

Functional Skills ICT – Scheme of Work

This scheme of work comes with 22 lesson plans and accompanying digital resources. They have developed to be used in conjunction with free Functional Skills Study Modules as part of a programme of study for ICT.

The Study Modules aim to help learners acquire the skills that are outlined in the Edexcel specification for Functional Skills ICT, Levels 1 & 2.

The structure of Study Modules and lessons

Topics have been organised in a logical order, which does not always reflect the sequence in which they appear in the specification. The standards covered are given at the start of each Study Module and lesson.

It is expected that teachers will organise their teaching sessions according to the needs, level of experience and interest of their learners, and the contexts in which they are working.

These materials work in conjunction with the [Complete Delivery Guide](#) to the Edexcel specification.

Module No	Module Title	Number of Lessons
1	Making the most of your computer	1
2	Managing information	2
3	Finding and selecting information	2
4	Working with structured data	3
5	Working with numbers and charts	3
6	Working with text and images	3
7	Combining and presenting information	6
8	Using ICT to communicate	2
	Total:	22

Level differentiation

These materials are for learners working at Levels 1 and 2.

The basis of the design of the materials is that, as in the specification, differentiation will be as much by outcome as by activity. The other key level differentiators - complexity, familiarity, technical demand and independence - are reflected in the tasks, which are designed to show the progression that is a feature of the standards:

	At Level 1, learners would be expected to:	At Level 2, learners would be expected to:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identify the ICT requirements needed to solve a straightforward task and apply their knowledge and understanding to produce an appropriate solution (complexity) • apply their knowledge and skills within a non-routine but familiar context (familiarity) • apply a range of techniques in a number of applications to produce an appropriate outcome (technical demand) • solve problems that are essentially instructor/ tutor guided, demonstrating the confidence to make informed choices and knowing when to seek guidance (independence) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analyse multi-step tasks and separate the components, identifying the relevant ICT requirements and applying their knowledge and understanding to produce an appropriate solution (complexity) • apply their knowledge, skills and understanding within non-routine and non-familiar contexts (familiarity) • demonstrate the application of a wide range of techniques across several applications to produce an appropriate outcome (technical demand) • solve problems independently, overcoming challenges to produce successful outcomes (independence) 	

A note on resources and providing a safe working environment for learners

Any suggestion for software to be used with activities is not meant to be exclusive. It is understood that different centres will have different resources.

Teachers can adapt activities so that they can be used with the resources that are available to them.

Assumptions

- Students have some experience of using ICT, in particular word processing, spreadsheets and presentation software.
- Lessons are 60 minutes long
- Students have access to computers outside timetabled lessons
- Students have access to the internet.

Lesson	Objectives In this lesson students will learn how to:	Activities and Outcomes At the end of the lesson students will be able to:	Resources	Specification Coverage	
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • customise computer settings to increase their own efficiency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • personalise the desktop • adjust system settings • resolve straightforward problems 	Study Module 1: Making the most of your computer SAM and Mark Scheme Digital images: L1.1-PC-in-the-box L1.2-PC-out-of-the-box L1.3-PC-effective-settings L1.4-Mark-Scheme-Lesson1 Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 1	Level 1: 2.1 - 2.3	Level 2: 2.1 - 2.4
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • manage information storage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • create and work with files and folders • build appropriate folder structures • control access to files 	Study Module 2: Managing Information SAM and Mark Scheme Digital images: L2.1-Filing-systems L2.2-Files-in-folders L2.3-File-security L2.4-Mark-Scheme-Lesson2 L2.5-Storage-uncompressed Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 2	Level 1: 3.1 4.1 - 4.2	Level 2: 3.1 5.2

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3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • manage storage areas • work safely and securely 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • select appropriate storage areas • check available free storage space • compress files into a folder • take action against loss of information in files and folders 	Study Module 2: Managing Information SAM and Mark Scheme Memory Stick Digital images: L3.1-Storage-outdoor-indoor L3.2-Storage-different-kinds L3.3-Storage-full L3.4-Storage-uncompressed L3.5-Storage-compressed L3.6- Storage-external-insecure- Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 3	Level 1: 3.1 4.1, 4.2	Level 2: 3.1 5.2

