#FunSkills2019



Functional Skills Reform monthly updates

Webinar 04: English – 28 November 2018

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Welcome to webinar 4 - English

Questions

Please post your questions during the webinar. We may not be able to answer them live, but will add them to the FAQs we are developing.

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New to the monthly updates?

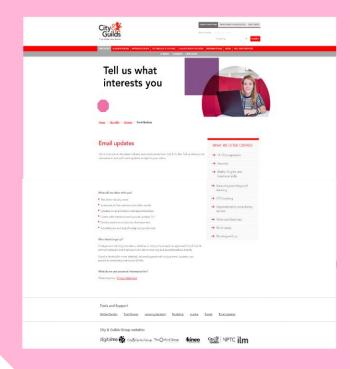
If this is your first webinar, you can find the link to the recordings of the previous webinar on our updates page

Functional Skills Updates





Don't forget you can sign up for our email alerts and events!



Hot off the press...



We have a **special #FunSkills2019 webinar** on **11 December**: Claire Collins will be joining us to introduce the Phonics Toolkit and CPD programme she has been working with ETF to develop.

Like all awarding organisations, City & Guilds is in the process of liaising with Ofqual over its plans for the reformed Functional Skills qualifications.

Content has **not** changed much, but do bear in mind...

Entry level a bit more focused on mechanics of language – eg 'say words of alphabet'.

Use of **image** is back – remember this from Key Skills…?

Opinions and arguments now expected to be backed up with evidence

including at Level 1.

Underpinning versus problem solving:

Underpinning

More explicit testing of knowledge and understanding – eg word lists at Entry level, no dictionaries for Writing.



Problem Solving

Still crucial, especially at Levels 1-2.

Working with authentic texts, producing documents fit for intended purpose.

We will be sharing sample assessments as soon as we are able.

The new Ofqual conditions, requirements and guidance can be found here: gov.uk/education/functional-skills.

Subject content overview:

The content for <u>Functional Skills English</u> is available from <u>gov.uk/education/functional-skills</u>



- demonstrates ability to read, write, speak, listen and communicate;
- apply this knowledge and these skills in familiar situations
- provides basis for further study at Levels 1 and 2.

Levels 1 and 2

- demonstrates ability to read, write, speak, listen and communicate;
- also to apply these skills effectively to a range of purposes in the workplace and in other real life situations.



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Subject content functional skills: English

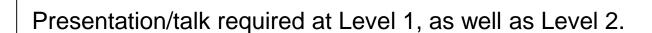
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Expectations at each level:

As before, the subject content at each level subsumes the level(s) below.



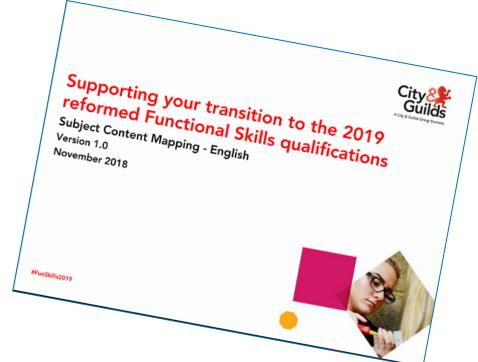
Defined lists of word to spell at Entry level (will be sampled in assessment)



To help illustrate the changes we have produced a mapping document comparing before and after.

Mapping Document

A copy of the mapping doc will be available from the Updates page of our website (<u>Functional Skills Updates</u>) and will go out in the follow up email.



Don't forget the special Phonics webinar on Tuesday 11 December!









Next month's special webinar will focus on Phonics

If you would like us to answer any particular questions, please submit them to:

fsreform@cityandguilds.com



This will take place on 11 December at 15.30.

Planned CPD sessions to support English delivery:

Date	Venue	Content
12/12/18	London	Teaching & Learning: How to understand English criteria to develop achievable learning aims.
07/01/19	Wakefield	Teaching & Learning: How to make the most of digital tools in English teaching.
11/02/19	Wakefield	Teaching & Learning: How to master problem-solving in the English class/How to effectively use task-based learning.
11/03/19	Wakefield	Teaching & Learning: How to read criteria to develop achievable learning aims/How to boost your confidence and develop your English skills.

For more information on our upcoming events, please visit: City & Guilds Events

Staying in touch

- Webinars every month if you're signed up you should get an email reminder
 - · each webinar will have a theme/focus, as well as providing a general update
 - a recording will be available shortly after each webinar.
- Email alerts
 - make sure you're signed up
 - · encourage others to sign up.
- Functional Skills updates page.
- Coming soon
 - FAQs
 - · Maths and English blog
 - networks and launch events.

Thank you

For more information about the Functional Skills reform programme, please visit

<u>cityandguilds.com/mathsandenglish</u>
Then follow links to <u>Functional Skills updates</u>.

There's a dedicated email address: fsreform@cityandguilds.com

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