

Steps4Life is our new assessment framework for pupils preparing for adulthood. We recommend this framework for students in KS4 onwards, but can be used with any age student.





Connecting Steps

Connecting Steps is B Squared's Assessment Software that uses our wide range of assessment frameworks. It has been designed to make assessment and tracking progress easier.

"Connecting Steps has enabled all teachers to clearly track, monitor and report on pupil progress at all levels of attainment"

Brandon Mills, Deputy Head Teacher, Brookfields School

Connecting Steps is our robust, proven assessment software package. Trusted in over 3000 schools around the world. Designed to work with pupils of different ages and abilities by using different assessment frameworks. Schools can assess mainstream pupils and their pupils with SEND in one system.

To find out how Connecting Steps can make a difference in your school go to the website below to arrange a free online meeting. We can show you how Connecting Steps works, what frameworks are right for you and the benefits to your school.

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Our Assessment Software

Connecting Steps is our easy to use, cloud based assessment software. It is designed to save teachers time by giving teachers feedback which can then be used in planning, reports and other documents. Below are just a few reasons to use Connecting Steps

"B Squared has been an asset in our school development over the last 2 years"

Lisa Bird, Headteacher, Elmsleigh Infant & Nursery School

Levels of Achievement

Within Connecting Steps are different levels of achievements. Teachers can record more than just achieved or not achieved. Each school can choose how many of these they wish to use and turn off the ones they don't want. This will depend on the type of school, type of pupils and the levels of attainment the pupils are working at.

Encounter

Awareness

Attention & response

Engagement

Participation

Involvement

Gaining skills & understanding

Mastered

Non-linear Progress

Schools need to assess a wider range of development, they need to show progress in a non-linear way and they need more flexibility to suit the development and individual progress for pupils with SEND. Connecting Steps features a number of reports for showing non-linear progress so schools are not left being unable to report the progress pupils with SEND make.

Simple Reporting

Teachers can instantly produce a range of reports designed to be shared with parents or professionals. The information is displayed clearly and simply to help increase parental engagement. The Connecting Steps Analysis Module allows leaders to build graphs for different cohorts in a few clicks. Tailored for each curriculum, the graphs are designed to present information clearly and concisely.

Paper Assessment Products

Our paper assessment files are still available for the following frameworks:

- Early Steps
- Progression Steps (Core, Core Plus and Foundation)
- Primary Steps (Core, Core Plus and Foundation)
- Autism Progress

Sample Pages

The samples over the next few pages are designed to give you an overview of the Steps4Life Academic Skills.



They show the different areas covered by this assessment framework and cover a range of ability levels.





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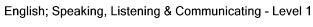
		Engaging with Reading	
	Engages with a range of short, simple	Identifies a range of texts:	Suggests different sources of
	texts that inform, describe and narrate Identifies pictorial social signs, e.g. no	- A list	information
	smoking, no entry, information,	- An email	Uses a search engine with assistance Looks through brochures, asking
Inda	male/female toilets rstands and uses correctly the following		appropriate questions about the content
terms		- A road sign	Identifies and explains a range of
	- Page	- A greetings card	common safety or information signs on/in public and commercial transport
	- Print	- An advert	Reads numerical information from lists
	- Line	- A web page	Engages with a familiar person using a
]]- Title	- A text message	messaging app with support, e.g. via Messenger on the computer, WhatsApp
]	Recognises the purpose of the text, e.g.	on a mobile device
	- Sentence	to inform or advertise Looks at a range of sources for	
	- Word	information, e.g. leaflets to find	
	Understands and uses simple terms related to newsprint, e.g. image,	community places or events of interest	
	caption, headline	Uses a shopping list to find and buy five familiar items in a grocery shop with	
	Reads some words on bank forms, e.g. date/number on a deposit slip	minimal verbal prompts	
	☐ date/number on a deposit slip☐ ☐ Reads their address from a memory	Identifies two ways they can find information about a range of leisure	
	card (or similar) e.g. when giving their	activities/community events	
	location to a taxi driver	Wand Daadin	
	☐ Identifies the beginnings of sentences	Word Reading	Recognises that the letters ay and oy
	within a text	Reads days of the week	usually correspond to /ei/ and /ɔi/ at the
	Identifies the ends of sentences within a text	Reads names of numbers to ten	end of words, e.g. day, runway, boy
	Recognises that not all text are	Reads simple text messages	Reads the contractions:
	constructed of sentences	Uses phonetic cues in attempting to read unknown words	- Mr, Mrs
	Tracks text as they read it	Uses a range of strategies to get	- n't, e.g. didn't
	Recognises simple sentence structures	meaning	- 'll, e.g. I'll
	Turns page at correct place in reading	Demonstrates accurate, consistent use of letter sounds	- 're, e.g. we're
	Pauses at the full stop when reading	Reads correctly words designated for	- 's, e.g. it's
	aloud Understands that capital letters are	Entry Level 1 (see Appendix) Reads words ending -ed when the root	Reads all common words with one or
	used for some words other than those	remains unchanged, e.g. wanted,	two syllables where the most probable correspondences between sounds and
	at the beginning of the sentence	opened, jumped Reads one or two syllable words with ay	letters are the corrects ones, e.g. it, nut,
	Reads alphabet in lower case letters	and oy, e.g. toy, play	and, stop, thing, himself
	Reads alphabet in upper case letters	Reads common two syllable words ending with 'y' and sounding /i:/, e.g.	
	Orders letters of the alphabet	twenty	
	Reads simple sentences containing one clause		
		Comprehension	
	Talks about likely content using the title	Follows a short, simple, descriptive text	Makes simple factual statements about
	as the cue	Follows a short, simple, descriptive text,	basic information they have read or had read to them
	Matches appropriate captions to images	e.g. instructions on using the	Makes simple deductions with help and
	Recognises that a picture relates to the text	photocopier Follows signs to get to the correct	prompts
	Understands a short news narrative on	familiar train platform with prompts	Locates specific information about community events within a text, e.g.
	a simple subject Describes an event/action of a person in	Responds to 8 social signs	reads a Facebook post about an event
	a news story	Expects the text to make sense	to find out the date, time, cost, etc.
	Recalls key facts from a narrative, e.g. when, where, who	Understands a short piece of text on a	Explores the results of their web search Uses a check list to remember items
	Talks about what they have read	simple subject Distinguishes between fiction and non-	needed, e.g. uses a pictorial list to
	Follows a short narrative on a familiar	fiction texts	remember items to take to a leisure activity/work
	topic or experience		

English; Writing - Step 6



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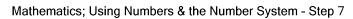
	Engaging with Writing	
Concentrates without support for up to ten minutes	Copies their name for a purpose, e.g. on a greeting card	Makes marks in response to a range of contexts, e.g. on a computer/paper in
Creates a symbol/word/picture list of shopping items needed with support	Identifies which signs/symbols/images represent different activities on their timetable	response to a visit, narrative Reads own writing
Scribbles spontaneously when given pen and paper Dictates text for a purpose, e.g. a	Matches their name/symbol	Creates a book based on a theme with support, e.g. a regular journey,
postcard Puts a mark on a calendar to show	Matches the photo of people they know to symbols/signs of their name Matches a symbol to its photo/picture	shopping experiences Demonstrates a brief interest in their own writing, e.g. looks at their writing
where they should be with prompts, e.g. a cross means at home	representation Picks a symbol which represents a task	with staff Points to text on the screen
Make a 'list' of what they want to do tomorrow	they wish to do	1 onlds to text off the screen
	Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar	
Identifies or writes 5+ graphemes on hearing corresponding phonemes	Blends phonemes to say a whole word orally after sounding out each phoneme	Copies letters or words from their environment
Identifies or writes 10+ graphemes on hearing corresponding phonemes	Inputs numbers to five on computer with support	Copies underneath from left to right
(PKSS) Groups letters/symbols together	Inputs text - random letters	Writes own symbols
	Holds pencil correctly and with sufficient grip, most of the time	Writes in lines
Orders symbols from left to right	Uses different aids to make marks for	Writes letters of inconsistent size
Discriminates between initial sounds Identifies the initial letter of their name	different purposes, e.g. computer, white board	Includes a variety of letters within lines of scribble
Writes the first letter of their name with support	Traces letter shapes Traces numbers one to five	Includes a variety of shapes within lines of scribble Leaves a space between groups of
Writes the first letter of their name independently	Traces a symbol	letters/symbols Chooses signs/symbols for specific
Writes several letters of their name when mark-making	Overwrites shapes	meaning
Says the sound of some letters in own name	Overwrites their name	Chooses symbols/pictures which relate to an object or action Makes short statements or phrases in
Says the sound of some letters of the alphabet	Copies simple shapes	the future tense Makes short statements or phrases in
Blends words which begin with the same initial phoneme	Draws a roughly straight line	the past tense
<u> </u>	Writing Composition	
Attempts to write words other than their name	Suggests a phrase to include in their work	Sequences a familiar journey in three parts, e.g. home - walk - work
Makes marks, including some letters, with the intention of conveying meaning	Says a clause to complete a sentence that is said aloud, e.g. 'When we went	Sequences two symbols, e.g. get up then wash/breakfast then clean teeth
Expresses the conjunction 'and' when adding information during a discussion	to the beach today, we ate ice cream / I played in the sand / it was hot' (PKSS)	Dictates a narrative for their story
Expresses the conjunction 'and' when linking ideas during a discussion	Sequences two pictures of daily events, e.g. first: eat breakfast; then: go to	Adds simple details to another person's retelling of a story
mining lacas during a discussion	school	Separates pictures and writing





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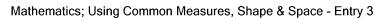
	Speaking & Communicating	
Makes requests and asks relevant questions to obtain specific information in different contexts Asks questions in order to clarify and extend understanding in a range of contexts and within different group sizes of familiar and unfamiliar people Asks for advice clearly in a range of contexts from a relevant person Communicates successfully in a range of styles and contexts, e.g. conciliatory, negotiating, persuasive Sequences their ideas logically when explaining, describing, speculating and exploring ideas Communicates information, ideas and opinions clearly and accurately on a range of topics	Justifies and defends their point of view clearly Gives their viewpoint in an appropriate manner Expresses opinions and arguments and supports them with evidence Speaks confidently and fluently in a range of situations, using an increasing command of formal and Standard English as appropriate Makes appropriate and relevant comments and suggestions, e.g. relevant to topic, not offensive Chooses vocabulary according to context and purpose and which is appropriate for their audience	Uses appropriate gestures and facial expressions, generally maintaining eye contact when talking to familiar and unfamiliar people Uses appropriate phrases, registers and adapts contributions to take account of audience, purpose and medium Engages their listeners, monitoring interest using a range of skills, e.g. maintaining eye contact Picks up simple clues to know when someone does not understand them Leaves a voicemail to a familiar person which includes the relevant information Explains clearly and logically, e.g. directions somewhere, how to use a piece of equipment
	Listening & Responding	
Makes notes when listening Identifies main points raised Gives a brief outline of one of the main points raised	Identifies relevant information and lines of argument in explanations or presentations Responds effectively to detailed questions	Answers more detailed questions with relevant facts/information Asks for clarification on a point they do not understand
	Engaging in Communication	
Initiates a discussion with their own questions/views Participates fully in discussions and conversations Maintains attention and interaction within longer discussions, conversations or debates, responding appropriately to the ideas and views of others Engages with others on an appropriate level, e.g. informal with friends, more formal with an instructor	Deals politely with those who have an opposing point of view Evaluates what has been said, building on the answers or viewpoints of others and developing ideas further Respects the turn-taking rights of others during discussions, using appropriate language for interjection	Follows and understands discussions and makes contributions relevant to the situation and the subject Listens and responds to requests, feedback or suggestions from others Listens carefully to a sustained discussion Makes an appointment using the phone, with verbal support Makes an appointment face to face





