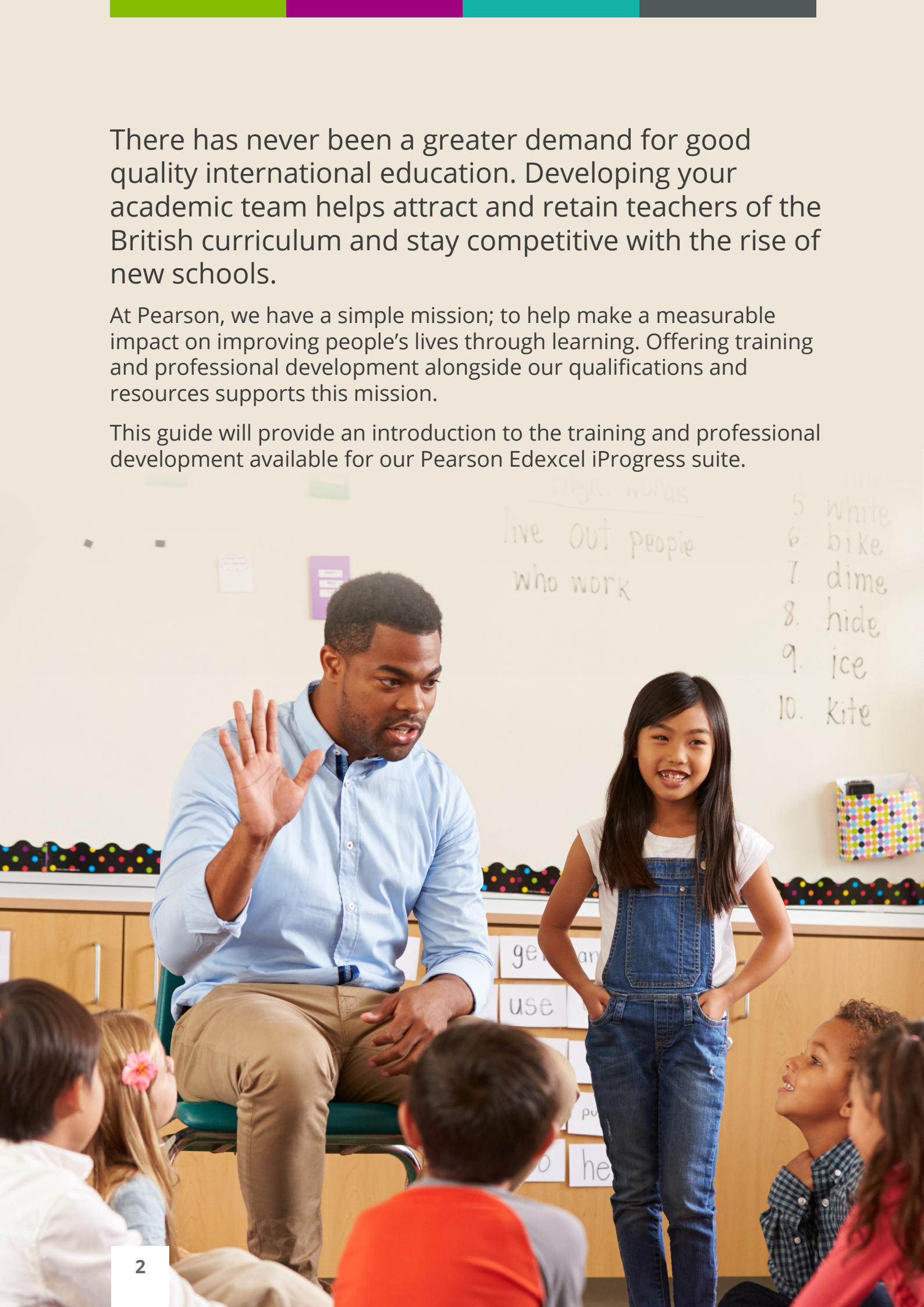




# Training and Professional Development for International - Introductory Guide





There has never been a greater demand for good quality international education. Developing your academic team helps attract and retain teachers of the British curriculum and stay competitive with the rise of new schools.

At Pearson, we have a simple mission; to help make a measurable impact on improving people’s lives through learning. Offering training and professional development alongside our qualifications and resources supports this mission.

This guide will provide an introduction to the training and professional development available for our Pearson Edexcel iProgress suite.

