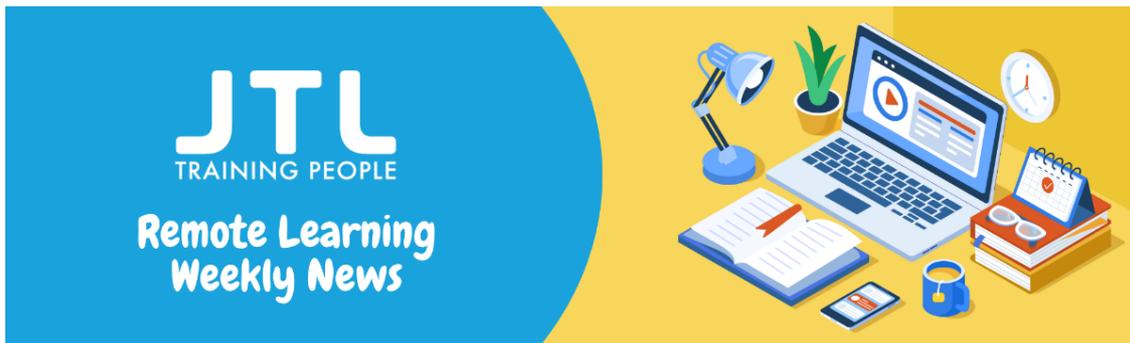


JTL Remote Learning Weekly News
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Hello <<First Name>>>,

Welcome to this week's newsletter which features video guidance on how to stay safe when completing emergency work in domestic settings, feedback from JTL Centre learners following our 'Google Classroom' survey, remote learning tips for all learners, and a reminder about how to behave during online tutoring sessions. We've also included more guidance on Functional Skills Tests for learners who have yet to complete them.

If there's anything else you'd like to see in your weekly newsletter then please email info@jtltraining.com to let us know.

We hope you have a productive week of learning!

This week's updates

Working safely in domestic settings during Covid-19



Take time to watch this new short [safety video](#) released by ECA, NICEIC and ELECSA for householders, electrical and other engineering contractors.

Based on UK government and Public Health England guidelines, the video outlines the key steps which contractors should follow to ensure essential domestic work can be undertaken safely during the current pandemic.

traditional 'contractors cup of tea'.

The video also provides simple complementary advice for householders to follow, to help protect everyone involved from the spread of Coronavirus.

'Google Classroom' survey feedback

If you attend a JTL Centre for your course you should now be actively engaging in your learning via Google Classroom. We have conducted a survey recently with all JTL Centre learners to see how this working for them and we have received over 300 responses! So if you completed the survey thank you for taking the time to do this. We really value your feedback because it helps us to shape and improve our remote learning plan.

It is great to hear that:

- You are all continuing to study remotely despite a significant number of you being furloughed.
- 85% of you are enjoying using Google Classroom, describing it as easily accessible, convenient, and very easy to use. The platform has received 165 five-star reviews from yourselves.
- 87% of you are in weekly contact with your tutors asking for further support, or receiving feedback, or even taking part in online delivery sessions.
- 85% of you have received valuable feedback from your tutors on work you have submitted.
- More than half of you have already participated in an online delivery, or 1:1 support session.

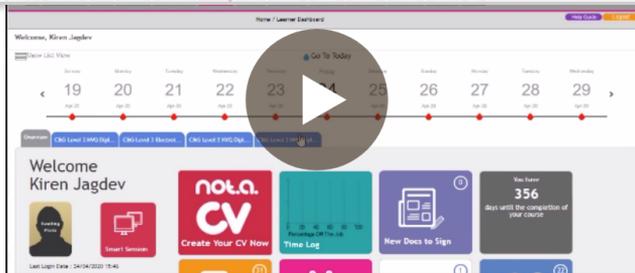
We will continue to monitor the results and would welcome any further feedback you can give us on our remote learning platforms, so please get in touch via your tutor if there's something you'd like to see.

Remote learning guidance

As moving from classroom learning to learning remotely is a big change we have put together a brief guide [Remote Learning Tips for Learners](#) to help you adjust to the new circumstances.

