

# Model Person Specification – Support Assistant Level 3

## Part A: Application Stage

The following criteria (experience, skills and qualifications) will be used to short-list at the application stage:

## Essential

1	Experience of supporting pupils in a learning environment		
2	Knowledge of national or foundation stage curriculum		
3	Experience of classroom organisation		
4	Experience of administrative and clerical duties in a school or office		
	environment		
5	NVQ Level 2 or 3 for Teaching Assistants or equivalent qualification or		
	experience		
6	Working towards Level 2 Basic Skills (Literacy and Numeracy) or equivalent		
	competency		

## Desirable

7	Experience of advancing progress of pupils of relevant age within a learning		
	environment		
8	Supervision of staff		
9	First Aid Training		

#### Part B: Assessment Stage

Items 1 and 2 of the application stage criteria and the criteria below will be further explored at the assessment stage:

#### Essential

1	Experience of using ICT to support pupils in the classroom			
2	Able to take an active role in co-ordinating reviews of pupil's progress			
	including liaising with other agencies as appropriate			
3	Able to produce accurate and up to date records and reports.			
4	Able to undertake observations and assessments of pupils including those			
	with special educational needs.			
5	Able to undertake routine invigilation and marking			
6	Able to work within and apply all relevant school policies and schemes of			
	work			
7	Able to contribute effectively to the planning of the teaching programme			
8	Able to lead, organise and motivate a group of Support Assistants Levels 1			
	and 2			
9	Committed to achieving further professional development			
10	Appropriate behaviour and attitude towards safeguarding and promoting the			
	welfare of children and young people including:			
	<ul> <li>motivation to work with children and young people</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal</li> </ul>			
	boundaries with children and young people			
	<ul> <li>emotional resilience in working with challenging behaviours</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>attitude to use of authority and maintaining discipline.</li> </ul>			

	<ul> <li>able to work in partnership with other agencies</li> </ul>	
11	No disclosure about criminal convictions or safeguarding concern that makes	
	applicant unsuitable for this post.	

## Desirable

12 Knowledge of SEN Code of Practice

The following methods of assessment will be used:

Method		Method	
Interview	Yes	Presentation	No
Lesson Observation	No	Structured discussion with pupils	No
Other (specify)	Yes/No	Other (specify)	Yes/No

# Part C: Additional Requirements

The following criteria must be judged as satisfactory when pre-employment checks are completed:

1	Enhanced Certificate of Disclosure from the Criminal Records Bureau
2	Additional criminal record checks if applicant has lived outside the UK
3	List 99 and/or POCA List (residential establishments only) check
4	Medical clearance
5	Two references from current and previous employers (or education
	establishment if applicant not in employment)