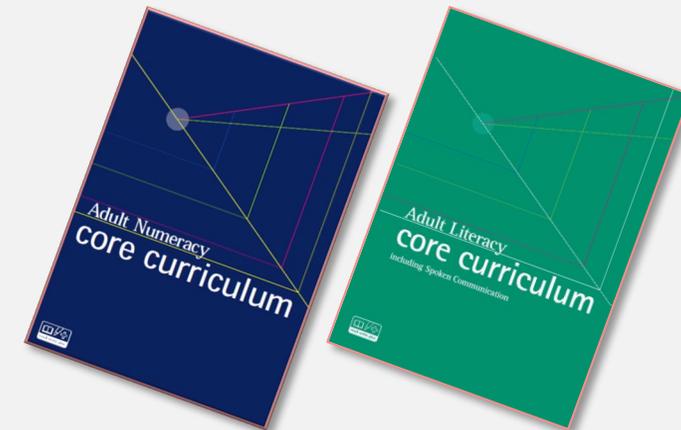
Each qualification is a single-unit – covering substantive part of the adult numeracy/literacy standard

- **Qualification Handbook** sets out
  - learning outcomes and assessment criteria
  - test specifications (coverage and mark weightings).



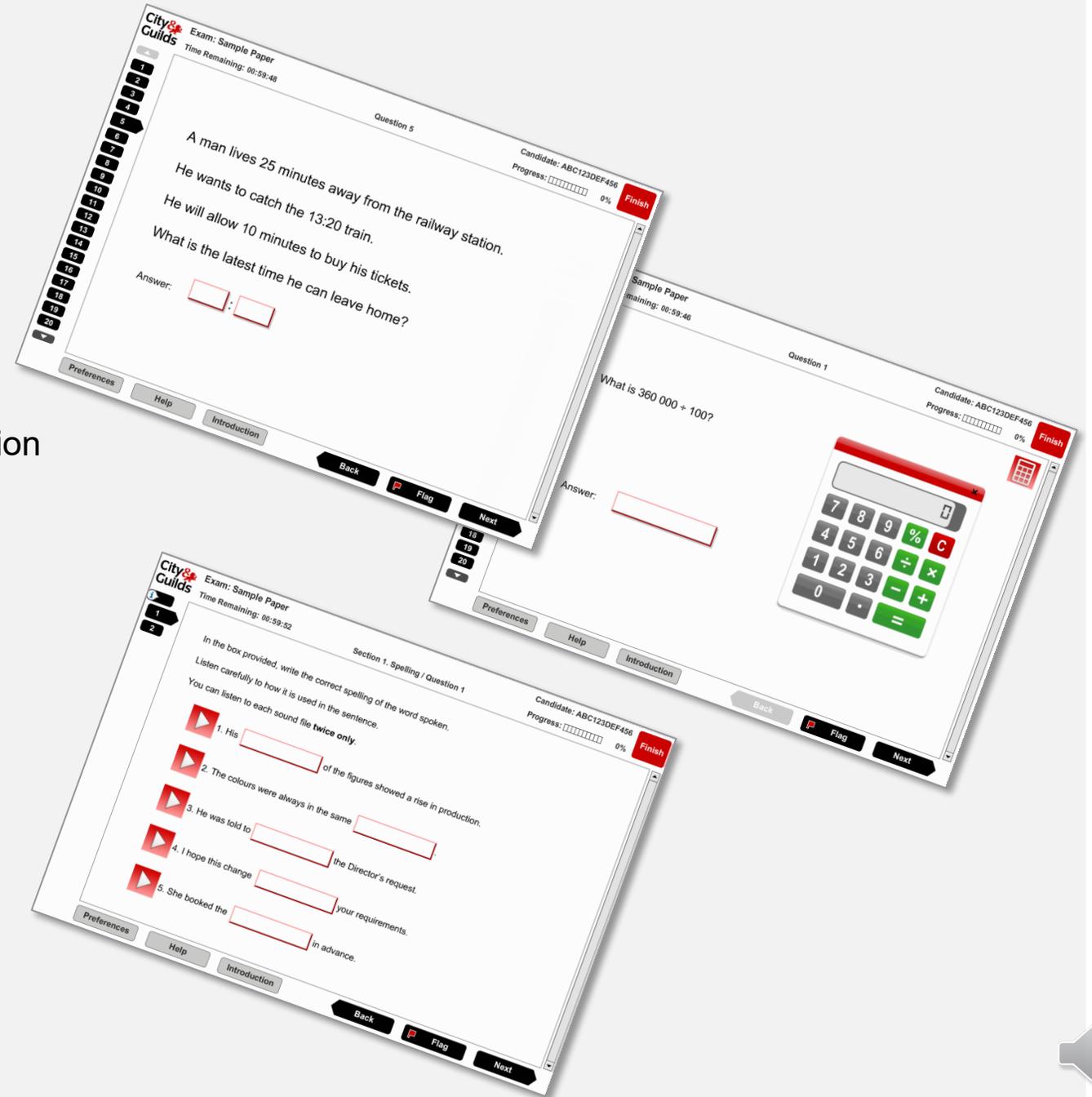
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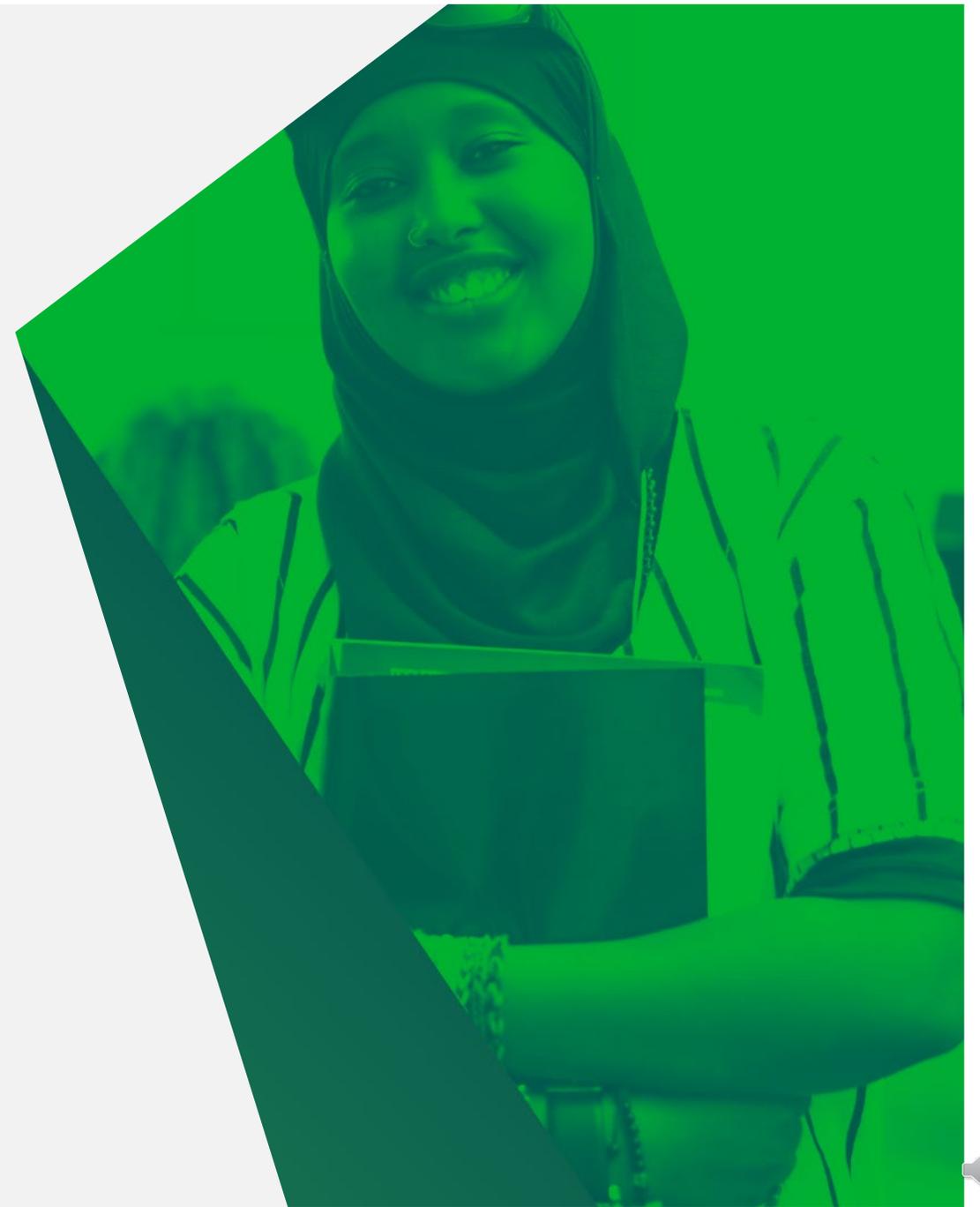
# Testing structure

