

## SCHOOLS SECTOR

### The Learning Machine (TLM)'s IT User Skills Level 1 Qualification with IC3 Digital Literacy Certifications D-G

Qualification Name:	Level 1 Certificate in IT User Skills in Open Systems and Enterprise (QCF)
Qualification Number:	500/8080/5 ( <a href="#">Click here</a> for more information)
Level:	Level 1
Guided Learning Hours:	90-100
Overall Grading Type:	D-G with 2015, 2016 & 2017 School League Table Points
IC3 Digital Literacy Units:	Computing Fundamentals, Key Applications & Living Online ( <a href="#">Click here</a> for more information)

### Introduction:

This document outlines how you use the [IC3 Digital Literacy Certification](#) as evidence towards units within [The Learning Machine's \(TLM's\)](#) Level 1 Certification in IT User Skills.

### Three Step Process:

**Step 1:** Students complete all three *IC3 Digital Literacy Units* from Prodigy Learning



**Step 2:** Evidence is submitted to TLM. Students get *TLM's Level 1 Certificate in IT User Skills in Open Systems and Enterprise (QCF)*, with *IC3 Digital Literacy certification* and School League Table Points **Grade D-G Average**.

*N.B. As the IC3 Digital Literacy course already covers TLM's Improving Productivity Using IT (IPU) & The IT Security (ITS) units at Level 1, students do not need to complete these Units.*

### 2017 Onwards;

**Step 3:** Take TLM's Online Exam to achieve **GCSE Grade D-G** as part of School League Table Points and to meet the DfE's new '**Progress Eight**' measures.

### From 2017 - GCSE Grading:

Students that pass their IC3 Digital Literacy certification will automatically have **30 marks** towards their overall grade. They will then be eligible to take the TLM *Online Grading* exam, which is worth a further **70 marks**. Outlined below is the Grading system based on a student's combined marks:

- **80 marks** or more will be awarded **Distinction\* (D)**
- **70 marks** or more will be awarded **Distinction (E)**
- **60 marks** or more will be awarded **Merit (F)**
- **50 marks** or more will be awarded **Pass (G)**

**Note:** The questions on TLM's on-line grading exam get gradually harder throughout the exam, with scope to stretch the higher attaining students.

### Why Take This Qualification?

- **DfE Recognised**
  - TLM are one of only four Awarding Bodies that have a DfE recognised ICT GCSE qualification for 2015, 2016 and 2017 School League Table Points.
- **Value for Money**
  - The combined cost of TLM's Level 1 Certificate in IT User Skills qualification plus IC3 Digital Literacy Certification is in most cases still cheaper than most competing Awarding Body qualifications.
- **Dual Award**
  - TLM's Level 1 Certificate in IT User Skills qualification provides a dual award i.e. an Awarding Body Qualification plus IC3 Digital Literacy certification.
- **Easy to Deliver**
  - IC3 Digital Literacy certification has excellent learning resources, that are easy to deliver and very user friendly. This enables a School to teach the IC3 Digital Literacy course as a Blended Learning Solution i.e. both in the Classroom and online as part of an Independent Learning Solution.
- **Customer Service**
  - Both TLM and Prodigy Learning pride themselves on their service to their customers. Therefore, each Customer will have a local account Manager to look after all their queries.

### Next Steps...

Contact Prodigy Learning by email [info@prodigylearning.com](mailto:info@prodigylearning.com) or phone 0845 399 1551 to arrange for your local Regional Account Manager to call out to your School ASAP!