

**Train Together**

# Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant



**Realise Your Potential**



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## About us.

We are an Ofsted-rated "Good" provider with over a decade of experience at the forefront of specialised apprenticeship training in the schools and education sector.

Our expertise encompasses Management and Leadership, Finance and Accountancy, Facilities Management, Early Years Education, and Teaching and Learning in Schools.

Our aim is to ensure every learner receives the best education and training possible, preparing them for success in their future career, while also equipping our clients with highly skilled professionals who can drive their organisations forward.

By partnering with us, clients benefit from tailored training solutions that meet their specific needs, enhance operational efficiency, and foster long-term growth and development

# About us.

At Train Together, we specialise in supporting all types of educational institutions. We understand the unique challenges in education and deliver tailored solutions that drive success across schools, academies, and other learning environments.

Our innovative delivery models combine the latest technology with industry expert training. This approach ensures that the learning journey is engaging, effective, and maximises value for both learners and the businesses we work with.

## Our Values and What Makes Us Tick



**Nurture:** Maintaining excellent relationships with stakeholders is key to meeting our vision and mission.



**Courageous:** We embrace difficult conversations and are committed to walking the walk, not just talking the talk.



**Genuine:** Transparency in all we do ensures clear and clean communication with all stakeholders.



**Dedicated:** We go above and beyond for our learners and clients, offering excellent resources and support to achieve their goals.



**Empower:** Providing information, advice, and guidance enables excellent decision-making and helps our partners meet their objectives.





# Understanding The Challenge

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**Diverse Learning Needs:** Schools are faced with the challenge of supporting students with a wide range of abilities, backgrounds, and special educational needs, ensuring every child has access to quality learning.

**Academic and Emotional Development:** Balancing the academic and emotional growth of students is critical, yet schools often need additional support to provide targeted interventions and foster a nurturing environment.



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**Effective Communication Across Teams:**

Coordinating between teachers, parents, and support staff to maintain a consistent and supportive approach can be challenging, especially with large student populations and limited resources.

**Maintaining High Standards and Professional Development:** Schools must meet high standards in teaching and support, but finding the time and resources for staff development to keep up with best practices is an ongoing struggle.



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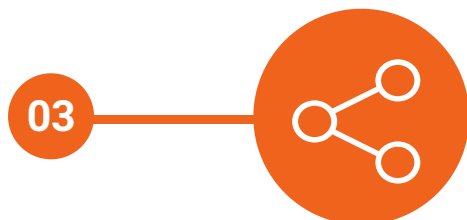


# A Collaborative Solution



**Supporting Diverse Learning Needs:** Trained in inclusive strategies, Specialist Teaching Assistants adapt resources and teaching methods to meet individual student needs, including those with SEND, ensuring equitable support.

**Promoting Academic and Emotional Growth:** Specialist Teaching Assistants provide targeted academic and emotional support, building student confidence and fostering a balanced, supportive learning environment.



**Strengthening Communication:** They bridge communication between teachers, parents, and staff, ensuring consistent support and alignment in each student's education.

**Upholding High Standards:** With a focus on professionalism and reflective practice, Specialist Teaching Assistants contribute to maintaining high educational standards and continuous improvement.



# The Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant Standard



## Practical Learning

Applying Theories in Practice

Providing Constructive Feedback

Guidance on Personal and Professional Development



## Assessment Principles

Performance Evaluation

Supportive Learning Journey

Effective Communication and Presentation Skills



## Role Proficiency

Insight into Relevant Industries

Encouraging Proficiency

Learning from Experienced Assessors



## Process Understanding

Embracing a Learning Culture

Embracing Diversity & Equality

Engagement with the Assessment Process

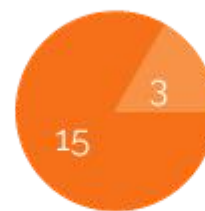
## Qualifications

- Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant Standard

## Progression Route

- Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE)
- Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO)

## 24-Month Programme



- On-Programme
- End-Point Assessment



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Month 1-15

## On-Programme Learning

During the 15 months of on-programme learning, you will develop a portfolio of evidence to showcase your progress. This portfolio will include evidence from 14 key duties.

1. Promoting Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion Values
2. Ensuring Compliance with Frameworks and Legislation
3. Using Specialist Knowledge to Plan and Adapt Learning
4. Conducting Assessments and Maintaining Accurate Records
5. Planning Teaching Using Curriculum and Pedagogy Principles
6. Developing Relationships with Colleagues and Agencies
7. Supporting Parents and Carers in Learning Engagement
8. Implementing and Evaluating Strategies for Quality Outcomes
9. Organising Resources and Materials for the Specialist Option
10. Managing Behaviour for Self-Regulation and Independence
11. Reflective Practice to Enhance Specialist Learning
12. Providing Training Support for Specialist Colleagues
13. Promoting Positive Health and Well-Being Behaviours
14. Sharing Knowledge on Diversity and Inclusion Practices

## Area of Specialism

As part of the programme, learners will have the opportunity to specialise in one of three areas. Below is a brief outline of each area of specialism.

### Social and Emotional Well-being

Social and Emotional Well-being Specialist Teaching Assistants support policies, processes, and procedures to enhance learners' social and emotional well-being, promoting effective learning.

### Curriculum provision

Curriculum Provision Specialist Teaching Assistants support learners by advancing learning in specific curriculum areas. This may involve early reading or maths interventions, focused subject support, or provision for EAL learners.

### Special Educational Needs & Disability

SEND Specialist Teaching Assistants support the implementation of SEND policies, processes, and procedures to advance learning outcomes for learners with SEND.

Months 16-18

## End Point Assessment

Upon successful completion of the on-programme learning, you will undergo a comprehensive final end-point assessment designed to showcase your development throughout the programme. This assessment consists of two components:

### Observation



An Independent Assessor will observe your work for at least 2 hours.

The assessment will include at least 6 questions posed by the assessor

### Professional Discussion

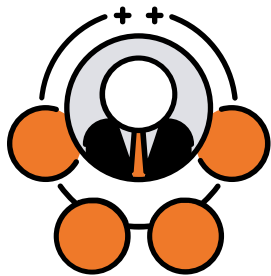


Participate in a 60-minute discussion, addressing at least 10 questions on your occupation.

Submit your portfolio of evidence before the EPA gateway to support your discussion.



# Programme Benefits



## Employer

Enhance classroom support, improve student outcomes, ensure compliance with educational regulations, and invest in staff development and retention by fostering a skilled, motivated workforce.

## Employee

Gain a recognised qualification, enhance career progression, build confidence and competence in classroom management, and provide comprehensive skills to support diverse learner needs effectively.



## Contact us

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