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	Whole Numbers	
Compares two quantities to ten using	Estimates objects with a degree of	Writes numbers to ten
the term 'fewer' Compares two quantities to ten using the term 'larger'	Explains the meaning of the term "add" using simple language	Inputs numbers to five on computer correctly
Compares two quantities to ten using	Explains the meaning of the term	Enters numbers 0 - 10 into a calculator
the term 'more' Compares two quantities to ten using	"altogether" using simple language Explains the meaning of the term	Keys numbers into a phone
the term 'smaller'	"make" using simple language	Identifies numerals up to five
Using concrete materials, finds the number before and after, one more and	Explains the meaning of the term "more" using simple language	Identifies some numerals up to ten
one less Finds the number before and after and	Explains the meaning of the term "take away" using simple language	Matches numerals to ten
one more and one less from a given	Counts up to eight objects correctly	Matches numerals to read bus numbers
number to ten Removes one object and counts how	Counts up to ten objects with some	Copies a phone number
many now (up to five)	prompting Counts objects to ten independently in	Reads out their phone number
Removes one object from a group and counts how many now (up to ten)	different arrangements	Writes down phone numbers
Adds an object to a group and counts how many now (up to five)	Counts up to ten saying the number names in the correct order, matching	'Shops' with items valued up to 5p using
Adds an object to a group and counts	the correct number name to each object in the count and appreciating that the	1p coins 'Shops' with items valued up to 10p
how many now (up to ten) Demonstrates understanding when	last number counted represents the	using 1p coins
answering, "How many are gone?"	total size of the group Recognises they have made an error in	Describes the position of objects, people or events using ordinal numbers,
Demonstrates understanding when answering, "How many are left?"	counting patterns to ten	e.g. first, second, third, etc.
Understands the idea of not many	Sorts numerals from other shapes	Copies and continues more advanced patterns using real-life materials, e.g.
Understands the idea of a lot	Writes numbers to five	apple, apple, orange, apple, apple, orange, etc. (PKSS)
	Fractions, Decimals, Percentages	
Talks about half in conversations	Shares objects between two plates	Counts two halves of a group of objects
Shares objects into groups	Shares concrete objects so that	to check they contain the same amount
	everyone has eight (in a group of people)	
So	lving Mathematical Problems & Decision Mak	ing
Uses given mathematical information and recognises and uses simple	Follows the methods shown to produce results	Applies own method of recording results of mathematical operations
mathematical terms appropriate to Step	Provides a simple explanation for their	of mathematical operations
,	results with guided questioning	





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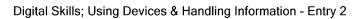
	Common Measures	
Reads price labels expressed as	Reads, measures and records time	Reads weights on food packaging and
decimals Understands that the decimal point	using am and pm Reads the time from analogue clocks in	selects appropriate weight pack Compares measures of weight including
separate £ and pence	hours and minutes	grams and kilograms
Expresses money correctly in writing in pounds and pence	Reads time from 24 hour digital clocks in hours and minutes	Knows 1 litre = 1000 millilitres
Adds amounts of money to give change,	Tells and writes the time to five minutes,	Recognises the abbreviations for metric
using both £ and p in practical contexts	including quarter past/to the hour	units of capacity: I, ml Reads measurements in litres and ml
Subtracts amounts of money to give change, using both £ and p in practical	Matches digital to analogue clocks	on different containers
contexts	Uses Roman numerals from I to XII	Compares measures of capacity
Enters sums of money onto a calculator	Uses a calendar to check dates, e.g. of	including millilitres and litres Recognises the abbreviations for metric
or calculator app Calculates with money using decimal	first Saturday in a month, number of weekends before Christmas	units of temperature ^o C
notation and expresses money correctly	Recognises the abbreviations for metric	Compares temperature, e.g. outside and inside
in writing in pounds and pence Rounds up sums of money to the	units of length: m, cm	Measures their own temperature using
nearest 10p	Recognises that kilometres and miles are units of length for measuring longer	a thermometer correctly
Rounds up sums of money to the	distances	Uses a suitable instrument to measure mass and length
nearest £1 Solves simple money problems	Recognises the mile as a unit in the UK	Uses and compares measures of
involving fractions and decimals to two	but that other countries use kilometres to measure distances	length, capacity, weight and
decimal places	Extracts mileage information from	temperature using metric or imperial units to the nearest labelled or
Writes the date correctly	distance charts	unlabelled division
Enters appointments in a diary or	Compares metric measures of length including millimetres, centimetres,	Selects the correct unit of measure on a
electronic calendar Identifies if they are late, early or on	metres and kilometres	set of electronic scales Matches different units of measurement
time	Knows that there are 1000g in 1kg	to their uses
Sets an alarm clock, e.g. on a mobile	Recognises the abbreviations for metric	Uses a range of scales; analogue,
phone	units of mass: kg, g	digital and balance Reads scales to the nearest unlabelled
		division
	Shape & Space	
Identifies and describes the properties	Sorts 2D and 3D shapes using	Expresses a turn in relation to a right
of 2D shapes, including the number of	properties including lines of symmetry,	angle
sides, and line symmetry in a vertical line	length, right angles, angles including in rectangles and triangles	Uses appropriate positional vocabulary to describe position and direction
Identifies and describes the properties	Describes the relative location of a	including full/half/quarter turns
of 3D shapes, including the number of edges, vertices and faces	place using understanding of the four points of a compass	
Identifies horizontal and vertical lines	Uses appropriate positional vocabulary	
identifies florizontal and vertical lines	to describe position and direction	
	including eight compass points	
	ving Mathematical Problems & Decision Mak	<u> </u>
Uses given mathematical information including numbers, symbols, simple	Uses methods given at Entry Level 3 to produce, check and present results that	Presents results with appropriate and reasoned explanation using numbers,
diagrams and charts appropriate to	make sense to an appropriate level of	measures, simple diagrams, charts and
Entry Level 3	accuracy	symbols appropriate to Entry Level 3
Recognises, understands and uses simple mathematical terms appropriate		
to Entry Level 3		



ı	Mathematics; Handling Information & Data - Level 2
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	Handling Information & Data	
Explains how to find the mean, median	Identifies when they need to use mean,	Labels a scale with the probability in
☐ and mode	median or mode	fractions, decimals and percentages
Calculates the mean, median and mode of a set of quantities	Identifies if the outcome of one event will affect the outcome of the second	Identifies reasons why an event is impossible
Estimates a total amount from a given	event	Expresses probabilities as fractions,
	Considers how the sample size for a survey affects the accuracy	decimals and percentages
frequency distribution from discrete data	Records the outcome of combined	Plots a scatter graph
Compares data to analyse information,	events, e.g. using a table to show the	Recognises correlation
 e.g. uses average review scores on a website to help decide which product is 	possible results of two coins being tossed	Draws and interprets scatter diagrams
better [Works out the probability of combined	and recognises positive and negative correlation
Uses the mean, median, mode and	events including the use of diagrams and tables, including two-way tables	
☐ range to compare two sets of data		
	ing Mathematical Problems & Decision Maki	<u> </u>
Reads, understands and uses mathematical information and	Uses knowledge and understanding to a required level of accuracy within Level	Checks the sense and reasonableness of answers within Level 2
mathematical terms used at Level 2	2	Presents and explains results clearly
 Addresses individual problems based	Identifies suitable operations and	and accurately demonstrating reasonin
☐ on their knowledge and/or skills which draws upon a combination of and ☐	calculations to generate results Analyses and interprets answers in the	to support the process and shows consistency with the evidence
makes connections between all three of	context of the original problem within	presented
the mathematical content areas	Level 2	





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	Using Devices & Handling Information	
Labels a range of familiar equipment as hardware or software correctly Names a range of familiar software and its main purpose, e.g. Gmail-sending electronic messages, Excel - store and organising data Starts up and shuts down familiar devices correctly so that data is protected from loss or damage Recognises the abbreviation OS refers to the operating system Locates the system settings on a familiar device, e.g. using the icon/searching Responds to questions about features they can change in settings, e.g. why would you want to change the size of the text? Identifies if they need to change settings, e.g. if the text is too small to read Makes basic changes via the system settings, e.g. changes the background/colours/font size from options available on screen Locates familiar accessibility tools on a familiar device as appropriate Identifies what 'desktop' means, e.g. knows where to find a file if they save it to desktop Finds a range of applications on a device, e.g. using the search bar, clicking on the icons on the task bar/desktop Identifies if an application is free, paid for or has in-app purchases Identifies a simple action which needs to be taken when a dialogue box states there is an update for an application	Using Devices & Handling Information Suggests what a developer may have updated within an application, e.g. changed how the app looks, fixed a problem (bug) Identifies apps they wish to download on a mobile device for entertainment purposes Accesses a range of apps on a mobile device for entertainment purposes Recognises that devices have a limited amount of storage space Connects to the internet (including Wi-Fi) Finding & Evaluating Information Identifies and uses a familiar search engine Identifies a hyperlink, e.g. by colour/underlined features Recognises that clicking on a hyperlink will take them to a different place/page Recognises that clicking on a webpage's menu may result in a dropdown box of options Identifies the key words they will use in a search Finds specified information from ICT-based sources by using simple search facilities Finds relevant pages from their web search Loads a chosen webpage from a link in the search results Moves from one page to another easily on a website Gives examples of different types of content on websites, e.g. text, video, images Gives examples of different sources of information online	Managing & Storing Information Creates and saves a new file (with an appropriate name) on a familiar piece of software Opens and alters documents, then saves the changes Creates and saves a new folder (with an appropriate name) on a familiar piece of software Opens the folder view to find files/folders Recognises two common file name extensions, e.g. txt, .html Locates files stored on a computer's hard drive Identifies familiar removable storage, e.g. USB drives, XD memory card Identifies, locates and uses the icons to: - close a window - minimise a window - restore down - access help Identifying & Solving Technical Problems Identifies simple, common technical problems, e.g. printer out of paper, speakers not connected Explains what is meant by the term 'reboot' Suggests what to do if an application freezes Communicates about noticeable changes in familiar applications, e.g. recognises if an application is running much more slowly than usual