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4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> find and select reliable information appropriate for purpose and audience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify the information requirements and audience of a task construct efficient searches evaluate websites 	Study Module 3: Finding and selecting information SAM and Mark scheme Digital images: L4.1-Road-layout L4.2-Real-road-junction L4.3-Rail-crossing-audio L4.4-Give-Way-text L4.5-Give-Way-sign L4.6-Lesson4-Objectives L4.7-Fit-for-purpose L4.8-Copyright-not-right-to-copy Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 4	Level 1: 2.1 5.1 6.1	Level 2: 2.1 4.1 5.1 - 5.2
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> manage and acknowledge information selected for use in own work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> save information appropriately acknowledge sources and information they use evidence how they manage information saved from the internet 	Study Module 3: Finding and selecting information SAM and Mark scheme Digital images: L4.8-Copyright-not-right-to-copy L5.1-Copyright-protected L5.2-Task1-Task3 Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 5	Level 1: 2.1 5.1 6.1	Level 2: 2.1 4.1 5.1 - 5.2

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6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> structure and present data in a table 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> build a data table enter meaningful field names work with different types of data format data sort data in different ways 	Study Module 4: Working with structured data SAM and Mark Scheme Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan	2.1 5.1 7.1 8.3 - 8.4	2.1 4.1 6.1 7.3 - 7.4
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> search structured data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> use Find to locate data set and customise Filters (AutoFilter) use Filters on single and multiple columns 	Study Module 4: Working with structured data SAM and Mark Scheme Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 7	2.1 5.1 7.1 8.3 - 8.4	2.1 4.1 6.1 7.3 - 7.4
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> present information to meet requirements validate data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> enter and format numeric data perform calculations using data in two fields use a drop-down list for data-entry produce print-outs to meet requirements 	Study Module 4: Working with structured data SAM and Mark Scheme Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 8	2.1 5.1 7.1 8.3 - 8.4	2.1 4.1 6.1 7.3 - 7.4

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9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> select and apply appropriate formats carry out calculations with relative and absolute references 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> display numbers and text in appropriate formats enter formulas using (+, -, *, /) use functions SUM, AVERAGE, COUNT, MAX and MIN use absolute cell references 	Study Module 5: Working with numbers and charts SAM and Mark Scheme Digital images: L9.1-100-Display L9.2-100-Display-Format L9.3-100-DataEntry-Display-Format L9.4-10x10-text-number L9.5-10x10-results L9.6-10x10-warning L9.7-10x10-comment Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 9	Level 1: 2.1 7.1 8.1 - 8.2	Level 2: 2.1 6.1 7.1 - 7.2
10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> work with conditions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> use the IF Function apply conditional formatting 	Study Module 5: Working with numbers and charts SAM and Mark Scheme Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 10	Level 1: 2.1 7.1 8.1 - 8.2	Level 2: 2.1 6.1 7.1 - 7.2
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> display numerical data in graphical form 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> select and create appropriate charts and graphs label graphs / charts to aid understanding produce print-outs to meet requirements 	Study Module 5: Working with numbers and charts SAM and Mark Scheme Digital images: L11.1-Bar-Chart-no-info Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 11	Level 1: 2.1 7.1 8.1 - 8.2	Level 2: 2.1 6.1 7.1 - 7.2

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12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> select and format text to meet requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> select and prepare text for publications apply appropriate formatting apply bullets and numbering to lists produce print-outs to meet requirements 	Study Module 6: Working with text and images SAM and Mark Scheme Digital images: L4.7-Fit-for-purpose L12.1-Bullets-Numbering Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 12	2.1 7.1	2.1 6.1
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> display information in a table 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> create a table in a text document format it to aid understanding produce print-outs to meet requirements 	Study Module 6: Working with text and images SAM and Mark Scheme Digital images: L13.1-Tables-previous L13.2-Table-menu L13.3-Table-properties Text file: Lesson 13 Homework text for table Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 13	2.1 7.1	2.1 6.1

