

Discover the Benefits of Skills for Life Training

If you think your organisation isn't affected by poor Skills for Life (communication and maths skills), then think again...

Government research shows that, in the South West, **55%** of adults do not have the written and spoken communication skills needed to function effectively at work, and **77%** do not have maths skills at a level needed by today's businesses.

So there's every chance this affects **your** business too...

You need employees who can:

- follow spoken or written instructions
- understand health and safety or food hygiene guidance
- communicate well – with customers and between teams
- record data accurately to ensure orders are dispatched correctly
- complete incident or production reports effectively to assure quality
- calculate accurately on the shop floor or in the office to avoid costly mistakes.

Organisations that have taken part in Skills for Life training have reported the following results:

- better productivity and performance
- higher rates of achievement in vocational training
- improved customer satisfaction
- better staff retention
- less wastage
- better health and safety
- better ability to cope with change
- improved capacity to take on new responsibilities
- better staff morale and team working
- improved aptitude to use new technology.

Sound good to you?

Training and support

If you think that your employees might need to improve their spoken and written communication skills and basic maths, Business Link Brokers are able to advise on the selection of a local training provider to work with you and find available funding.

The broker and provider will then suggest ways you can identify employees' literacy, language and numeracy development needs, agree a tailored training package, and review the progress you are making.

What is the next step?

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