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	Creating & Editing	
Creating & Editing Documents	Locates 'Backspace' and 'Delete' on a	Creating & Editing Digital Media
Recognises simple computer terminology, e.g. print/save Chooses the best application (from a limited choice) for their task Uses familiar accessibility tools as appropriate with verbal prompts, e.g. changes text size in a Word document following step by step instructions Asks for saved text or pictures to be retrieved Selects applications using logos Looks for specific objects on a screen Finds named letters on a QWERTY keyboard Inputs numbers to five on computer correctly Uses the space bar to put breaks between words inconsistently Presses keys and the space bar on a keyboard to produce text	keyboard Uses the backspace and/or delete to edit typing (not economically) Creates work that includes pictures and text Expects that the print out is the same as the text on the screen Uses a single click of the mouse to select an object Identifies and uses the arrow keys on a keyboard to move around a page (not necessarily economically) Moves the cursor around the screen using a mouse	Moves an object across the screen Presses an access/control device to look at a specific photograph using a smart device, e.g. swipes left/right to move the icons then press on preferred option Presses an access/control device to look at a specific video using a smart device, e.g. swipes left/right to move the icons then press on preferred option Presses an access/control device to listen to a specific sound recording using a smart device, e.g. swipes left/right to move the icons then press on preferred option Uses a graphics program, e.g. to create a picture

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	Communicating	
Communicating and Sharing Identifies ways in which they communicate information Suggests different ways to communicate digitally with others Conveys ideas using phrases or short sentences Conveys information using phrases or short sentences Recognises one advantage of sending an email instead of a letter Reads out their email address Locates their inbox Opens an email, stating who it is from and a basic understanding of their message	Deletes an email they no longer want Engages with a familiar person using a messaging app with support, e.g. via Messenger on the computer, WhatsApp on a mobile device Uses appropriate emojis when communicating with a familiar person via a messaging app Finds a telephone number on a contact list Dials the correct number for a specific person from a list Engages in a complete conversation with a familiar person using a phone Receives a phone call, answering and completing the call appropriately	Engages with a familiar person using a video call application with support, e.g. via Skype on the computer, Facetime on a mobile device Identifies who is in a group chat and can see their responses when using a familiar app, e.g. when using WhatsApp Managing Traceable Online Activities Uses the forward and back buttons to move between web pages Gives an example of personal information Names two social media platforms Identifies a profile of someone they know on a social media platform, e.g. recognises their photo/name

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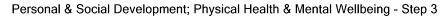
	Transacting	
Using Online Services Completes a simple online form used to enter information, e.g. name and contact information to request a service/make an appointment Identifies that they should only press 'Submit' when they have completed and checked their information Completes and submits a form as part of an online transaction, complying with verification checks Demonstrates an understanding of the terminology and concepts relating to online forms and data validation and verification checks Checks (when alerted to the fact) that data is not within range, e.g. age has to be between 20-29	Checks (when alerted to the fact) that data is not in the right format/length, e.g. a letter instead of a number Enters sums of money onto a calculator or calculator app Buying Securely Online Identifies that there are a range of companies that supply the same goods, e.g. electricity Pays for items using a 'contactless' method Pays for items using mobile payment methods, e.g. Android Pay Types credit/debit card details into the correct fields when paying online, e.g. knows which digits CVC relates to	Buys an item/service online using a chosen method of online payment Recognises the effects of clicking on purchases in games or apps Recognises the dangers of making multiple small transactions online, e.g. 500 lots of £1 within a game adds up to a large amount Checks the URL of a website before using its online payment services, e.g. looks for HTTPS in the address bar Recognises that scammers can replicate websites/emails in order to defraud Identifies three common trust seals found on websites and explains what they mean to a customer, e.g. McAfee Secure, Paypal Verified



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	Being Safe & Responsible Online	
Protecting Privacy Gives an example of personal information Recognises what could be given as their personal information, e.g. their date of birth Identifies two pieces of information that a device/previous online activity has stored about them, e.g. username and profile photo Protecting Data Identifies what a password is Explains when and why they would use a password Explains why their password is only for them Identifies two different methods of securing a device, e.g. thumbprint, password Identifies that a computer virus can affect their device and data	Being Responsible Online Identifies social media apps/groups which relate to community events/news Names two social media platforms Identifies a profile of someone they know on a social media platform, e.g. recognises their photo/name Recognises what makes a person a 'stranger' Describes simple rules when dealing with strangers States that they should ask a member of staff before accepting a friend request online Explains how choosing a wrong action can have negative consequences	Digital Wellbeing Identifies a reason why they should limit time spent using digital devices (or factoring in a break) Recognises if they are comfortable in their sitting position Moves devices automatically when initially seating themselves to find a comfortable position, e.g. moves the mouse/keyboard nearer so they do not have to lean so far Identifies how they are feeling physically and mentally when they switch off their device Accepts some limitations when using digital equipment, e.g. time, prohibited websites





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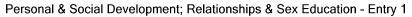
Ceases crying when they receive attention from a member of staff Stills to a calm, reassuring voice Initiates different pitch, using own voice to express different emotions Changes their facial expression when heaving emotion in voices, e.g. when a people upset them Changes their facial expression when experiencing physical boat to state the complete state of the produce by touch and manipulation for up to 10 seconds Chauses to comforting voice Demonstrates contentment when with or near other people Uses words a sember of staff when they are upset or happy Listens to comforting voice Demonstrates contentment when with or onest other people Uses words sounds to express different emotions Demonstrates operand happiness Demonstrates experiences when presented with familiar experiences be periodically supposed them people was the feeling foods with their late and a firm surface or a firm surf



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	Critical Thinking & Debate	
Asks for more information to aid their understanding Challenges an idea simply Discusses the information heard from an audio recording, e.g. a radio news report Expresses an opinion with appropriate language Gives a simple reason why something happened	Gives a simple explanation why something will happen Gives their opinion about a news topic or current event locally or in the wider world Makes choices between non-tangibles, e.g. shall we go to the park or shops Recognises a familiar news website Recognises and responds to situations in a news narrative e.g. danger, surprise/smiles at good news Democratic Citizens & the UK Political Syster	Sequences a report of an event Relates a news narrative to their own experience Relates an experience to an event or news narrative Contributes in group discussion Contributes in one-to-one discussion
Approaches a group they would like to join	Identifies a group to which they belong	Names a few people in a particular group or place they visit, e.g. cooking group, work placement
	Role of Law & Justice System	group, work placement
Accepts boundaries over more prolonged periods of time Accepts that they cannot just take what they want	Declares that something is not fair Demonstrates awareness that some things can be hurt or damaged	Identifies behaviour that could be considered as right and wrong Identifies the rules they have to follow
	Managing Money & Planning for the Future	
Explains the purpose of money Identifies a simple reason why they have chosen to buy one item over another Identifies where they may find the price of an item, e.g. on a label/shelf Names a variety of shops they visit Suggests where they could go to buy different items Suggests ideas about how they would like to spend their money or vouchers	Pays for an activity in coins/notes that are given to them Pays for an item using cash that is given to them/sorted out to hand over, e.g. offers the shop assistant a £10 note from their wallet that a member of staff has pointed out to them Recognises £5.00 and £10.00 notes Recognises 10p, 20p, 50p and £1 coins Recognises 1p, 2p, and 5p coins	Recognises that items must be paid for before leaving the shop Recognises a building as a bank, e.g. identifies it as a bank when they walk inside Recognises the logo/name of their bank, e.g. on a bank statement, outside of the bank 'Shops' with items valued up to 5p using 1p coins 'Shops' with items valued up to 10p using 1p coins
	Volunteering & Responsible Activity	
Accepts they may have to wait to use specific equipment Engages with photos and news stories which relate to the local community and the wider world	Takes turns Identifies ways of helping people Informs a member of staff about an incident	Listens to others talking without interruption in a structured adult led activity, for short periods of time Works with others to get out or put away equipment





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Families						
Recognises the concept of family Identifies how their family members care for each other Describes their family circumstances, recognising that families can be different Identifies different aspects they like about their family, and aspects they would like to change	Describes how important people in their life should care for each other Describes what they do to make the special people in their lives feel different emotions Names the important people in their life Identifies with whom their lives are linked Identifies what is involved in belonging, e.g. to a family or activity group	Identifies two ways a new baby will impact on the parents Knows a baby needs constant care from an adult to survive Sequences a series of five pictures showing human life cycle Organises events in their own life in sequence				
Accepts they cannot always do what	Demonstrates understanding that not	Makes a friend, talks and shares feeling				
they want Agrees on a shared activity with a peer	everyone wants to do what they want Shows sympathy	with them Realises what they do affects others				
	Describes how they might help	Recognises that everybody has similar				
Takes turns in a range of situations Apologises appropriately, most of the time Communicates 'please' and 'thank you'	someone Describes how their behaviour can affect others which can impact	feelings Identifies ways in which they can tell if people are happy or sad				
using words, signs or symbols independently most of the time Follows simple social conventions, e.g.	themselves Engages with five or six peers spontaneously Explains what it means to keep a	Shows some awareness that others' ideas, though different, are not wrong Suggests reasons why they are a good friend and why someone else is				
covers mouth when they cough Demonstrates a growing respect for their own culture and beliefs and those	promise Identifies what a friendship is	Suggests two ways to resolve an issue with a friend				
of other people Demonstrates a knowledge of themselves, their likes and dislikes and identity	Identifies how they could mend a relationship Recognises the activities or people that make them feel happy					
Demonstrates sensitivity towards others						
	Online & Media					
Describes a real and simulated experience on the internet, e.g. playing a game Engages with a familiar person using a messaging app with support, e.g. via Messenger on the computer, WhatsApp on a mobile device Gives an example of personal information	Explains how it is possible to send personal information to others Identifies ownership, e.g. of familiar items Gives examples to show how the internet is used for playing and learning	States that it is not safe to communicate with people they do not know				
	Being Safe					
Suggests how they can help to keep themselves physically and emotionally safe in different situations Recognises the difference between a good and bad risk Recognises the difference between public and private, e.g. space such as bedroom is private Draws conclusions between what is a good and bad secret	Lists different types of touching, e.g. shaking a hand, tickling, pat on the back Gives examples of physical contact that makes them feel comfortable Recognises they have the right to say 'No' when facing unwanted physical contact or situations they find uncomfortable Suggests ways to respond to unwanted physical contact	Describes simple rules when dealing with strangers Identifies examples of taking risks Names people who they can ask for help in a variety of circumstances				
Intimate & Sexual Relationships, Including Sexual Health						
Names and labels the main external parts of the body Identifies the external physical differences between members of the male and female sex	Identifies some physical differences between themselves and peers Identifies some physical similarities between themselves and peers	Lists ways people show affection				

Sample Pages

The samples over the next few pages are designed to give you an overview of Steps4Life Life Skills.



They show the different areas covered by this assessment framework and cover a range of ability levels.