- Two tests for **Mathematics**
  - non-calculator
  - calculator-permitted.
- One test for **English**
  - includes listening, reading comprehension and proof-reading.
- All questions **‘fixed response’**
  - designed for on-screen delivery
  - automated marking
  - results available **immediately**.



# Where these qualifications fit into the bigger picture

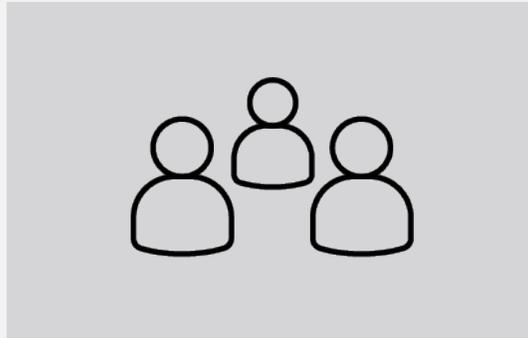
Key points to understand...



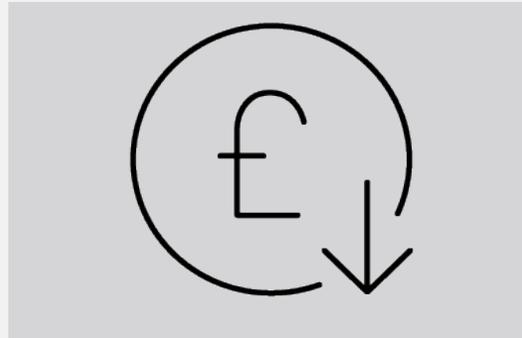
# What these qualifications are...

They're not trying to 'compete' with **Functional Skills or GCSE**, but can be...

...used to support progress towards either/both of these



The portfolio approach is useful for SEND learners, but also for a wide range of other learners to.



Some of these qualification attract funding, in their won right, but can be used as part of larger program.



They're intended to support and recognise learners' achievements...



# How these qualifications are being used successfully



## Principles of English & Maths (3844)

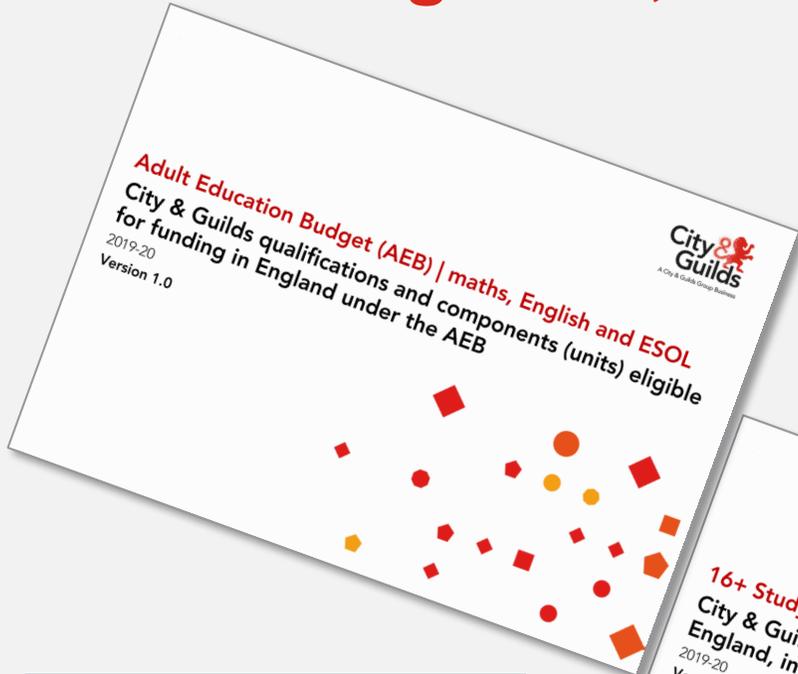
- At Islington ACL these are predominately used for those learners who struggle with the worded questions of Functional Skills.
- Our second-language learners often comment that the straightforward questions are a lot easier for them to understand and answer
- We feel that these qualifications give the learners an alternative opportunity to achieve an Entry Level 3/Level 1/Level 2 qualification if Functional Skills is beyond them
- Funded at Entry Level 3 and Level 1

