

Vocational Qualifications (QCF, NVQ, NQF)

Text Production (Business Professional)

Level 1 Text Production - **06966**

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1. Overview:

This unit introduces candidates to basic business documentation giving them an understanding of documentation layout and construction.

2. General Comments

Candidates continue to perform well at this level and successfully achieve the qualification. The major reason for a candidate being unsuccessful is the lack of proofreading of their work. It is also evident that candidates who rely on the computer program's spellcheck to locate errors are not aware that, unless program settings are changed, the spellcheck does not locate typographical errors in continuous capitals. The inability to understand the correct use of the apostrophe also remains a problem.

3. Comments on Individual Units

Some candidates are not familiar with the necessity to expand abbreviated words, or they expand the words incorrectly, such as 'option' for 'opp' instead of 'opportunity', and 'tell' for 'tel' instead of 'telephone'.

Omission of small words such as 'a' or 'the' are also frequently-occurring errors, along with omission of initial capitals.

4. Sector Update

This qualification is being withdrawn after the Autumn 2017 series. No replacement qualification is being made available.

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