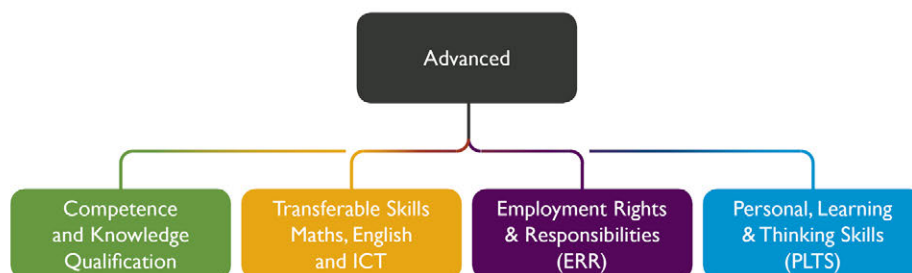# GP STRATEGIES®

Playwork

About the industry

This industry is ideal for those who love having fun with children and enjoy being active. Playworkers plan, organise and take part in play and leisure activities for 4 to 16 year olds. With a vast array of places to work such as breakfast clubs, after school clubs, mobile play buses and holiday play schemes.

What you will learn

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│ Qualification││ Maths,English││ & Responsib- ││ & Thinking   │
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Level 3 Diploma in Playwork

There are no specific entry requirements other than meeting the Apprenticeship eligibility conditions.

Group A - mandatory units

- Understand how to safeguard the wellbeing of children and young people
- Understand how to support positive outcomes for children and young people
- Understand children and young people's self-directed play
- Understand the organisational framework for play
- Understand relationships in the play environment
- Understand health, safety and security in the play environment
- Understand how to plan for and support children and young peoples self-directed play
- Contribute to an organisational framework that reflects the needs and protects the rights of children and young people
- Develop and maintain a healthy, safe and secure play environment for children and young people
- Develop and promote positive relationships in a play environment
- Plan for and support children and young people's self-directed play
- Understand playwork principles
- Engage in personal development in health, social care or children's and young people's settings

Group B - sample of optional units

- Work with colleagues in a playwork team
- Engage with parents, carers and families in a play environment
- Administer playwork provision
- Inclusive play, working with disabled children and young people
- Promote own organisation in the community
- Contribute to evaluating, developing and promoting services
- Organise and supervise travel
- Manage a budget
- Recruit, select and keep colleagues
- Provide learning opportunities for colleagues

Progression opportunities

Playworker assistant
Community playworker
Holiday club playworker
Breakfast club playworker
After-school playworker

PROGRESSION

Play & youth team worker
Early years worker
Outreach worker
Family support worker
Senior playworker or team leader

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