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What is the PlayMaker Award?

The PlayMaker Award is a great introduction into leadership giving learners knowledge of how to organise small games and activities that can be used during curricular and extracurricular time, lunchtimes, breaks, as well as in sports clubs outside school hours.

The PlayMaker Award aims to help learners develop leadership skills such as organisation, communication and teamwork, as well as helping to build confidence and self-esteem as they take on the responsibility of assisting in leading their peers and younger children.

Who is the PlayMaker Award for?

Anyone can become a PlayMaker, regardless of their sporting experience or prowess. The PlayMaker Award is designed in a way so that learners can participate and learn about key leadership skills. The recommended age range is 9-11. The PlayMaker Award aims to give learners the skills and knowledge to be able to assist in leading their own games and activities in primary school, at break times or lunchtimes, as part of out of school hours clubs, or even at home.

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How is the PlayMaker Award delivered?

Sports Leaders UK suggest approximately six hours for delivery of this Award. The length of the course will depend onyour learners' abilityand the time you have available. You could deliver it either as part of the normal programme, lessonor session, as dedicated PlayMaker Award sessions or club, or as a one day course. The online Tutor Resource supports Tutors whichever delivery method you choose.

How much does the PlayMaker Award cost?

For further information and current learner registration fees visit **sportsleaders.org.**

The fees include certification and access to the online Tutor Resource for the length of your course.



Who cay deliver the PlayMaker Award?

The PlayMaker Award Tutor Resource has been written in a simple, easy to follow format. Each section guides the Tutor through the various activities, main points to highlight, questions to ask and resources to use.

You don't need to be a sports specialist to deliver this Award, but the Tutor should have a keen interest in the development of children through physical activity.

It can be delivered by teachers, support staff, coaches, sports development teams, Level 2 and 3 Sports Leaders or your Energy Club Leader.

Tutor orientations are available upon request for individuals who require additional guidance on using the Tutor Resource and delivering the content.

ls there any formal assessment?

Learners will all receive a Leadership Journal which they can use to record what they have done during the course; what they have learnt, what they have enjoyed and what they found most challenging. Certificates will be awarded once learners have completed the core elements of the PlayMaker Award and have put PACE into practice.

Tutors, parents and other adults who may be involved in supporting the learner can also comment in the Leadership Journal.





What is included in the online Tutor Resource?

The Tutor Resource includes everything you will need including how to administrate, deliver and certificate the PlayMaker Award.

Each leadership area (represented by a letter of the mnemonic **PACE**) is covered in turn and will include:

- An explanation of its importance for a leader.
- Suggested games and activities to highlight specific teaching points.
- Links to relevant resources.
- Suggested questions and expected answers, to reinforce practical experiences.
- Linking with the home.
- Activity cards.
- Extension activities.
- A learner card and learner worksheets to aid learners understanding of leadership activities.

You will also be able to download a personalised **Leadership Journal** for every registered learner. The Leadership Journal allows learners to log their leadership experiences during and after the course.

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6 key reasons to deliver the PlayMaker Award

- Focus on the four core areas of leadership - Participants, Area, Communication and Equipment.
- 2 Includes access to comprehensive resources which are easy to use.
- Leadership challenges give ideas on how PlayMakers can put their basic leadership skills into practice after the course.
- Links with the home encourages home/school links through the inclusion of home based activities and by asking parents/carers to contribute to learners' Leadership Journals.
- Additional recognition of achievement through downloadable Bronze, Silver, Gold and Outstanding Achievement certificates.
- 6 Supports Key Stage 2 curriculum for English, physical education, PSHE and citizenship.

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