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Uses a preferred hand when exploring objects Employs a kitchen utensil with minimal control Holds a tool for food preparation	Presses hard objects into soft material Remembers the purpose of a tool over a short period of time
Employs a kitchen utensil with minimal control	Remembers the purpose of a tool over
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	Repeats an action for a specific purpose
Holds an object with one hand	Demonstrates growing eye and hand function, e.g. focuses on, reaches for
Holds object with palmar grip	and grasps objects Demonstrates growing hand-to-hand co
Interacts with a common object briefly when its name is spoken or signed	ordination, e.g. clapping, passing a cup
Passes an object with their hands when	Using a Grater
— I they have been prompted by a member of staff	Observes and responds to staff using
Releases an object voluntarily when offered a new object	grater, e.g. by demonstrating interest in what the grated substance looks like
Manipulates small objects in hands	Using a Knife
Manipulates materials in increasingly	Demonstrates understanding that knives are used to cut, e.g. watches and
objects, e.g. turns penny-sized dials,	imitates staff cutting food Picks up and holds a knife by the
pushes penny-sized buttons Presses and releases an access/control	handle with support to hold the correct
device using whole hand	Mixing
device with support	Stirs food in a bowl with hand on hand
Presses a switch without release with a verbal prompt	support Holds a spoon purposefully
	Holds object with palmar grip Interacts with a common object briefly when its name is spoken or signed Passes an object with their hands when they have been prompted by a member of staff Releases an object voluntarily when offered a new object Manipulates small objects in hands Manipulates materials in increasingly complex ways when given intricate objects, e.g. turns penny-sized dials, pushes penny-sized buttons Presses and releases an access/control device using whole hand Presses and releases an access/control device with support Presses a switch without release with a





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	F	Preparing Meals, Snacks & Drinks		
Names "meal time" as the correct term		Lists different meats/fish they eat		Uses the correct vocabulary when
for the time of day Classifies some common foods as		Carries plates containing food to table		comparing mass, e.g. heavier/lighter than
savoury or sweet		with care (after prompting) Recognises that you can eat toast or		Indicates that different containers can hold different amounts
Identifies which size pan is best to use when cooking with guiding questioning		bread with or without butter/margarine	Makin	g a Sandwich
Squeezes from a tube into pan/bowl		Puts rubbish in the correct recycling bin, e.g. glass, cardboard	- Ividitiii	Lists items needed to make a sandwich
Pours milk on cereal but needs a	Follov	ving a Recipe		with prompts
prompt to stop Compares two foods, e.g. colours or		Explains simply what a recipe is		Makes a sandwich when all ingredients are place in front of them, with prompts
flavour of fruits, vegetables, pastas, etc.		Follows verbal and pictorial instructions		at each stage
Describes different ways they have experienced a food being cooked, e.g.		with staff support Chooses a recipe for an occasion with		Asks for specific ingredients to add, e.g. type of fruit or veg or filling for sandwich
boiled/fried/baked		guided questioning		Identifies where butter and margarine are stored
Chooses items to eat or drink from a list, e.g. white coffee, tea with sugar		Recognises simple phrases in recipes		Selects the appropriate knife to spread
Peels food using their hands mostly		Describes which food should be used in		foods on bread Spreads the butter/jam or other food
independently, e.g. oranges, boiled eggs	Mixino	turn using ordinal numbers		substances on bread with some support
Chooses own cereal to put out ready to		Describes the actions they see taking		Selects the appropriate knife to cut a piece of bread
eat Describes foods simply in terms of		place when staff mix ingredients Mixes ingredients manually with a		Cuts a sandwich with a knife (not
texture, colour and taste		verbal prompt and some mess		necessarily neatly)
Estimates how much to put on the plate when preparing snacks for a small		Rubs two ingredients together in imitation of staff	Makin	g <u>Drinks</u> Identifies and distinguishes the cold tap
 group, e.g. biscuits	Meas			from the hot tap
Flattens or rolls dough or pastry roughly using a rolling pin to change the shape		Identifies the use of weighing scales		Pours from a jug into a cup with minimal spillage
of dough		Names and identifies weighing scales		Collects a drink of water from tap with
Asks for specific ingredient to add, e.g. type of vegetable or filling for sandwich		using words or picture cards Recognises where the numbers are		little spillage Holds with one hand and pours with the
Cracks an egg with support		displayed on a set of electronic		other
Describes what to expect inside a raw		weighing scales Identifies why weighing scales are		Identifies the correct cup for the right purpose, e.g. mug for hot drinks
egg		needed when preparing a recipe		Makes soft drink but needs a reminder
Peels food with support, e.g. fruit		Compares and describes quantities to ten		of water to cordial ratio Matches the amount of tea bags
Identifies raw meat		Compares items using the comparative		needed for each mug
Recognises common fruit, e.g. by naming them		terms "hot and cold" correctly Compares items using the comparative		Adds a spoonful of coffee or sugar to a cup on request
Recognises common vegetables, e.g.		terms "more and less" correctly		cup on request
by naming them				



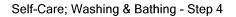
Preparing Food; Hygiene	, Health & Safety - Entry 2
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Demo	Started:	Completed:
	Hygiene, Health & Safety	
Washes their hands effectively Lists simple routines to help stop the spread of germs Suggests why they need to wash fruit and vegetables before eating Identifies that most food come with a best before date or a use by date Identifies that some kitchen equipment should not be used without supervision or permission Demonstrates an awareness of safety around the kitchen, e.g. avoids hob unless directed by staff Identifies that hot liquids or sauces should be poured away from the body Seeks staff help if unsure a foodstuff does not contain ingredients which will affect an allergy/intolerance	Cleaning Acknowledges food or liquid has been spilt, bringing it to the attention of staff Wipes surfaces after food preparation with verbal prompts to complete the task successfully Fills a sink/bowl with water and the correct amount of washing up liquid Washes up and stacks dishes to dry when prompted to begin the task Suggests which surfaces need cleaning Cleans a microwave after spillages when attention is drawn to it, with physical support Identifies which cleaning equipment is used for each area of the kitchen using the correct equipment Food Storage Opens and closes jars with minimal physical prompts Opens and closes liquid containers independently, with prompts if there is an unusual issue, e.g. tab gets stuck Recognises how some ingredients are packaged, e.g. flour in bags	Opens pull-tab tins with minimal safety cautions/reminders Opens most familiar snack packets independently, e.g. crisps Puts away bought groceries in the correct place when there is a clear space for them with minimal support Makes space or rearranges items to fit leftovers in the correct locations with minimal prompts Identifies that they have to move items to find ones hidden in fridge/cupboard Puts items away taking care not to squash them with verbal prompts Places left-over food in an appropriatel sized container, in the correct location with verbal support Adds items that need purchasing to a list when requested by staff Locates the use by date or best before date States how long it will be before a use by date Reads a fridge thermometer (to one decimal place)



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	Mealtime Conventions	
Chews even tough food with mouth closed	Opens safety seal under cap independently	Sets up a table properly, laying the setting out for a starter, main and a
	independently Cleaning Washes their hands effectively, without being prompted Collects the correct cloth to wipe the table Wipes table after a meal successfully Cleans up solid and liquid food spills, choosing the correct equipment, mostly successfully Ensures additional sauces/condiments are returned to their correct place after a meal Gets rid of unfinished portions of food from plates, scraping carefully and systematically Social Awareness	setting out for a starter, main and a dessert Demonstrates the correct mealtime etiquette consistently, speaking at a correct volume and conversing appropriately Sets additional sauces/condiments on table Eating Out Asks for a table for a specific number of people appropriately Chooses an appropriate restaurant to eat in for the occasion or limitations, e.g. time or money limitations Converses with waiting staff appropriately throughout a restaurant visit Organises the correct amount of money
uesigns	Sits at the table for the entirety of the meal, without causing disruption or getting out of seat	to cover the bill in cash
	Nutritional Awareness	
Takes a sensible portion of food with a minimal prompt Organises a plate to show appropriate portion sizes for each food group Communicates about the importance of a balanced lifestyle including resting Recognises what constitutes a healthy, balanced diet Details the importance of elements of a healthy diet, such as fibre or water on the digestive system Explains in basic terms what the nutritional value informs us of, e.g. fat, sugar, calories, etc.	Makes their own judgements on healthy drink options, e.g. checking sugar content Recognises that the term 'processed food' relates to anything done to raw food before it is eaten Relates information about processed food to its unprocessed counterpart, e.g. tinned carrots containing more salt than fresh carrots Demonstrates knowledge of some of the nutritional values of fruit and vegetables	Plans three different meals, checking they have a balanced plate Recognises that people can follow different diets for medical, religious and ethical reasons Checks ingredients on each piece of packaging to ensure they will not affect allergies or intolerances Describes clearly any allergies or intolerances they have and the effects of them Works out the calorific content of a meal Identifies how they can change a meal to make it more nutritional Identifies why they should vary their meals and not eat the same foods every day





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	Washing & Bathing	
Puts hands in water to wash on request	Identifies common bathroom objects by	Participates more actively in the daily
Demonstrates awareness if hands are	pointing/looking at them when they have been named	washing process
wet	Indicates a preference when provided	Imitates a variety of bathing actions during interactive play
Runs hand through water	with the option of a bath or shower	Plays with objects in the bath happily
Watches water fill a bowl	Interacts with a familiar bathroom object	Accepts hair being washed with
Accepts help when washing	briefly when its name is spoken or signed	constant encouragement
	Reacts consistently to a bathing	Makes requests for desired bathing
Assists in drying hands	experience, e.g. looks for their sponge	objects with gestures or vocalisations, e.g. bubble bath
Presses and releases soap from a	as soon as they get in the water Washes some of their body coactively	Anticipates a routine, demonstrating
dispenser with support Remembers a washing/drying action	for three minutes	expectation of washing/bathing, e.g.
over a short period	Washes some of their body coactively	puts hands up for a towel after getting out of the bath/shower
Copies simple washing actions	for five minutes Searches for the sponge/flannel when it	Stands alone momentarily after rising to
Anticipates a routine demonstrating an	falls out of sight	their feet
expectation of familiar actions when	Co-operates with a member of staff	Demonstrates growing hand-to-hand co -ordination, e.g. clapping, passing a cup
given an auditory cue Anticipates a routine demonstrating an	either passively or actively whilst being washed	from one hand to the other
expectation of familiar actions when	Engages with a member of staff	Demonstrates growing eye and hand
given a visual cue	intentionally when they are helping to wash them	function, e.g. focuses on, reaches for and grasps objects
	Bathroom Routines	
Accepts teeth being brushed	Holds a hair brush and brings it to their	Responds to bathroom routines
Picks out the correct brush to clean	head in imitation	consistently when they frequently undertake them over extended periods
teeth with	Repeats an action for a specific purpose	of time
Holds a toothbrush and brings it to their mouth in imitation	Recognises their reflected self by making intentional movement and	Follows a simple one- or two-key word
Identifies common teeth cleaning	watching reaction when shown a mirror	instruction when accompanied by gestures and context
objects by pointing/looking at when they	Г	Uses a preferred hand when exploring
have been named	L	objects
	Bathroom Maintenance	
Accepts help in picking up and touching	Manipulates materials in increasingly	Accepts help in using objects
objects	complex ways when given intricate objects, e.g. turns penny-sized dials,	Puts different objects into containers
Manipulates small objects in hands	pushes penny-sized buttons	when encouraged to do so by a
		member of staff