# Pearson Edexcel iProgress

iProgress is our complete series for 5 to 19 year-olds, for international schools. The iProgress family includes iPrimary, iLowerSecondary, International GCSE (IG), GCSE, International Advanced level (IAL), and GCE A Level, and delivers a consistent learning journey for students and teachers, everywhere in the world.

iPrimary	iLowerSecondary	International GCSE and GCSE	International AS/ Advanced Level (IAL) and GCE A Level
Ages 5-11	Ages 11-14	Ages 14-16	Ages 16-19
Computing, English, Maths and Science	Computing, English, Maths and Science	Available in 37 subjects (50 for GCSE)	Available in 21 subjects (52 for GCE A Level)
Linear structure with external exams at the end of year 6	Linear structure with external exams at the end of year 9	International GCSE: Linear structure with all exams available in June and many subjects available in January  GCSE: Linear structure with exams available in June	IAL: Modular structure with exams in January, June and October for most subjects.  GCE A level: linear structure with exams in June
Full range of curriculum support resources, tools and services including training, professional development, print and online teaching materials.			

## More than just a curriculum or qualification

iProgress offers professional development and training that keeps teachers up-to-date with the latest educational practices, supporting materials that make planning and teaching lessons easier, and student books and online resources to make learning engaging, so you'll have more time to focus on the development of your students' progress.



# iPrimary and iLowerSecondary

Our three day face-to-face professional development programme has been designed to fully equip teachers with an understanding of the components of iPrimary and iLowerSecondary (iPLS), as well as key teaching and learning strategies to help them implement the curriculum effectively and confidently in their classrooms.

Our professional development programme is divided into modular sessions that provide three different areas of support:

MODULE 1

iPLS Orientation

These sessions provide information and hands-on practice using different elements of the programme. They include an exploration of iPLS assessments and orientation to two online learning platforms, ActiveLearn Primary (ALP) and ActiveLearn Digital Service (ALDS).

MODULE 2

Model Lessons

On each of the three days, teachers will participate in sample lessons taken directly from the new curriculum. Each day will highlight a different subject area and teachers will have opportunities to discuss and analyse the lessons together with their facilitator.

MODULE 3

Teaching and Learning Strategies

Teachers will also engage with key teaching and learning strategies for the following:

- > **Active Learning:** strategies that focus on student-centred activities that allow students to construct knowledge and meaning
- > **Formative assessment:** Strategies for assessing during the learning process and using this to inform teaching
- > **Critical Thinking:** strategies for promoting students’ critical thinking skills, such as evaluating, comparing and questioning.

Teachers will learn and practise a variety of strategies that they will be able to apply directly to their classrooms. Additional teaching and learning strategies will be offered in future to further build classroom skills.



COURSE TITLE

iPrimary and iLowerSecondary Professional Development

QUALIFICATION AND SUBJECTS

Covers all iPrimary and/or iLowerSecondary for all subjects (English, Maths, Science and Computing)

FORMAT AND DURATION

Face to face training over 3 full days

COST

FREE to all new iPrimary and/or iLowerSecondary customers.

DELEGATE PROFILE

Teachers and year/department leaders who are new to teaching iPrimary and/or iLowerSecondary

NUMBER OF SPACES

15-30

CERTIFICATION

Teachers who attend all 3 days get a certificate of attendance. Senior members of staff can also join our iPLS coordinator programme and do the optional extension task to gain an iPLS digital badge and certificate.

# Three-day Professional Development Schedule

The table below presents a possible sequence of professional learning, which can be adapted to suit the needs of the schools attending.

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3
Orientation	Modelled Maths Lesson	Critical Thinking
Modelled English Lesson	Formative Assessment	Modelled Science Lesson
Active Learning	Overview of Assessment	ALP/ALDS Demonstration and Action Planning/Wrap-Up

“We found the training sessions very enlightening and clear. The methodologies used in the training sessions really helped convey the curriculum objectives, as well as the intention of the programme, so it could be used effectively in the classroom.”

Nancy Swatson, TeachinAid, Ghana



# International GCSE and International A Level

This session will help you and your colleagues obtain and maintain the knowledge needed to get the most from Pearson Edexcel qualifications. Whether you're a new school, starting a new qualification or have had some staff changes, these modular sessions allow you and your team to stay 100% up to date.

## MODULE 1 Qualification Introduction

Get a good all round introduction to the qualification and an opportunity to network and share ideas with other teachers including:

- > How the qualifications are devised
- > The content of the qualification
- > How to plan the course and/or lessons
- > The assessment of the qualification and how to prepare students
- > The support available.

## MODULE 2 Assessment

Take a closer look at the assessment of the qualification such as:

- > Assessment Objectives for the qualification
- > Question types for the qualification
- > Mark schemes for the qualification and practise using the mark schemes using exemplar student work
- > Support provided by Pearson around assessment and exemplars.

