

# Child Development BTEC Award

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### Q: What will I learn on this course?

A: During the two year course, you will develop your knowledge and technical skills in:

- the characteristics of children's development from birth up to five years
- factors that affect growth and development
- the importance of play
- how play promotes children's learning and development
- reasons why children may need support
- child-friendly environments to support play, learning and development in children from birth to five years old
- supporting all children to learn and develop physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially, and adapting activities to support children's play, learning and development

### Q: How is the course assessed?

A: The course is split into three key inter-related units. These give you the opportunity to develop broad knowledge and understanding of children's learning and development, and the importance of play.

Units 1 and 2 are assessed through internal coursework assessments, designed to promote learning by making connections between knowledge, skills and practice. These contribute 60% to the final grade.

Unit 3 is assessed through a single external assessment. This builds directly on Units 1 and 2, bringing learning together and applying it to realistic contexts. It makes up 40% of the final grade.

Exam board specification: <https://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/btec-tec-awards/child-development/2017/specification-and-sample-assessments/SPEC-TA-Child-Development.pdf>

Sample assessment material (Unit 3 external exam):

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