



## CASE STUDY ONE: Eddie

When Eddie first came to study with Axiom Academy, he signed up with UK Online and did the Online Basics. He then enrolled with City & Guilds to do Functional Skills ICT at Entry Level 2, followed by Entry Level 3.

Not wishing to stop there, he enrolled with the BCS (British Computing Society) to do ECDL (European Computer Driving Licence) at Level 1, which is equivalent to GCSE D-G.

Amazingly he then started a City & Guilds Adult Numeracy Entry Level 3 and after passing that, he then moved on to Level 1 (GCSE D-G) and he is now on his way to achieving City & Guilds Functional Skills maths.



**What makes this case study so special** is that Eddie has an enduring and profound mental health illness. In 2010, Eddie moved into an Axiom supported flat following a referral by his community psychiatric nurse. Since then he has been supported to identify goals via a dedicated Support & Development Plan and has worked with the whole Axiom team to achieve his goals and personal aspirations.

Eddie's overall health and well-being has steadily improved and he continues to gain confidence and learn new skills.

He has worked tirelessly with Axiom Academy and has achieved the following qualifications:

- UK Online - Online Basics
- City & Guilds - Functional Skills ICT - Entry Level 2
- City & Guilds - Functional Skills ICT - Entry Level 3
- City & Guilds - Adult Numeracy Entry Level 3
- City & Guilds – Adult Numeracy Level 1 (equivalent – GCSE grade D to G)
- British Computing Society - ECDL (European Computer Driving Licence) Level 1 (equivalent to GCSE grade D to G)

He is currently studying for: City & Guilds - Functional Skills Maths: Level 1 (equivalent to GCSE grade D to G)

According to his Tutor, Mairead Wright, Eddie is keen to re-visit his old school to show his achievements since coming to Axiom.

**Mairead Wright**, Skills & Development Co-ordinator and Tutor, said:

“When Eddie was at school, dyslexia was unheard of so he was never tested, and unfortunately his education suffered as a result. Throughout Eddie's life he has developed coping strategies, but had to really start from scratch with his maths. He is over the moon to have passed this exam and keen to start the next level up!

Eddie completed an ECDL course at Level 1 in our Academy, and has now gone on to pass his maths at City & Guilds Entry Level 3; as you can imagine he's as pleased as punch!”