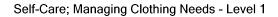
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	Managing Toilet Needs	
Directs someone to the toilet, e.g. in their home/the setting Asks where the toilet is in unfamiliar surroundings Follows signs, words or symbols to locate where the toilets are in an unfamiliar place, e.g. shopping centre Uses appropriate language to ask for the toilet Finds an empty cubicle in a public toilet area with verbal prompts States toileting requirements in adequate time, most of the time Gains more bowel and bladder control and can attend to toileting needs most of the time themselves Stays reliably dry during the day Remains dry, generally, throughout the night Asks for help with toileting if required Goes to the toilet independently Uses the correct comparative terms "wet" and "dry"	Opens doors pulling down handles Puts the light on in the bathroom when they enter the room independently Requires some support in locking and unlocking toilet doors in unfamiliar surroundings Uses appropriate language related to body parts associated with the toilet Identifies private areas of their bodies Demonstrates understanding that people have different names for their private parts Names some of the external parts of the body including the penis and vagina Recognises when it is appropriate to undress Demonstrates modesty and privacy by closing toilet doors Stands at the toilet (boys) Aims urine into the toilet/urinal Undresses and redresses when using the toilet independently Wipes self when using the toilet Demonstrates control over pressure when wiping themselves	Suggests what might happen if they do not wipe their bottom correctly after using the toilet Washes hands after going to the toilet Identifies soaps in a range of containers, e.g. identifies a soap container fixed to the wall Manipulates a familiar soap dispenser to drop soap into their hands Identifies and distinguishes the cold tap from the hot tap Moves to the bathroom to change sanitary products with reminders Uses sanitary products with verbal and physical prompts Cleans areas of the bathroom using given equipment, coactively with staff Locates the toilet brush Identifies that the toilet roll is empty Identifies where the cleaning equipment is stored Identifies where clean towels and bedding are stored Identifies the name of bathroom objects, e.g. toilet brush, mirror



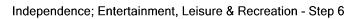
Self-Care; Managir	ng & Monitoring Health - Entry 1
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	Managing & Monitoring Health	
States their date of birth (day and	Recognises the activities or people that	Identifies exercise or choices they make
month) Gives examples of people who help	make them feel happy Names and labels the main external	to keep themselves healthy Identifies what routines helped them
them with health concerns	parts of the body	when they had a specific minor illness,
Identifies who might ask for personal information, e.g. employer, doctor	Names and labels the main parts of the face	e.g. sleeping in a dark room when they had a migraine
Information, e.g. employer, doctor	Covers mouth with hand when they	Recognises what a rash looks like, e.g.
being called in a health professional's	cough	via photographs or simple description
office Demonstrates the appropriate	Attempts to cover mouth/nose when sneezing	Recognises that a bruise can be many colours and can change colour over
behaviour in a waiting room with verbal	Blows nose in a tissue and wipes with	time
prompts Responds to questions about specific	some success Identifies that some substances may be	Identifies that temperature is used for measuring how hot or cold things are
health issues	poisonous, e.g. liquid, plants, etc.	Identifies a thermometer, demonstrating
Makes clear statements giving basic information about health concerns	Identifies that teeth should be brushed twice a day	how it is used, e.g. in the ear, stuck on the forehead
Makes requests and asks	Identifies why they brush their teeth	Notices a change on their body, e.g. a
straightforward questions using	Identifies that they should visit a dentist	bruise, graze or bump
appropriate terms when discussing health concerns	to have their teeth checked	Identifies ways they can feel better mentally
Speaks to a medical professional about	Identifies that a dentist should be visited	Recognises that it is normal and
an issue that is affecting them coactively with staff, e.g. a doctor,	if teeth or gums hurt Recognises the symptoms of a common	acceptable to feel different emotions Identifies different emotions using the
dentist, phycologist	illness, e.g. a headache or toothache	appropriate names
Identifies an opticians from a range of shops	Lists minor illnesses they have had and describes how they felt, e.g. vomiting,	Labels and expresses anger or other strong feelings appropriately
Identifies a pharmacy from a range of	mouth ulcer, cold, hay fever, etc.	Identifies emotions of others when
shops	Links common symptoms to a familiar illness, e.g. pictures of a blocked nose	looking at facial expressions
Recognises that sleep is important for the body	and sore throat to a cold	Identifies who to go to when feeling sad or angry
Identifies that, without permission, they		Demonstrates some ways to calm
shouldn't touch medicines or equipment Identifies ways they can feel better	L	themselves down
physically		
	Managing and Monitoring a Condition	
Takes an active part in therapy routines	Squeezes and rubs cream over a	Recognises that each medicine has a
States the medical condition they have	specified area of their body requiring prompts to cover all of an area	specific use Identifies bottles/packets of medicines
when prompted Identifies allergies or intolerances they	Identifies which times of day they	they regularly take, e.g.
have when prompted	expect to have medicines, e.g. before/after a meal	methylphenidate Recognises the name of a medicine
Demonstrates understanding that a person cannot eat a specific food item if	Describes rules they have to follow	they take regularly, e.g. insulin, reliever
they have an allergy or intolerance to it	regarding medicines Demonstrates how many spoons are	inhaler Identifies the type of shop to get a
Pours from a liquid medicine bottle onto	needed to provide the amount of ml	prescription and general medicine from
a spoon with physical prompts	required	
	Accidents and Injuries	
Identifies items or actions that could cause minor injuries in the setting, e.g.	Identifies the number to phone in a medical emergency is 999	Classifies a range of injuries as serious or minor with some prompting, e.g.
iron may cause a burn, trip hazards	Explains how to contact the appropriate	broken leg, paper cut
Follows short instructions to address a	emergency services	Identifies that a serious injury requires
medical issue Suggests what to do next when treating	Explains why they require assistance with a medical issue	attention at a hospital Lists minor injuries they have had and
a minor injury, e.g. the wound is now	Identifies an ambulance service uniform	recalls how/where they were treated
clean so next we cover it with a plaster Identifies that disposable sterile gloves	Role plays a call to emergency services	and by whom Cuts a plaster to size and sticks it on a
are worn to attend to another's wounds	Identifies people in uniform, e.g. police,	wound with some accuracy
Recognises that they do not always need a plaster on a wound	nurse	
need a plaster on a would		





connecting steps v4	Name	: :
Demo	Started: Completed:	
	Dressing & Undressing	
Checks and adjusts clothing for neatness when dressing, e.g. collar over tie Choosing Appropriate Clothing Chooses the correct footwear for a range of occasions and weathers Chooses the correct clothes for a range of occasions and weathers	Classifies different clothing correctly as smart or casual Packs a bag for a trip, selecting all the necessary clothes for the weather/occasion/time away, requiring minimal prompts to ensure everything necessary is included Shopping for Clothes	Considers the image they are presenting when choosing appropriate clothing Matches or arranges items of clothing to design an outfit for a specific occasion Picks an accessory to match an outfit with success
Selects the correct item of clothing based on their measurements independently:	Locates and uses a fitting room to try o clothing independently	n Answers unfamiliar questions from shop staff during clothes/footwear purchasing
- Trousers/skirts/shorts - Shirts/jumpers/T-shirts - Underwear, e.g. pants, bras - Footwear - Checks a label automatically to ensure they have the correct size before trying on/purchasing	Takes an allowable amount of clothing into a fitting room Determines if new clothing is appropriate independently Identifies what to do if they cannot find an item of clothing or footwear in their size Identifies items they own that will coordinate with a new item, e.g. recognises that they already have appropriate shoes to go with a dress or suit they want to buy	independently Consults the sizing chart before purchasing clothes online with minimal prompts Recognises they can return items of clothing or footwear within specific terms issued by the shop Checks a security tag has been taken off by shop staff straight after purchasing without prompting
Washir	ng, Drying & Storing Clothes & Household	
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physical prompts, e.g. membership painting, cooking, etc. Recognises what happens at the a leisure activity, e.g. leaving the	physical prompts, e.g. membership	painting, cooking, etc.	Recognises what happens at the end of a leisure activity, e.g. leaving the
States how old they are encouragement equipment behind, saying "Good Recognises a photograph of	_ ' '		equipment behind, saying "Goodbye" Recognises a photograph of
	where they should be with prompts, e.g.	Į	themselves on their ID card, e.g.





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	Household Chores	
Follows a simple one- or two-key word instruction when accompanied by gestures and context	Demonstrates growing eye and hand function, e.g. focuses on, reaches for and grasps objects	Engages in cleaning/tidying activities for three minutes when working with a familiar member of staff
Watches water fill a bowl Identifies the use of household objects,	Demonstrates growing hand-to-hand co -ordination, e.g. clapping, passing a cup from one hand to the other	Engages in cleaning/tidying activities for five minutes when working with a familiar member of staff
e.g. hairbrush, spoon, mug, etc. Picks up small objects securely with a pincer grip	Tolerates the sound of the vacuum cleaner with some support Accepts help in using objects	Presses and releases an access/control device with support Pushes a plug into a socket with hand-
Picks objects off the floor when holding furniture for support Puts rubbish in the bin when	Remembers the purpose of a tool over a short period of time	over-hand assistance Squeezes using a trigger to release cleaning fluid from a container with
encouraged to do so by a member of staff Takes object out of container in	Copies simple actions using their lower body Copies simple actions using their upper	hand-over hand support Stops and faces a vacuum cleaner when it has been switched on
imitation Touches a range of textures without protest when provided with different	Responds to cleaning routines consistently when they frequently	(localising the origin of the noise) Observes and responds to staff using a washing machine, e.g. by
objects Manipulates materials in increasingly complex ways when given intricate objects, e.g. turns penny-sized dials,	undertake them over extended periods of time Interacts with a familiar piece of cleaning equipment briefly when its	demonstrating interest in what is inside the drum, what the detergent smells like, etc.
pushes penny-sized buttons	name is spoken or signed	
Applies a familiar action to a new cause	Household Maintenance Communicates surprise if familiar object	Tracks a smell until it moves out of
-and-effect activity to try and make it work	fails to complete an action, e.g. make a noise when button is pressed	range when odours are passed in front of them
Applies a new action to a familiar cause -and-effect activity after a previous	Observes the result of their action Communicates to a member of staff	Tracks a sound until it moves out of range when noise-making objects are
negative response Applies a familiar action to a familiar	with verbal or physical exclamations,	passed in front of them Responds to different environmental
cause-and-effect activity after a previous positive response	e.g. saying "Uh-oh!" when something goes wrong	sounds appropriately when they are part of familiar routines, e.g. looks at the door when the bell goes
	Household Routines	
Anticipates a routine demonstrating an expectation of familiar actions when given a visual cue	Looks at their visual timetable with interest when it is placed in front of them	Identifies that a specific object signifies an activity, e.g. coat means going outside
Anticipates a routine demonstrating an expectation of familiar actions when given an auditory cue	Acknowledges a change in lighting Remembers an action over a short	Follows the sequence of a familiar daily routine and responds appropriately Recognises that the ringing of the
3 • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	period Repeats an action for a specific purpose	phone means someone is calling Demonstrates recognition of some of their own belongings
		aren own belongings



Independence;	News &	Current	Events -	Entry 2
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Name:

	Coursing Information	
	Sourcing Information	
Uses a correct source to find the weather forecast	Asks for information over the telephone from a help line	Identifies meetings which relate to specific issues which may affect them,
Finds and reads temperatures in a	Asks questions to obtain information	e.g. resident's meeting regarding
weather forecast	regarding community events	changes in services
Repeats details from weather forecast	Uses correct source to find out about what is on at a local community hub	Speaks clearly, communicating with some confidence to familiar and
Repeats details from an account they	Identifies why they want to take part in a	unfamiliar people
	leisure activity/community event, e.g.	Uses sequence markers to follow gist
the UK on a map	want to improve their skills, peer recommended it	explanations (firstly, lastly, then, in the end, finally)
Reads and responds to a short national	Draws on background information to	Speaks in larger groups about a topic
☐ and international news story	help understanding	that affects them with support, e.g. use
Describes the layout of the text and how it helps the reader, e.g. headings in non	Decides on what information they want to find out before a meeting, e.g. in	notes written with a member of staff when raising a point during a meeting
-fiction	discussion with a member of staff	Listens for and identifies the main
Uses illustrations, images and captions to locate information	Accesses the website for their local	points of short explanations
 □ to locate information □ Simply explains a difference between 	council, e.g. to find information about rubbish collections	Identifies the purpose of a committee, e.g. residents or event planning
fact and fiction	Navigates different areas of their local	committee
Recognises facts	council's website to find information	Recognises the type of format a
Expresses statements of fact clearly	Finds specified information from ICT-	committee meeting may follow Books into a relevant meeting with
Formulates questions to seek specific	based sources by using simple search facilities	prompts, e.g. requires support to
details		call/write/email to advise a committee
		they are attending
	Critical Thinking	
Identifies if a community event or	Makes appropriate contributions to	Gives their opinion even if others
meeting is relevant to them, with guided questioning	simple group discussions with others about a straightforward topic, e.g. in a	disagree
☐ Identifies the purpose of a community	staff meeting	Suggests simple reasons behind even in a news story
event	Demonstrates acknowledgement of	Retells a news story they have read in
Identifies the purpose of event tickets	someone else's opinion or information in their relevant answers	the correct order
Sustains listening and participation in	Responds to others appropriately, e.g.	Asks questions about the text to aid understanding
longer discussions or conversations	when asked a question, when	Relates an event from a story to their
about less familiar topics or experiences Reports on who said what during a	countering an explanation	own experience, retelling their
group discussion	Gives structured descriptions, explanations and narratives within	experience with some detail Justifies their own views with
Speculates on what has been said	familiar topics	information from what they have read
Follow the gist of discussion regarding	Expresses their own feelings about a straightforward subject clearly	
community matters	States a preference and gives generally	
	clear reasons	
	Gives their opinion on a familiar topic	
	confidently	





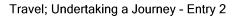
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	Money & Banking	
Recognises and knows the value of	Identifies where they have seen an ATM	Talks about the money they have spent
different denominations of coins Recognises and knows the value of	Remembers their PIN	when looking at their bank statement, e.g. remembers why they took out £10
different denominations of notes	Inserts the correct card into an ATM	and what it was spent on
Recognises the symbol for pounds (£)	Types their PIN into an ATM (pressing	Writes the numbers to 20 in words Fills in a simple deposit slip with verbal
Recognises the symbol for pence (p)	enter if required) when requested Selects the correct amount they are	prompts
Sorts coins by denomination for banking	asked to withdraw from an ATM, either £10 or £20	Makes clear statements giving basic information about money concerns, e.g.
Gives equivalent amounts to 5p	Gives examples of what is meant by the	the ATM is not working Makes requests and asks
Give equivalent amounts to 10p	term 'cash' States the name of their bank when	straightforward questions using
Gives equivalent amounts to 20p	asked Reads some words on bank forms, e.g	appropriate terms regarding money and banking issues
Matches single coins to priced items Solves money problems involving	date/number on a deposit slip	Follows single-step instructions regarding banking procedures
addition and subtraction of single digit	Identifies the opening and closing times of their bank with prompts	Responds to questions about specific
numbers up to 20p Answers simple subtraction money	Writes their bank account number	information regarding money and banking issues
problems to 20p	Locates basic information within a bank	Identifies their cheque book
Uses a single coin in a vending machine	statement, e.g. their account number, address, name	Identifies the apps on their mobile
Selects the correct coin for the locker	Identifies basic information on an ATM receipt, e.g. the amount they withdrew	phone which relate to banking and money, e.g. mobile payment app such
Understands the idea of saving, e.g. a piggy bank	receipt, e.g. the amount they withdrew	as Apple Pay, mobile banking app
Recognises they can save their money to use later		
10 000 1010	Shopping & Budgeting	
Identifies which tills are self-service	Identifies a service they have to pay for	Uses a shopping list to find and buy five
Expects to be handed a piece of paper	in the setting, e.g. phone bill, coffee money	familiar items in a grocery shop with minimal verbal prompts
when asked if they would like the receipt	Identifies a way of saving money in the	Presses the correct numerical code on
Identifies basic information on a	setting Explains the difference between the	a vending machine
shopping receipt Pays for their shopping using a bank	terms 'cheap' and 'expensive' Lists activities/events which cost and	
card with verbal and physical prompts, e.g. help to turn the card the correct	those which are 'free'	
way, reminder to press enter after	Describes what they spend their money on	
putting in their PIN Explains simply what could happen if	Finds a price on a simple price list	
someone takes an item out of a shop without paying	Writes a shopping list	



Name:	
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	Walking & Running	
Moves freely around objects in a new	Steps down a kerb with confidence	Jumps over a 5 cm high hurdle or
room/environment, e.g. furniture	Runs in a straight line	obstacle
Moves safely within the space available	Runs independently	Jumps over an obstacle whilst running
Moves freely and confidently	Runs on their toes	Jumps backwards with feet together
Changes their speed of movement Shows some awareness of others when	Runs with good co-ordination	Jumps sideways with feet together Jumps up and down on the spot with
moving	Stops and starts running in control	feet together
Stands on their tiptoes	Makes a sharp turn when running	Moves downstairs on their bottom
Turns through 360° on the spot	Runs freely, avoiding large obstacles	Walks downstairs using a handrail - two feet per step
Balances on each foot for three seconds	Hops on one foot although may be	Walks up a set of stairs using a handrail, using alternate feet
Attempts to walk along a line	unsteady	Walks up a set of stairs without using a
Walks forwards - heel to toe	Jumps forwards with feet together	handrail, two feet to a step Walks up and downstairs, alternating
Walks backwards	Jumps forwards 10 centimetres or more	feet on each step
Walks, stops and turns without losing balance	Jumps off a step	Stands and then moves unaided, more than 200 metres
	Cycling	
Gets on and off a balance bike	Begins to pedal a tricycle and propel	Demonstrates the correct action when
Steers a balance bike around some obstacles	Brakes on a balance bike with feet	asked to squeeze a brake on a tricycle
	when trying to stop	
Holds the side of the pool and bobs up	Swimming Floats on their back in water using a	Moves across the pool with support
and down, getting their face wet	swimming aid	from a member of staff
Blows bubbles in water	Removes feet from the bottom of the pool with help of a float	Propels themselves around the pool
Kicks their legs on their front or back in the pool		Uses both arms to pull or push water (whilst body is held)
	Using a Mobility Aid	
Moves around a space encountering and avoiding many objects or obstacles	Demonstrates the appropriate grip	
and avoiding many objects or obstacles using a mobility aid	Demonstrates the appropriate grip strength to stand and move using an aid or appliance	
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		Using Public and Commercial Transport	
	Pays their fair/shows their pass appropriately on public transport	Gets on/off the bus at the correct stop for a familiar journey with a prompt	Remembers to take their personal belongings before exiting a vehicle with
	Remembers to take items to aid their	Recognises they must not converse	a prompt
	anxiety levels on a journey where appropriate, e.g. fidget cube	with the bus driver whilst they are driving	Describes how to keep their things saf when outside of the setting/during a
	Recognises some risks when waiting on	Looks out to see if they are near their	journey
	a train platform	destination with prompts	Locates the taxi rank/taxi office in a
	Recognises some risks when waiting at a bus stop	Identifies that buses will only stop to let people on and off at a bus stop	familiar place, e.g. within the usual tra
	Recognises that the bus driver has seen	Recognises the train door may not open	Queues appropriately when waiting for a taxi
	a signal and is slowing down to stop to let them on the bus	without the button being pressed Stands in a safe area if there are no	Uses a taxi-hailing app with verbal
	Recognises that someone else at the	seats on the train/bus	prompts for each step
	bus stop has signalled the bus to stop	Identifies an alarm lever on a train and a	Identifies the phone number of a taxi
	Recognises they have to alert the bus driver they wish to get off by pressing a	reason why it might be pulled	firm in a contacts bookDemonstrates safe behaviour when in
	signal button before their stop	Acts courteously to other passengers	car
	Recognises they only press the 'stop' button once to alert the driver	States their address including their house number, street and town	Suggests ways they can keep themselves safe in different places
_	Recognises that the bus driver has	Asks the price of the journey in a	Identifies an appropriate person to ask
_	heard a signal and is slowing down to stop to let them off the bus	commercial vehicle with a prompt	for help in a familiar place
	stop to let them on the bus		Recognises safe and unsafe situations
		Travelling as a Pedestrian	
	Walks a familiar journey of a distance of under 1 mile independently, at an	Uses a pedestrian/refuge island if there are no controlled crossing areas nearby	Identifies the floor they wish to go to when using a lift
	average speed	Explains why it is unsafe to walk along	Demonstrates some lift etiquette
_	Walks along familiar pavements	train and/or tram tracks	Moves clear of the escalator exit area
_	avoiding moving people and obstacles Follows written direction to get to a set	Recognises that trains can travel from either direction along the tracks	immediately after reaching the end of
	location	Identifies different ways they can be	the walkway
	Identifies safe places to cross on a	warned that a train is approaching a	Stands on the correct side of the escalator
	familiar journey	level crossing	Demonstrates awareness of others
	Explains the difference between a pelican and puffin crossing	Closes a gate they have opened with a prompt, e.g. at a field boundary	waiting to get onto the escalator, e.g.
	Stops each time before they attempt to	Explains how to walk near waterways	merges in line with others
	cross a road when using controlled	safely	Identifies where the emergency stop button is generally located on an
	crossings	Stands clear of lift doors	escalator
		Moves into the lift to accommodate others with verbal prompts	
		Travelling by Bicycle	
	Cycles with some pace and effort	Keeps both feet on the pedals unless	Recognises why they should slow dow
	Moves around obstacles when cycling	stop/starting Explains why they should cover their	near animals or people Recognises that they are not allowed t
	at speed	brake lever all of the time	carry a passenger on their bicycle
	Begins to choose the correct gears for different gradients	Identifies some hazards they may face	Recognises that they are not allowed
	Steers a bicycle far enough away from	when cycling on the road	hold onto a moving vehicle or trailer
	the kerb when turning but close enough	Explains why they should not cycle close behind another vehicle	when on their bicycle Identifies brake and reversing lights in
	to the side of the road	Explains the term 'blind spot'	use on cars
	Looks around before signalling a turn with a prompt	Identifies different road surfaces on a	Recognises what a flat bicycle tyre
	Signals turns to the left or right using	familiar route, e.g. speed humps,	looks/feels like Oils a bicycle chain with verbal and
	their arms for one to two seconds	potholes	physical prompts
	Steers into turns with both hands on the handlebars with a prompt	Recognises that they have to stop for pedestrians waiting at zebra crossings	Locks and unlocks their bike with
	Keeps both hands on the handlebars	Follows the traffic light instructions as a	minimal verbal and physical prompts
	unless signalling or changing gear with a prompt	cyclist when at a crossing, e.g. slops at a red light	