## English Skills and Mathematics Skills (3847)

- These are used when we deliver short English & Maths programmes. The units are contextualised and embedded to meet the course aims and objectives e.g., 6 week Sewing Maths course incorporates units on measure, adding and subtracting and fractions
- Units can be used individually, as Themed Awards or as Certificate-sized qualifications. They are portfolio based which means no end of course exam and the anxieties that often comes with this
- Can be incorporated as part of the Multiply Project
- Are funded for Entry Levels and Level 1



# Funding rules, within England



There are circumstances where these units and qualifications can attract Adult Education Budget funding.

Also, some of the Entry level Mathematics/English Skills qualifications can be counted directly towards the 16-18 Condition of Funding.

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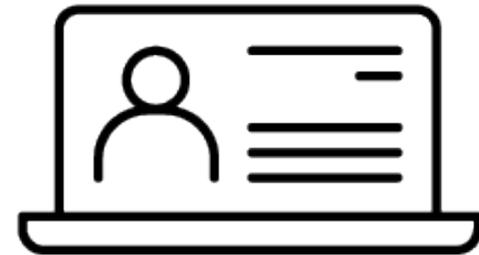




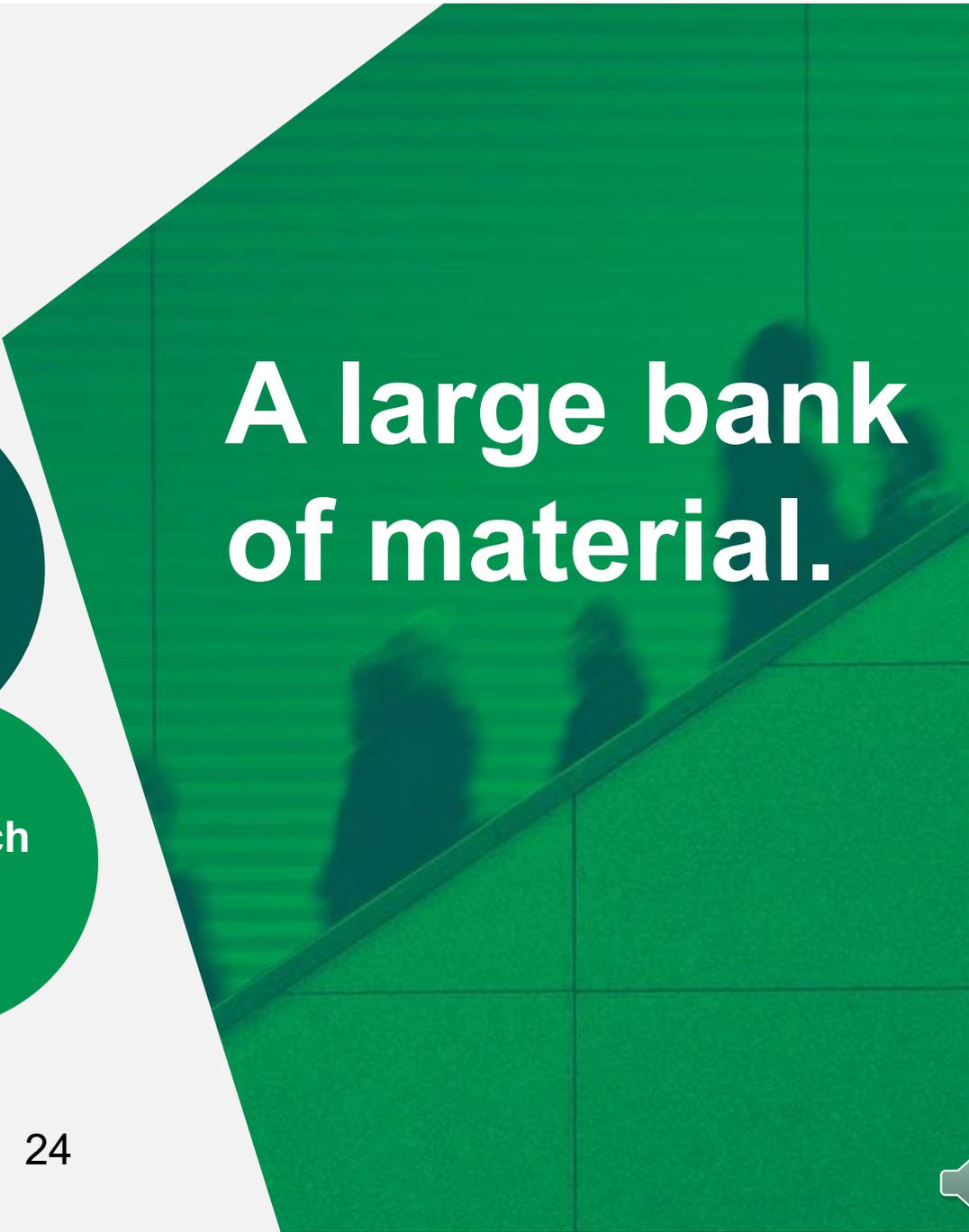
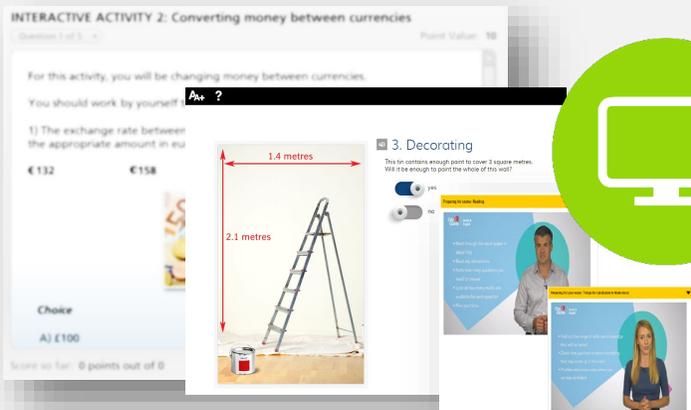
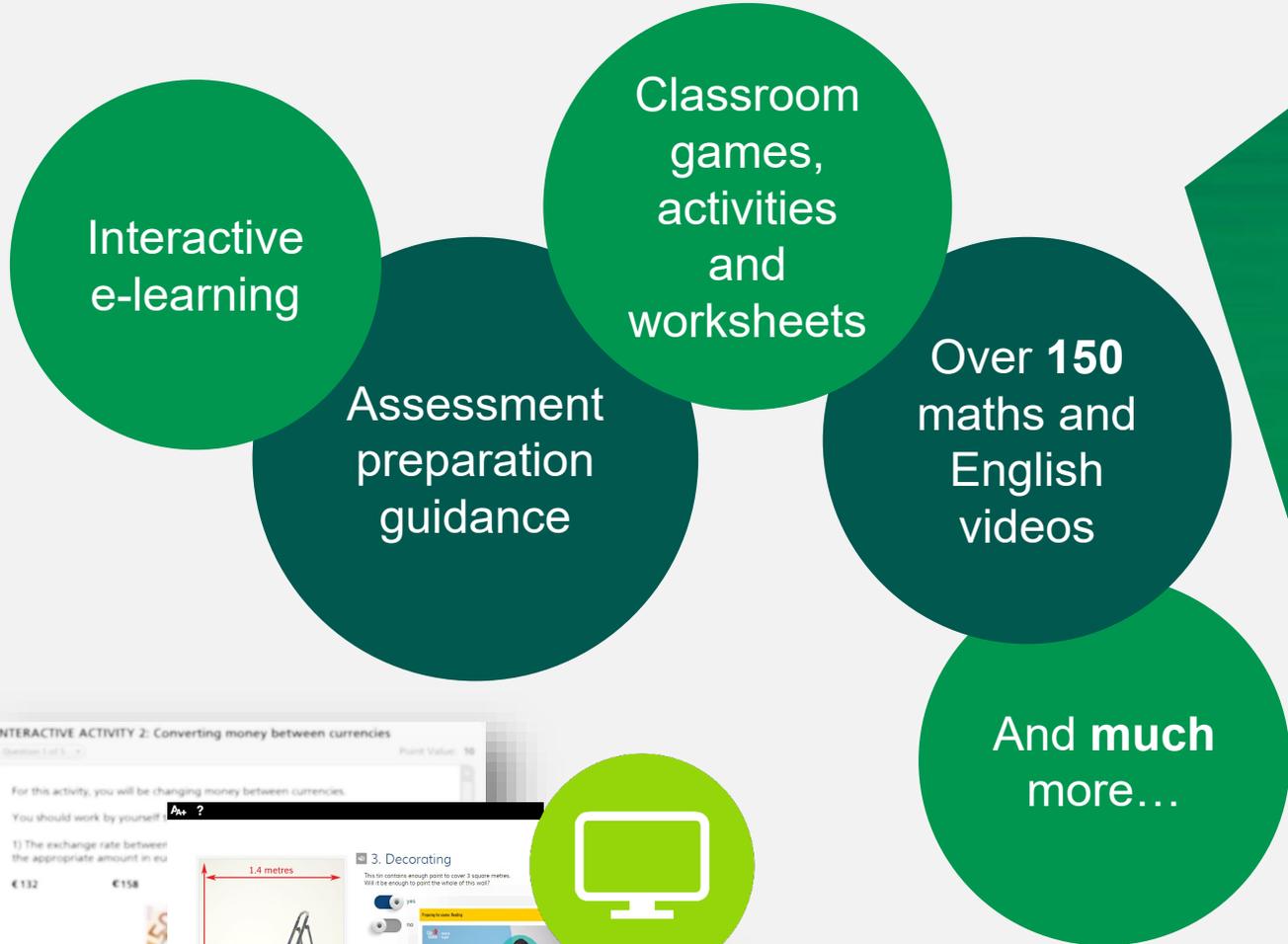
## Learning resources

