

# Open Awards Qualification Unit



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## 1 Unit Details

Unit Title:	Understanding African Type Hair
Unit Reference Number:	Y/615/9779
Level:	Level 2
Credit Value:	5
Minimum GLH:	45

## 2 Learning Outcomes and Criteria

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Know about salons processes requirements for working safely	1.1 Describe salon health and safety processes
	1.2 Explain the importance of working in a professional manner
	1.3 Outline individual responsibilities and limitations of working with clients
2. Know about African –type hair	2.1 Describe the physical effects of the blow drying, and heated and thermal styling processes on the hair structure
	2.2 Describe the effects of humidity on African-type hair
3 Know about styling and finishing techniques for African-type hair	3.1 Describe the processes for following treatments with specific reference to African-type hair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Chemical relaxing</li> <li>b) Colouring</li> <li>c) Straightening</li> </ul>
	3.2 Describe how to use styling tools to minimise the risk of damage to the hair and client discomfort
	3.3 Describe how the incorrect application of heat can affect the hair and scalp

<b>4</b> Be able to assist with styling and finishing hair	4.1	Prepare self, client and work area for styling and finishing hair
	4.2	Assess the potential of the hair to achieve the desired look
	4.3	Select suitable products and tools to achieve the look agreed with the client
	4.4	Communicate professionally within a salon environment
	4.5	Follow safe and hygienic working practices
	4.6	Provide suitable aftercare advice
	4.7	Assist in use styling techniques that achieve the intended result with the client: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Shape</li> <li>b) Direction</li> <li>c) Balance</li> <li>d) Volume</li> </ul>
<b>5</b> Be able to identify further training needs	5.1	Identify further training required to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Understand Africa-type hair</li> <li>b) Perform a minimum of 3 different techniques</li> </ul>