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14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> format and integrate images to meet requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> select appropriate formatting tools to edit images add features to images combine text and images to produce print-outs that meet requirements 	Study Module 6: Working with text and images SAM and Mark Scheme Digital images: L3.5-Storage-compressed L14.1-Picture-4-versions L14.2-Picture-version4 L14.3-Text-images L14.4-Which-software L14.5-View-Toolbars-Picture L14.6-Picture-icons L14.7-Image-plus Text file: San-Francisco-Diary Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 14	2.1 7.1	2.1 6.1
15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify features of effective publications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identify purposes, target audiences and features of type of publications map out page layouts describe text styles 	Study Module 7: Combining and presenting information SAM and Mark Scheme Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 15	1.1 2.1 10.1 10.2 11.1	1.1 2.1 9.1 9.2 10.1

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16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plan a publication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • analyse requirements • match types of publications to requirements • rank information for specific publications • set success criteria for publications • review effectiveness of layouts 	Study Module 7: Combining and presenting information SAM and Mark Scheme Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan	Level 1: 1.1 2.1 10.1 10.2 11.1	Level 2: 1.1 2.1 9.1 9.2 10.1

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Double Lesson 17-18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> plan and carry out the production of a paper-based publication apply a mark scheme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> optimise computer settings and interface features for the task in-hand manage the storage of information needed for a publication select and combine appropriate types of information select page designs and layouts that are fit for purpose and audience select and use appropriate language and formatting review own work and ways of working check for accuracy, meaning and fitness for purpose minimise risks of losing the publication use a mark scheme to assess own and somebody else’s work draw up a personal improvement plan 	Study Module 7: Combining and presenting information SAM and Mark Scheme Digital images: L18.1-Mark-Scheme-Categories1 L18.2-Mark-Scheme-Categories2 L18.3-Bear1-for-your-text L18.4-Bear2-for-your-text L18.5-Bear3-for-your-text L18.6-group-of-bears L18.7-2bears-standing L18.8-2bears-sitting1 L18.9-2bears-sitting2 L18.10-bear1 L18.11-bear2 L18.12-bear3 L18.13-bear4 Text file: L18-Mark-Scheme-poster Key vocabulary see Lesson Plans 17 - 18	Level 1: 1.1 2.1 10.1 10.2 11.1	Level 2: 1.1 2.1 9.1 9.2 10.1

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Double Lesson 19-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plan and carry out the production of a screen-based publication • apply a mark scheme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • optimise computer settings and interface features for the task in-hand • manage the storage of information needed for a publication • select and combine appropriate types of information • select slide designs and layouts fit for purpose and audience • select and use appropriate language and formatting • apply suitable actions, animations and transitions • review own work and ways of working • check for accuracy, meaning and fitness for purpose • minimise risks of losing the publication • use a mark scheme to assess own and somebody else's work • draw up a personal improvement plan <p>time permitting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • give a presentation 	<p>Study Module 7: Combining and presenting information</p> <p>SAM and Mark Scheme</p> <p>Digital images: L19.1-5slides</p> <p>Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan</p>	<p>Level 1:</p> <p>1.1</p> <p>2.1</p> <p>10.1</p> <p>10.2</p> <p>11.1</p>	<p>Level 2:</p> <p>1.1</p> <p>2.1</p> <p>9.1</p> <p>9.2</p> <p>10.1</p>

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21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use email effectively and appropriately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • send emails fir for purpose and audience • follow email etiquette to respect others • stay safe online • carry out email housekeeping 	Study Module 8: Using ICT to communicate SAM and Mark Scheme Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 21	2.1 9.1 9.2	2.1 8.1 8.2
22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • use ICT to collaborate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • select ICT tools to collaborate with people in different locations • minimise risks to information in online environments • take appropriate steps to stay safe 	Study Module 8: Using ICT to communicate SAM and Mark Scheme Key vocabulary see Lesson Plan 22	2.1 9.1 9.2	2.1 8.1 8.2