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	Planning a Journey	
Identifies key landscape/environmental	Locates the departure board/screen in a	Understands simple signs
features during a familiar journey, e.g. houses, hills	train station	Derives meaning from text in the
Recalls key landscape/environmental	Relates places they have seen in real life to pictures/photographs	environment, e.g. brand names, cereal
features of a familiar journey, e.g.	Points to symbols/pictures of interest on	packets, road signs, etc.
motorway, river	a map/aerial photos	Follows written instructions with assistance
Describes features of the land using	Copies bus numbers to aid memory	Follows a verbal directional instruction,
appropriate language Sequences pictures of three buildings	when travelling, e.g. to work	e.g. go through the gate at the end of
they see on a familiar journey, e.g. first	Matches numerals to read bus numbers	the path
the church, then the school, then the leisure centre	Understands what an address is	Follows an instruction containing four key words
Questions if a different route is taken on	Says part of their address	Takes photos as an aid to memory, e.g.
a familiar journey Gives an example of a landmark (local	Copies their post code	of places to get off the bus on their journey to work
or national)	Matches their post code	Understands familiar words, signs and
Indicates the direction of familiar places	Indicates that water is coloured blue on	symbols which describe position, including inside, outside, above, below,
from home Describes the length of a familiar	simple maps	front (with some inconsistencies)
journey using appropriate language,	Indicates that land is coloured green, brown or yellow on simple maps	Understands direction of movement,
e.g. long, shorter		including forwards, backwards, up, down (with some inconsistencies)
Sequences a familiar journey in four	Identifies some of the days of the week	Understands and applies direction of
parts, e.g. (home) - walk - bus - walk - work	Understands the use of a TV guide/bus timetable	movement in simple statements,
Identifies local methods of transport	Engages with a range of maps, e.g.	including forwards, backwards, up, down, left, right
Identifies the name of the place they	points to symbols of interest, asks what	Listens to and engages with a
want to travel to	a symbol means	navigation device, e.g. a Tom Tom
Suggests how they can help remember	Identifies a map, e.g. on screen/paper	device or Waze app whilst in a car
part of a journey, e.g. take a note of the bus number that they need with them	Identifies that maps show the location of	
Gives directions as they walk a familiar	different places Identifies the key and symbols on a	
route to a member of staff, e.g. next	simple map	
cross the road	Uses the symbols on a simple pictorial map to find a place	

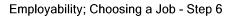
Sample Pages

The samples over the next few pages are designed to give you an overview of Steps4Life Employability Skills.



They show the different areas covered by this assessment framework and cover a range of ability levels.







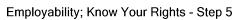
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	Unemployment & Claiming Ber	nefits
Suggests a reason why people work Recognises that a job provides money Recognises they need money to buy items Demonstrates an understanding of the concept of transaction (e.g. by exchanging a coin for an item, or one item for another, during a role-play activity) (PKSS)	Communicates possession through use of the terms 'yours' and 'mir Follows simple instructions from familiar person which are accomby actions when applying for help/benefits	unknown people in a range of settings Shows care and concern for self
	Planning their Future	
Demonstrates curiosity in the outside world Communicates about events in the immediate past, the present and in the future Joins in staff-led discussion about some of the rewards that a job brings	Joins in staff-led discussion abo aspiration and goals Pauses, showing consideration offered an idea from member of peer Role plays 'real world' jobs, e.g. builder, doctor	when staff or staff or
	Knowing their Skill Set	
Identifies positive words which describe themselves Identifies activities they know they are good at or can achieve a positive outcome with	Starts talking about themselves Suggests a skill or quality neede a familiar job, e.g. a vet should li animals	ed to do
	Understanding Job Requireme	ents
Asks a question about a job Recognises simple words to do with employment, e.g. work, job, pay Looks at and responds to photographs showing tasks for a job, e.g. washing up, stacking shelves, cutting grass	Identifies one thing they might e happen at work, e.g. meet peop a desk Recognises what happens durin workday in a job they have beer discussing, e.g. putting on unifor talking to customers	found out about a job after a discussion, e.g. name of company, wear uniform, working with animals Identifies two things which attract them





Employability, detting a 30b - Entry 2
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	Finding a Job	
Identifies an appropriate person to ask for help with finding a job, e.g. careers advisor, carer Understands the main points in a short, straightforward job advert Identifies any qualification requirements in a job advert	Identifies any skill requirements in a job advert Identifies knowledge about themselves that is appropriate to a job advertised, e.g. their skills, qualifications or interests Identifies how long it would take to travel to a place of work with support	Identifies if the journey time to a job is acceptable, e.g. when looking at a journey planning app Finds out basic information about a company named in a job advert, e.g. searches online to find out what they sell/provide, location
	Applying for Jobs	
Reads and responds to the following words on forms: - Name - Address - Date of birth - Age - Postcode - Telephone number Completes a form asking for personal information, e.g. first name, surname, address, postcode, age, date of birth	Identifies the purpose of a CV Identifies who they can ask to help or check their CV Identifies the type of information that is included in a CV, e.g. education, skills Identifies words which are positive which would be suitable for a CV, e.g. improved, organised Writes positive information about themselves in sentences, which describes their skills simply	Reads and understands sentences about themselves with more than one clause Works with a member of staff to type relevant information into a template CV, e.g. using Word Includes and checks the contact information on their CV Composes simple sentences which communicates three pieces of relevant information in a covering letter, e.g. why they are writing, thanking them for reading
addices, peersede, age, adde or sindi	Interviewing for Jobs	
Identifies a reason why it is important to look and dress smartly for a job interview Describes the importance of hygiene Identifies steps that can be taken to ensure they get to an interview on time, e.g. ask someone to check travel plans, do a dry run Identifies reasons why it is beneficial to practise interview questions Identifies a reason why it is important to know something about the company/job being interviewed for, e.g. shows initiative, helps with answering questions Identifies a place as the reception area in an unfamiliar building Introduces themselves politely, giving some appropriate information about themselves, e.g. "Hello, my name is Jim and I am here for an interview."	Identifies what they can do if they find making eye contact difficult, e.g. look at another part of the face Listens with interest using signals to the speaker, e.g. eye contact, nodding Follows simple introductory formalities, e.g. stands up to shake someone's hand Identifies what is good body language in an interview Gives two reasons why they think they would be good at a job Identifies why it is important to turn off a mobile phone before an interview Identifies items/behaviours they should avoid in an interview, e.g. chewing gum, texting	Responds appropriately to questions within a job interview Expresses straightforward information clearly in a job interview Follows the gist of discussions Makes appropriate contributions in interviews Identifies different ways to hear about the outcome of an interview Identifies how they would respond to an interviewer after being offered a job they interviewed for Identifies how they would respond to an interviewer after being told they have not got a job they interviewed for





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	Understanding Contracts	
Recognises the daily routine	Associates words they hear with actions	Follows simple commands (including
Reads and responds to their visual timetable with assistance	they see when given instructions Associates words they hear with objects they see when given instructions	verbs) with appropriate responses, e.g. rolls the ball when requested to Responds to verbal, physical and
Identifies letters and symbols, demonstrating an understanding that	Responds to one-step commands appropriately when asked clearly by a	pictorial instructions with encouragement when following a work-
they convey a meaning	member of staff, e.g. "Get your shoes"	related activity
Draws attention to symbols and signs in	Health & Safety Moves away from prohibited items or	Understands words related to physical
the environment Indicates they have an issue within the workplace environment, e.g. by pulling a member of staff to the location Communicates why an appliance or utensil can be dangerous with a gesture or word, e.g. pulls hand away or communicates "ouch!" Communicates "Me" and "Mine" to	appliances when requested Accepts the word 'No' in some situations Shows some basic awareness of causeand-effect Demonstrates an understanding of words associated with mental health, e.g. sad, cry, upset Pay Rights Listens to numbers being counted	health, e.g. pain, ouch, cut Uses a word, sign, symbol or gesture to express how their body feels if in pain or discomfort Indicates the need for help with words, gestures, or symbols Accepts help Responds to "Give me some more of
identify possession when objects are introduced/taken away Communicates 'Gone' or 'All gone'	Presses buttons on calculator and watches number display	[named item]" Plays with coins
appropriately Looks at numbers written in figures	Responds to "Give me some of [named item]"	
Looks at humbers written in rigures	0.:	
Communicates about an issue that	Grievances Asks questions using words, signs	Responds to simple questions with
Applies potential solutions to problems systematically when attempting to resolve issues that affect them, e.g. looks nearby for their other shoe when one is missing, then further afield Looks to a member of staff for support Makes their feelings known to a member of staff	when requiring information or clarification about objects, people or occasions Shakes their head, signs or uses symbols in disagreement to a suggestion or viewpoint of another Nods, signs or uses symbols in agreement to a suggestion or viewpoint of another Communicates likes or dislikes using words, signs or symbols	their shoe when asked where it is Responds to choices with actions or gestures when given options Calms down and returns to an activity when a problem is resolved



