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QUALIFICATION FACTSHEET

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Framework Qualification	Credit	Fundable	GLH	QAN	City & Guilds number
Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 1)	n/a	Yes	120-140	100/3740/8	3692-01 (3692-07)
Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 2)	n/a	Yes	120-140	100/3741/X	3692-02 (3692-07)
Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Entry 3)	n/a	Yes	120-140	100/3742/1	3692-03 (3692-07)
City & Guilds Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 1)	n/a	Yes	60-70	100/4899/6	3692-21
City & Guilds Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 2)	n/a	Yes	60-70	100/4900/9	3692-22
City & Guilds Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening) (Entry 3)	n/a	Yes	60-70	100/4901/0	3692-23
City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening)	n/a	Yes	60-70	100/4902/2	3692-24
City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life (Speaking and Listening)	n/a	Yes	60-70	100/4903/4	3692-25
City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life	n/a	Yes	120-140	100/3743/3	3692-11
City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life	n/a	(if extended)	120-140	100/3744/5	3692-12

Qualification aim	Qualification levels and definition	Progression routes
ESOL Skills for Life is designed for UK-based language learning, and in England and Wales is the only publicly fundable type of ESOL qualification. Focusing on the language used in everyday situations, these qualifications support social and economic inclusion.	ESOL Skills for Life is available at five levels: Entry 1, Entry 2, Entry 3, Level 1 and Level 2. The qualifications are based on the National Standards for Adult Literacy, and aligned to the Adult ESOL Core Curriculum. The full qualifications cover Reading, Writing, and Speaking and Listening, although a standalone Speaking and Listening qualification is also available.	ESOL Skills for Life learners can progress through the five levels, or use it as a springboard into almost any other qualification or career path. Our Employability and Personal Development (7546) qualifications will particularly help learners to develop other aspects of work-readiness besides their language skills.

	Key features	Key benefits
Structure	There are three units: Reading, Writing and Speaking and Listening. The full qualification requires all three, although a standalone Speaking and Listening qualification is also available.	Learners can complete each of the three units at different levels, and do not need to complete all three at the same time. These qualifications support language learning for a range of purposes, including getting into work and (potentially) meeting the language requirement for Settlement or Citizenship.
Assessment	Entry level is assessed by assignment (with a choice of topics). At levels 1 and 2, Writing and Speaking and Listening are assessed by a supervised portfolio, and Reading by the Literacy National Test.	The Entry level assignments are available in two formats: integrated (all three units assessed together) or single-mode. Each can be administered as soon as learners are ready. The portfolios at levels 1 and 2 can be based on any topic(s) relevant to the learner; the Literacy test is available on-demand, both onscreen and on paper.
Support	A range of sample assessment material is available to download. City & Guilds also offers a wide range of tutor and learner resources to support all types of English and mathematics learning.	The sample assignments can help familiarise tutors/assessors with the format of these assessments for standardisation/quality purposes, as well as helping learners prepare for 'live' assessment. Our brand new teaching and learning resources can be rolled out this summer on our new SmartScreen platform. It includes an online community for English tutors.

Reasons to choose City & Guilds	
Widest range and choice of qualifications	We are the largest vocational awarding organisation, and the largest provider of non-GCSE English and Mathematics qualifications. Our ESOL Skills for Life qualifications can support progression into almost any vocational or career path.
Straightforward assessment	All of our ESOL Skills for Life assessments are available to take as soon as learners are ready. Nearly all assessment is managed locally with a wide choice of assessment topics.
Recognised by employers	With over 99% of employers recognising our name, a City & Guilds ESOL qualification has particular resonance with employers and relevance to the world of work.

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