

Qualification title:	OCR Level 1 Cambridge Certificate in Mathematics (QCF)		
Qualification number:	600/7777/3	Credit value:	13
An overview of this qualification	• This is a bite-sized stepping stone qualification which will allow you to progress to the next level of mathematics by developing underpinning mathematical skills in those areas where you may have skills gaps. • Studying this qualification, you will have a free choice of a variety of unit-sized awards, which in combination will form your Certificate. The rules of combination can be found in the qualification handbook. No unit is 'mandatory', but 13 credits are required, 7 of which must be at Level 1 • Level 1 Unit awards to choose from include: ○ Calculations, ratio and direct proportion ○ Fractions, decimals and percentages ○ Handling data and probability ○ Shape and space ○ Money ○ Measurement and time • You can also use units from higher and lower levels to form your Level 1 Certificate, subject to certain rules detailed in the qualification handbook • All units are tested by a short exam, which can be taken paper-based or online. This will test how much specific knowledge in this particular subject area you have acquired		
Entry requirements	There are no specific entry requirements for this qualification		
Age restrictions	This qualification has no age restrictions		
Is this qualification right for me?	This qualification may be right for you if you need to improve your knowledge and skills in particular areas of mathematics. This may be purely to enable you to function more effectively at home, in the community or at work, or it may be a 'stepping stone' to further mathematics study at a higher level. This qualification may be right for you if you: • are looking to build up specific mathematical skills to enable you later to study for GCSE or Functional Skills in Mathematics • have struggled with maths skills previously, and would benefit from a focused qualification, taken in bite-size chunks • are looking to enhance your mathematical skills to help you at work or with employment prospects		

This Level 1 Certificate forms part of a suite of Cambridge Progression qualifications in mathematics, all made up of a combination of unit-sized Awards of your choice, subject to the published rules of combination.

Level	Size	GLH	Credit value
Entry 1	Award	10-20	1-2
	Extended Award	50	5
	Certificate	130	13
Entry 2	Award	20-30	2-3
	Extended Award	50	5
	Certificate	130	13
Entry 3	Award	10-30	1-3
	Extended Award	50	5
	Certificate	130	13
Level 1	Award	10-50	1-5
	Extended Award	50	5
	Certificate	130	13
Level 2	Award	30-40	3-4
	Extended Award	60	6
	Certificate	130	13

This specific size and level of this qualification may be right for you if you:

- are looking to consolidate learning from various areas of mathematics into a more substantial qualification of this size (130 guided learning hours (glh) / 13 credits)
- have achieved a mathematics qualification at Entry 3 and are looking to progress to the next level
- are looking to build up your skills to a level where you can progress to qualifications at Level 2 or beyond in Mathematics, including GCSE or Functional Skills.

How could I progress from this qualification?	• The primary outcome of this qualification is to progress to the next level(s) of Mathematics, e.g.: ○ Level 2 Cambridge Certificate in Mathematics ○ GCSE Mathematics ○ L1 and L2 Functional Skills in Mathematics • Through studying a combination of bite-sized units, which focus on building blocks of specific skill areas, you will form a foundation of skills to be able to tackle mathematics qualifications which require you to apply and/or combine these different skill areas. For example GCSE or Functional Skills assessment may require you to combine skills in fractions, whole number calculations and handling data within the same problem. This qualification will allow you to understand each of those topics in isolation before you move on to tackle more complex problems • Other outcomes of this qualification include helping you to: ○ overcome barriers to entering work by building fundamental mathematical skills needed for example when handling money, dealing with customers and suppliers ○ operate independently and effectively in your home and in your community, for example number skills will help with budgeting and purchases ○ re-engage with learning if for any reason you were not able to engage with the study of mathematics previously.
Support	This qualification is supported by: • Joseph Chamberlain Sixth Form College • LESOCO • Leicester Adult Skills and Learning Service.
Further information	To find out more about the OCR Entry Level Cambridge Certificate in Mathematics (Level 1) (QCF), please refer to the Centre Handbook available on the OCR website: http://www.ocr.org.uk/Images/127625-centre-handbook.pdf For more information generally on the Cambridge Progression suite of qualifications in Mathematics, please refer to the qualification webpage: http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/cambridge-progression-ocr-cambridge-award-certificate-in-mathematics-entry-level-1-3-and-level-1-and-2/ If you have any other queries please contact: vocational.qualifications@ocr.org.uk
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	Our general and vocational qualifications equip learners with the knowledge and skills they need for their future, helping them achieve their full potential.
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