Name:	
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		Communication & Interpersonal Skills	
	Identifies ways to develop good	Listens and responds to other points of	Identifies reasons why they need to
	relationships with others in a workplace	view appropriately, even if they	communicate with different people in
	Uses formal greetings where appropriate	disagree	the workplace, e.g. to let someone know how much paper to order, to inform
	☐ Identifies ways to form a good	Takes part actively in a conversation	about broken equipment
	impression	Respects the turn taking rights of others	Identifies how to communicate with
	ldentifies whether a situation is formal	during discussions Speaks at an appropriate time and for	work colleagues effectively, e.g. active
	or informal	an appropriate duration in a discussion	listening face-to-face, polite terms withir an email
	Copes with necessary interactions with strangers	Ends a talk, discussion or conversation	Recognises simple actions that could
	□ Strangers □ Speaks at the appropriate register and	appropriately	be taken with a major problem in the
	speed	Identifies the importance of maintaining	workplace
	Signals understanding appropriately	courtesy in the workplace, e.g. towards colleagues/customers	Recognises simple actions that could be taken with a minor problem in the
	ot (nodding, agreeing, repeating)	Cooperates well with others in their	workplace
	Maintains the personal space of others	team	Follows verbal instructions to use a new
	Makes requests and asks concise	Identifies why conflict might occur in a	piece of equipment that they have seen
	uestions using appropriate language in	workplace	used before
	different contexts	Reaches an agreement with others	Recognises and responds to emotions in others, e.g. get help, speak calmly
	Asks for advice in a range of contexts	Identifies who they would need to	If others, e.g. get help, speak calling light li
	Makes contributions to discussions or	communicate with in the workplace	relationships with the people in a
	meetings that are relevant to the subject	Identifies workplace communication methods, e.g. email, discussions	workplace
	Listens and responds to the content of meetings which relate to specific issues	—— memous, e.g. email, discussions	
	that may affect them		
		Professional & Organisational Skills	
	Anticipates the outcome or	Identifies the importance of attending	Identifies what behaviours would help
	□ consequences of a familiar action, e.g. □ completing a work task on time or later □	work regularly Identifies the importance of attending	collaboration Demonstrates a willingness to try new
	than planned	work on time	tasks and responsibilities at work both
	Identifies who to talk to help improve	Takes appropriate breaks, e.g. makes	individually and as part of a team
	their workplace skills, e.g. asking a	sure they are back within a time limit	Demonstrates initiative to work
	supervisor for training sessions	Identifies if they are late, early or on	independently on familiar and unfamiliar
	Identifies their own responsibilities	time	tasks most of the time Identifies how they could tell if a
	Stays on task to complete their	Informs the relevant person if they are running late	colleague may need help with a task
	responsibilities most of the time	Recognises whose responsibility it is to	Identifies a reason why their
	Identifies their deadlines	report a health and safety issue, e.g.	responsibilities may change at work
	Demonstrates some initiative within	when they spot water on the hall floor	Demonstrates good moral judgement when exploring difficult workplace
	unfamiliar tasks, e.g. checks instruction booklet, asks a colleague	Identifies their responsibilities for safety at work, e.g. making sure	scenarios
	Identifies the quality expected of the	doors/cupboards are shut/locked	Identifies a positive action they could
	tasks they are required to do	Applies familiar safety considerations	take to show involvement in a
	Identifies the tasks that they need to	when participating in their day to day	workplace
	complete	work duties	Identifies ways of showing honesty or trustworthiness in the workplace
	Identifies what to do if they feel that they	Recognises why a work area should be tidy	Identifies what a customer wants from a
	」 won't finish tasks on time □ Begins their daily tasks after arriving at	Recognises there may be areas/rooms	business, e.g. good quality, low price
	work with support only if there is an	in the workplace they are not allowed to	Identifies one impact of bad customer
	unusual occurrence	enter	service on a business
_	Attends work on time	Follows some of the directions and	Identifies how following written and unwritten rules in the workplace create
	Attends work in accordance to their	procedures explained to them in the workplace independently, requiring	a positive environment
	contracted hours	assistance or reminders at some points	Identifies an appropriate person to ask
	Leaves work at the appropriate time	of the day/task	for help in an unfamiliar situation
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	mostly independently	Defines the term 'delegation'	



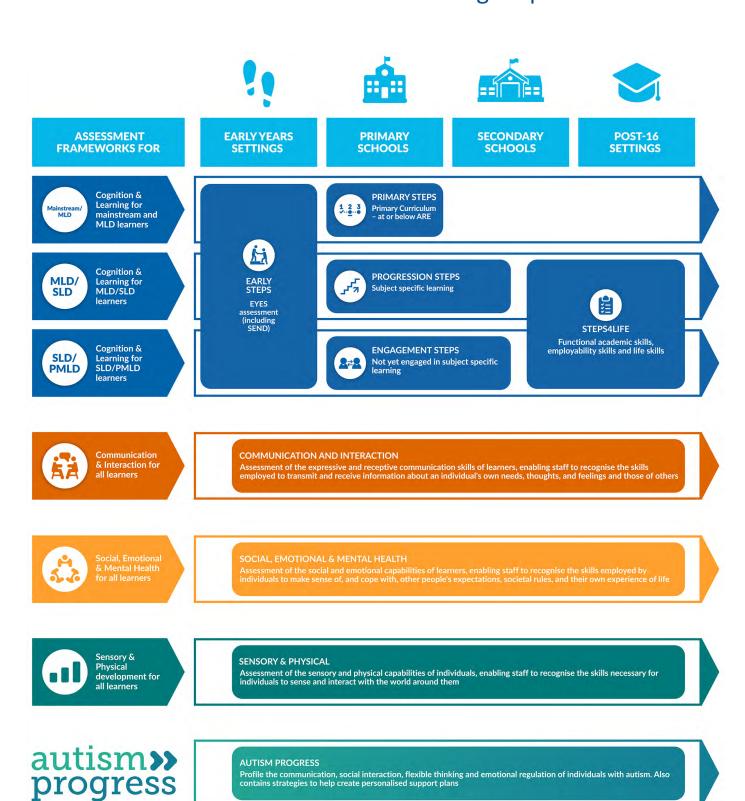


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	Workplace Routines	
Attends work with the appropriate clothes, shoes, accessories and equipment Checks the accessibility of their journey to work in advance, making changes if there is an issue Locates places, people and equipment in the workplace independently Demonstrates initiative to keep a workplace environment tidy, e.g. puts away a delivery if appropriate Clears up areas or equipment which are not necessarily their responsibility, e.g. washes up a colleague's tea mug as well as their own Completes daily workday tasks independently and within given time limits Makes efficient use of workplace resources Demonstrates efficient time management skills Demonstrates appropriate behaviours and attitudes at work Copes with a change in the day which affects how they follow their routine	Identifies reasons why employers may decide to change a routine or procedure at work Interacts appropriately with work colleagues Identifies how to deal appropriately with a range of positive work situations, e.g. being praised by a team leader Identifies how to deal appropriately with a range of negative work situations, e.g. interpersonal issues/accidently breaking equipment Follows timing guidelines and rules of etiquette when taking lunch, rest or toilet breaks during the workday, e.g. speaking politely to colleagues in an informal environment such as a staffroom or canteen Recognises that some places of work have social routines which are not written as contractual guidelines, e.g. having collections for leavers, taking in cake on a birthday	Identifies procedures with a range of uncommon workplace issues, e.g. customer complaint, sickness, injury Seeks advice when appropriate Identifies who can help them reach a solution and how it could be achieved Identifies relevant health and safety practices which are their own responsibility Identifies who is/are responsible (within a workplace) for health and safety Demonstrates attentive listening by responding to or initiating discussion, which draws on what has been said Identifies how to make a positive contribution to a workplace Follows the directions and procedures explained to them in the workplace independently
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Our Assessment Frameworks

The image below gives an overview of the different frameworks available within Connecting Steps.



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Each assessment framework has to align to the curriculum it is based on. This means our frameworks use a range of level structures. The image below shows a comparison between our different frameworks.

STATUTORY FRAMEWORKS B SO			QUARED AS	ED ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORKS				
P Levels and NC Levels	Pre-Key Stage Standards	Early Steps	Engagement Steps	Progression Steps	Primary Steps	Steps4Life	Autism Progress	Broad Areas of Need
NC 7								
				Progression Step 10]			Level 16 (13–15 yrs)
NC 6						Level 2	Level 17	_
				Drogression Stop 0	Creater Douth 9			
				Progression Step 9	Greater Depth & Breadth			Level 15 (11–13 yrs
NC 5							Level 16	
NC 4	-			Progression Step 8	Year 6	Level 1	Level 15	Level 14 (9–11 yrs)
					Year 5			
NC 3								
				Progression Step 7	Year 4	Entry 3	Level 14	Level 13 (7–9 yrs)
NC 2 NC 2a					Year 3			
NC 2b	Standard 6			Progression Step 6				
NC 2c	Standard 5	Exc. ELG	1	Progression Step 5	Year 2	Entry 2	Level 13	Level 12 (6–7 yrs)
NC 1b	Standard 4			Progression Step 4	Year 1	Entry 1	Level 12	Level 11 (5–6 yrs)
NC 1c	Standard 3	ELG		Progression Step 3	Progression Step 3			
P8		40–60 months				Step 7	Level 11	Level 10 (4–5 yrs)
P7	Standard 2	30–50 months	-	Progression Step 2	Progression Step 2		Level 10	Level 9 (3–4 yrs)
P6	Standard 1	22–36 months	Engagement Step 6	Progression Step 1	Progression Step 1	Step 6	Level 9	Level 8 (2½–3 yrs) Level 7 (2–2½ yrs)
P5 P4		16–26 months	Engagement Step 5			Step 5	Level 8 Level 7	Level 6 (18–24 mnths)
P3(ii)		8–20 months					Level 6	Level 5 (12–18 mnths)
P3(i) P2(ii) P2(i)		0–11 months	Engagement Step 4 Engagement Step 3		-	Step 4 Step 3	Level 5 Level 4 Level 3	Level 4 (9–12 Level 3 (6–9 mnths Level 2 (3–6 mnths
P1(ii)			Engagement Sten 2			Sten 2	Level 2	Level 1 (0–3 mnths

Cognition and Learning

Early Steps

Our EYFS assessment covers the range from birth to the Exceeded Early Learning Goals (ELG) across all seven areas –Mathematics, Literacy, Physical Development, Communication and Language, PSED, Understanding the World, Expressive Arts and Design.

Engagement Steps

Engagement Steps is our new formative assessment framework for pupils not yet engaged in subject-specific learning. It comprises four sections which reflect the four broad areas of need and includes the 7 areas of engagement. This framework will help teachers to record the achievements of pupils who are working profoundly beneath age-related expectations and who are working on an informal curriculum.

Primary Steps

Our Primary assessment breakdown structure is based on the 2014 National Curriculum. If you are looking at using B Squared assessment with both mainstream and SEN pupils in a Primary setting then the Primary Steps works well for you. It includes the End of Year Outcomes and the first 3 levels of our Progression Steps for pupils working below Year 1.

Core Subjects

English, Maths and Science

Plus Subjects

Computing, PSHE (including Relationships) and PE

Foundation Subjects

Art & Design, DT, Geography, History, Languages, Music and Religious Education

Progression Steps

Progression Steps is our new formative assessment framework for pupils who are engaging with subject-specific learning. It will over time comprise books which reflect the four broad areas of need. This framework covers the ability range identified by the new pre-key stage standards.

Core Subjects

English, Maths and Science

Plus Subjects

Computing, PSHE (including Sex & Relationships and Citizenship) and PE

Foundation Subjects

Art & Design, DT, Geography, History, Languages, Music and Religious Education

Steps4Life

Steps4Life is our new framework for individuals with SEND who are working towards independent living. It is primarily designed to be used from Key Stage 4 onwards. Some individuals will be working towards independent living, with employment while others will be working towards semi-independent living and others will be in supported living. The Steps4Life covers a wide range of areas and a wide ability range, it includes 7 levels that are the equivalent of P1 to P8 which replace the old Milestones, Entry Levels 1, 2 and 3 and RQF Level 1 and 2.

Academic Skills

English, Maths, PSD (including Sex & Relationships) and Digital Skills

Life Skills

Food, Self-Care, Independence, Travel

Employability Skills

Choosing a Job, Getting a Job, Rights, Workplace Skills and Workplace Routines

Communication & Interaction

Communication & Interaction is our new framework for individuals with SEND who need support with their communication and interaction. The framework is designed to support all pupils with SEND and will help schools breakdown larger targets into smaller steps so they can demonstrate progress. The framework also promotes closer relationships between schools and Speech and Language Therapists (SALT) The framework covers from birth to a typical development range of a 15 year old.

Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH)

We are currently developing this framework, this is planned for release in early 2021

Sensory and Physical

Once we have completed development of the SEMH framework, we will start development on the Sensory and Physical framework

Autism Progress

We recognised a need for an assessment tool which could be used by all to assess the impact of a person's autism. Using autism descriptors already created by B Squared, the developers at Autism Progress have created a set of progressive levels in the following areas of autism—Communication, Flexibility of Thought, Social Interaction, Emotional Regulation

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