Also, please familiarise yourself with our [Learner Behaviour Policy](#), so you know what behaviour is expected of you by your tutors during online sessions.

For all JTL learners, (including those who attend a college/other training provider) you should have started to access resources for your course via Smart Assessor. If you haven't already, [watch this short video](#) which shows you how to access these resources. Of course, remember you still have your textbooks to work from too.



Have you thought of using a **Smart TV or games console** to access a web browser so you can get onto the internet? To find out how to do this, refer to our [helpful guide](#).



If you have any issues, concerns or you just need to speak to somebody, please contact your Training Officer.

Functional Skills - maths and English

You may have heard due to the current Covid-19 crisis that GCSE and A level exams have been cancelled this summer, and students will be receiving 'teacher assessed' grades instead. This will also be the same for Functional Skills tests. So, if you were due to take your Functional Skills test this summer, you will not be expected to take your test but you will receive an 'estimated grade'. This will be based on the work you have completed towards preparing for the test. You will need to have completed enough work to prove that if you were to take your Functional Skills test, you would pass.

Therefore, if you still have your Functional Skills test to do, you must continue to complete the learning activities on bksb. If you do not complete your maths and English work, this could prevent you from achieving your full apprenticeship qualification. If you are still unsure about how to use bksb, refer to the [step by step guide](#).

Remote Learning for Maths and English



The bksb online teaching and learning resource will allow you to continue to practice and improve your maths and English skills. You can access the system from a desktop, tablet or a mobile phone.

To access JTL's bksb site, click on the link below:
<https://jtltraining.bksblive2.co.uk>

If you have forgotten your log in details, click on 'forgotten details?', enter your email address and you will be emailed your log in details.

For any other issues with your bksb account, please email ExternalSupportTeam@jtraining.com or call 0800 085 2308



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Over the coming weeks and months, a Functional Skills Trainer will be in touch with you (by phone, text or email) to inform you of what work you need to complete. Make sure you respond to let them know you are able to complete the work. If you are not available, still let them know. The Functional Skills Trainer may also arrange a learning session with you. This may take 15 minutes to an hour depending on your requirements. However, if you require a longer session, then please let your Functional Skills Trainer know. This may be done on the phone or through Smart Assessor using Zoom.

You will also need to complete a Functional Skills practice assessment test. Refer to [this guide](#) on how to access the sample assessments.

The screenshot shows a webpage titled "Accessing Functional Skills Sample Tests" with the JTL Training People logo. Below the title, it says "Working through the sample tests, will better prepare you for your Functional Skills test. Any questions please contact your Training Officer or Functional Skills Trainer." The main content area has a blue header with the text: "Click on the link below to access Functional Skills level 2 sample tests on the City and Guilds website: <https://www.cityandguilds.com/qualifications-and-apprenticeships/skills-for-work-and-life/english-mathematics-and-ict-skills/4748-functional-skills/sample-information@acclevel2>". Below this is a navigation menu with "Home", "Solutions", "Skills/Qualifications", "Case Studies/Success Stories", and "Training/HR". The main content area is titled "Functional Skills (4748)" and includes a "Description" section with text about the qualification and a "Key features" section with a list of bullet points. There is also a "Key features" section with a list of bullet points.

If you are a learner in Wales the same applies. However, you will need to continue to work through the WEST system. For further guidance on this, please contact your Training Officer. You can also view Essential Skills Wales sample assessments using the link below:

Essential Skills Wales Sample Assessments

Any concerns or further questions on this, please contact your Training Officer.

Additional support

If you have an additional learning need and feel that you need further support with your learning, please email learnersupport@jtltraining.com or speak to your Training Officer.

Don't forget to take a look at the range of helpful advice and guidance on the JTL website to support you as a JTL learner during the Covid-19 crisis. Simply click the blue button below and you can gain access to information including advice on protecting your mental health and wellbeing, cyber security awareness as well as FAQs if you are concerned about how the pandemic is affecting your apprenticeship.

[Advice for JTL learners](#)

That's all for this week. If you have any general questions or concerns about your learning please contact your Training Officer or call JTL's customer services team on **0800 085 2308**. You can also email info@jtltraining.com

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