### SmartScreen

maths and English content



# SmartScreen content...



# A large bank of material.



# Navigating the resources

Qual-specific resource guides

See list of resources relevant to each of the unit outcomes and criteria

## Reading

Unit number and learning outcome	Assessment criteria	Suggested resources	How to use this resource
Unit 201: Using different reading strategies for words and phrases 1. Be able to use reading strategies to understand written words and phrases:	1.1 recognise relevant specialist words (Rw/E3.1)	<b>Video 6: The reading process</b>	A video to watch in class to show learners how to approach reading as a three-stage process: before, during and after. Very useful when teaching the skill of checking your work.
		<b>Interactive activity 12: Different meanings in different contexts</b>	Use in class as a fun activity to practise understanding vocabulary in different types of text. Learners will match words to their slang equivalent, with their acronym or informal version. As an extension, higher-level learners can suggest further slang/acronyms/informal versions of common vocabulary.
	1.2 recognise words and phrases commonly used on forms (Rw/E3.2)	<b>Activity 11: Understanding words and instructions on forms</b>	Use in class to develop skills in recognising and reading words designated at level. Learners can build on the skills needed to complete common forms such as a membership application form.
	1.3 read and understand different types of words to include •connective words •adverbials •directions (Rs/E3.2)	<b>Interactive activity 9: Types of words</b>	An activity to use on screen or as a worksheet. Use in class to help learners recognise nouns, verbs, adverbs, adjectives and linking words in an everyday social context. This can also develop learners' knowledge of the different types of words in the English language that will help them with their reading.

- The SmartScreen resources are, in themselves, 'qualification-agnostic'.
- The resource guides show how they can be related to particular qualifications.

Access resources from the bank





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