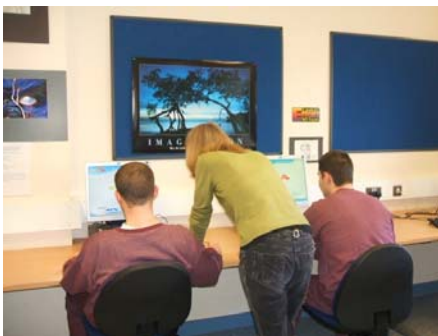


### **What is bksb?**

**bksb** is an award-winning, nationally-recognised suite of Basic, Key and Functional Skills assessments and resources for Literacy, Numeracy and ICT. As a market leader, we support the needs of a diverse range of organisations across the UK including Prisons, Training Providers, Schools, Employers, the Armed Forces and the majority of FE Colleges. Covering from Pre-Entry to Key Skills Level 3, we produce the widest-ranging assessments and resources available, providing you with a one solution fits all approach. This encourages a best practice philosophy throughout.



Inmates are assessed on arrival to develop an Individual Learning Plan for improving their skills

HMP Nottingham is a category B local prison, and serves the courts of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. **bksb** assessments and learning resources are being used at HMP Nottingham to underpin their approach to basic and key skill assessment and development. This case demonstrates how **bksb** can be used successfully in any prison setting to improve inmates' skills and their chances of ongoing rehabilitation and future success.

### **What HMP Nottingham say:**

"I use the **bksb** assessing tool electronically on a daily basis, completing the initial and diagnostic assessments with inmates when they arrive in prison. I have found **bksb** to be very effective in assessing the prisoners and identifying their needs in education. Prisoners are often amazed at how accurate the diagnostic assessment is to their perception of what their strengths and weaknesses are. I can then work with the prisoners positively to create their own Individual Learning Plan which they have helped to build."

**Mel Roberts, Induction and Assessment Coordinator,**  
HMP Nottingham

