OUTLINE PROGRAMME Receptionist and Telephone Skills

1 Understanding Communication

- a. Verbal communication
- b. Written communication
- c. Telephone communication

2 Responding to Visitors

- a. On the telephone
- b. Face to face

3 Responding to Telephone Calls

- a. Speed of answering
- b. Clarity of speech
- c. Level of 'helpfulness'

4 Listening Skills

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- Body Language
 - a. Face to face
 - b. 'Listening body language'

6 Meeting and Greeting

- a. How and why
- b. Welcoming
- c. Warm
- d. Helpful

7 Taking and Relaying Messages

- a. Who?
- b. What?
- c. Why?
- d. When?
- e. How?
- 8 Gathering Information
- 9 Forwarding Information
- **10** Processing Information
- 11 Saying 'NO'

12 Dealing with Difficult/Awkward People

- a. On the telephone
- b. Face to face
- 13 Building Confidence
- 14 Appropriate Language
- 15 Hints and Tips
 - a. Vocabulary
 - b. Articulation
 - c. Memorising and remembering
 - d. Noting



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