## MODULE 3 Support and Services

Get the most from the unrivalled support and services that accompany the qualifications and are available to you free, including:

- > Navigating and using the free support available on the website
- > Subject advisors and credible specialists/training
- > ResultsPlus
- > Exam Wizard
- > Access to Scripts and post-results support.

### Previously attended Getting to Ready to Teach (GRTT) or similar sessions?

Module 1 is an updated version of our popular Getting to Ready to Teach (GRTT) events, which is still available as a separate course for teachers who just want the specification focus.



#### COURSE TITLE

**Welcome to Pearson**

#### QUALIFICATION AND SUBJECTS

Available in most subjects for International GCSE and IAL - contact your local Pearson Representative or view schedule online at [quals.pearson.com/internationalPD](https://quals.pearson.com/internationalPD)

#### FORMAT AND DURATION

Face to face training covering all 3 modular sessions over 1 full day **OR** Online, divided into 3 modular session, bookable individually

#### COST

Free to anyone using Pearson Edexcel qualifications

#### DELEGATE PROFILE

Teachers, heads of department and exam officers who:

- > Are new to working with Pearson Edexcel and/or new to working with a British curriculum/qualifications.
- > Would like to refresh their practical knowledge of the specification and assessment objectives
- > Would like to know more about the support and services they can access with Pearson.

#### NUMBER OF SPACES

30 delegates for face to face, 90 for online

#### CERTIFICATION

Teachers receive a certificate of attendance. Attendance at the face to face event can count as 5 hours of CPD. Attendance at both online sessions can count as 4 hours of CPD.

STANDARD TRAINING

# International GCSE and International A Level

This session looks at combining the qualification framework, support and feedback mechanisms with teaching and learning strategies for your International GCSE and A Level students.

## Understanding Assessment & Delivery

Delegates will:

- > Understand the principles behind the use of Assessment Objectives
- > Analyse recent question papers against Assessment Objectives
- > Consider how questions in Assessment Objective areas have been answered using exam feedback
- > Discuss teaching strategies to enable students to access questions using Assessment Objectives
- > Gain 5 hours of CPD for attendance at F2F sessions and 2 hours for online sessions.

## Teaching & Learning Strategies

Delegates will:

- > Be introduced to a range of teaching & learning strategies targeted at their subject area
- > Share best practice of what has worked well with students studying these subjects
- > Discuss strategies that engage learners in developing knowledge, understanding and key subject-related skills
- > Gain 5 hours of CPD for attendance at F2F sessions and 4 hours for online sessions.

## Bridging the Gap (Sciences)

Delegates will:

- > Examine the differences between International GCSE and A level (difficulty, assessment, learning styles)
- > Discuss activities that help students to take the step up from GCSE to A level
- > Look at ways to develop independent learning, creative ownership and personal responsibility for A level study
- > Discuss ways to address common pitfalls experienced by students at this stage
- > Gain 2 hours of CPD for attendance.



#### COURSE TITLE

**Teaching and Learning from 14-19**

#### QUALIFICATION AND SUBJECTS

Available in most subjects for International GCSE and IAL - contact your local Pearson Representative or view schedule online at [quals.pearson.com/internationalPD](https://quals.pearson.com/internationalPD)

#### FORMAT AND DURATION

These events are available as Face to Face or online sessions (apart from Bridging the Gap, which is just online)

#### COST

Paid for (contact your regional representative for details)

#### DELEGATE PROFILE

Teachers and academic department heads following a British curriculum who wish to get a deeper understanding and hands-on practice of teaching strategies for a range of common issues.

#### NUMBER OF SPACES

30 at face to face sessions and 90 at online sessions

#### CERTIFICATION

CPD points and certificate of attendance given for each training session.

ENHANCED TRAINING

Pearson is the world's leading learning company  
and the UK's largest awarding body.

Pearson Edexcel international academic qualifications have been developed by education specialists specifically for international learners and are recognised by leading universities across the world - including Oxford, Cambridge, Columbia University and Yale University. Our qualifications provide learners with access to the world's top universities and prestigious employment opportunities.

With over 150 years of experience delivering world-class recognised qualifications, we look forward to working with you.

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*...I must admit I had originally thought of it as 'time out' to catch up on my own CPD, but it turned out to be much more than that and have now returned with new connections, renewed energy and a much better idea of how we can – and should – work more closely together going forward.*

**Martin Wigget,**  
Kings Group of International Schools

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**[quals.pearson.com/InternationalPD](https://quals.pearson.com/InternationalPD)**

Or please contact your local Pearson representative for more information at **[qualifications.pearson.com/edexcel-support](https://qualifications.pearson.com/edexcel-support)**