



National Research and Development Centre
for adult literacy and numeracy

NRDC Embedded Research Phase 2

LEARNER QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you for agreeing to answer some questions about your training course. This will help us to find out how useful and interesting the programme was for you. It will also tell us what you like and do not like about the course.

Please read the questions carefully before answering.

If you think that a question does not apply to you, then please leave it blank and move on to the next one.

Thanks very much for your help.

Name _____

What is your first language? _____

Name of institution _____

Name of course _____

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English/Communication skills

In this questionnaire we use 'English/Communication skills' to include speaking, listening, reading and writing in English, Key Skills Communication, and Literacy in *all* parts of your training course.

1. How important is good English for the job you want to do? (Tell us what you think **now**.)

(PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
not important		quite important			very important

2. **Has your opinion changed?** Think about **before** you came on the course. At that time how important **did** you think English was for the job you want to do?

(PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
not important		quite important			very important

3. **Before** you came on the course, how much English/Communication Skills did you expect to be included in your training course? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

none	1
a little	2
quite a bit	3
a lot	4

4. How important has it been for **you** to improve your English/Communication skill to succeed in your vocational qualification? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
not important		quite important			very important

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5. Working on English/Communication Skills has helped me with my vocational course (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
strongly disagree					strongly agree

6. How much time have you spent on English/Communications Skills on your training course? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

none	1
a little	2
quite a bit	3
a lot	4

7. Does your vocational teacher help you with English/Communication Skills? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

never	1
not very often	2
quite a lot	3
often	4

8. Does your English/Communications teacher sometimes work in the class with the vocational teacher? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

never	1
not very often	2
quite a lot	3
often	4

Maths

This questionnaire uses 'Maths' to include maths, Key Skills Application of Number and numeracy in all parts of your training course.

9. How important is good maths for the job you want to do? (Tell us what you think **now**.)

(PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
not		quite			very
important		important			important

10. **Has your opinion changed?** Think about **before** you came on the course. At that time how important **did** you think maths was for the job you want to do?

(PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
not		quite			very
important		important			important

11. Before you came on the course, how much time did you **expect** to spend on maths in your training course? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

none	1
a little	2
quite a bit	3
a lot	4

12. How important has it been for **you** to improve your maths to succeed in your vocational qualification? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
not		quite			very
important		important			important

13. Working on maths has helped me with my vocational course (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
strongly disagree					strongly agree

14. How much time have you spent on maths on your training course? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

none	1
a little	2
quite a bit	3
a lot	4

15. Does your vocational teacher help you with maths? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

never	1
not very often	2
quite a lot	3
often	4

16. Does your maths teacher sometimes work in the class with the vocational teacher? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

never	1
not very often	2
quite a lot	3
often	4

Attending classes

Think about all the classes you attend at college

17. How many of the classes did you attend so far this year? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

- | | |
|--------------|---|
| all of them | 1 |
| most of them | 2 |
| some of them | 3 |
| only a few | 4 |

18. If you missed classes, what were the reasons? (MARK THE NUMBERS FOR ALL THAT APPLY)

- | | |
|---|---|
| the day or the time was not easy for me | 1 |
| I had family or personal jobs to do | 2 |
| the course was not interesting | 3 |
| the course was not what I expected | 4 |
| I did not like the way of teaching | 5 |
| the course was too easy | 6 |
| the course was too hard | 7 |
| I had health problems | 8 |
| other reason (please write this) | 9 |

Your opinions about the whole training course

19. How well has the course prepared you for taking your vocational qualification (eg NVQ)? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

- | | |
|------------|---|
| not at all | 1 |
| a little | 2 |
| quite well | 3 |
| a lot | 4 |

20. How well has the course prepared you for your work in the future? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

not at all	1
a little	2
quite well	3
A lot	4


21. The course was:

Harder than I expected	1	(PLEASE MARK ONE ONLY)
Just as hard as I expected	2	
Easier than I expected	3	

22. The course was:

Less useful than I expected	1	(PLEASE MARK ONE ONLY)
Just as useful as I expected	2	
More useful than I expected	3	

23. What did you think of the course overall? (PLEASE MARK ONE NUMBER)

1	2	3	4	5	6
					

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