

# **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**

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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>					

	able to work in partnership with other agencies
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)