Essential Digital Skills | Lesson Starter Quizzes

During the Festival of Functionality Keynote Address, Jonathan Kay spoke of an idea for lesson starter quizzes that could form part of ongoing formative feedback on progression. Working with this idea, Pearson has created two quizzes, one Entry Level EDSQ and one for Level 1 EDSQ.

The basic principle of the idea is that each lesson the learners are given a quiz at the start that looks at elements of the content of the qualification. This is in the form of a grid of six questions. Over time, these quizzes form an ideal revision template for the learners and provides the tutor with easy to access feedback on areas of strength and weakness. The quiz is a perfect starter activity with groups and can be self-marked or grouped marked by the learners. It can also be used as a plenary activity too. Ideally this activity should take about five minutes. For this to be truly effective, each quiz should follow the same format with questions of a similar topic always being in the same place. To help with this, Pearson has created two templates.

Quiz Template

Below we have a template for Entry Level and Level 1 EDSQ. This covers the full content range in questions 1 – 5. To finish the learners then have a quick search task they can do online using any device. Obviously, you can create your own questions based on learners' needs and differentiate the questions by level.

1: Using Devices and Handling Information	2. Creating and Editing	3. Communicating
4. Transacting	5. Being Safe and Responsible Online	Quick search task

Resources

You can find copies of the quizzes and templates here:

- **EDSQ quiz template**
- **Entry Level EDSQ quiz**
- **Level 1 EDSQ quiz**