

Lesson Plan NQF3

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Theme: **National Qualifications Framework**

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Objective

To understand the range of qualifications available and to know what level of learning they represent on the National Qualification Framework.

Pre-learning

Survey any three adults to ask about their qualifications. Were these required for entry to occupations?

Activity

Print out all the 13 case studies from your geographical area.

Distribute a relevant case study to pairs of students, as appropriate.

Ask students to plot the qualifications on the qualifications pathways map worksheet showing the type of qualification and its correct level.

Discuss other ways to arrive at the same place.

Is there scope for further progression?

If time allows, ask students to swap case studies.

Post-learning / Self study

Go to www.direct.gov.uk → 'Education and Learning → University and Higher Education and use the menu to prepare a short report on the benefits of Higher Education.

Curriculum mapping

Careers Education and Guidance(CEG) National Framework:

Career exploration:

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the options open to them including opportunities provided through vocational options.

Resources

(click link to open)

- **[Handout - Case Studies](#)**
- **[Handout NQF3 Qualifications Framework](#)**
- **[Worksheet NQF3 Qualifications Pathways Map](#)**

Handout NQF3

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NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK				
LEVELS	KEY SKILLS and 'Other'	VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS Work-related	VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS Work-based	ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS
Level 8		BTEC Advanced Professional Diploma		Doctorate (PHD)
Level 7		BTEC Advanced Professional Diploma		Masters Degree Postgraduate Certificates and Diplomas
Level 6				Honours Degrees
Level 5		BTEC HND (Higher National Diploma)	NVQ 5 Foundation Degrees	Intermediate Diplomas of Higher Education and Further Education
Level 4		BTEC Professional Diplomas	NVQ 4	
Level 3	Advanced Diploma Progression Diploma Key Skills Level 3	BTEC National Diploma	NVQ 3 Advanced Apprenticeship Framework	A Levels Applied A Levels
Level 2	Higher Diploma Key Skills Level 2	BTEC First Diploma	NVQ 2 Apprenticeship Framework	GCSE Grades A*-C
Level 1	Foundation Diploma Key Skills Level 1		NVQ 1 Young Apprenticeship Framework	GCSE Grades D-G

Worksheet NQF3

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QUALIFICATIONS PATHWAYS MAP

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Level 8				
Level 7				
Level 6				
Level 5				
Level 4				
Level 3				
Level 2				
Level 1				