Understanding apprenticeships

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What are apprenticeships?





















Levels of apprenticeships

Intermediate

Equivalent to:

5 GCSE passes at grade 9-4 (A*-C)

Level 2

Level 3

Advanced

Equivalent to:

2 A levels / International Baccalaureate

3

Higher

Equivalent to:

Foundation degree and above

Levels 4-7

Degree

Equivalent to:

Bachelors or masters degree

Levels 6 & 7











Levels of apprenticeships

Intermediate (L2)

- Furniture maker
- Security operative
- Barber
- Aviation ground handler
- Dog groomer
- Florist
- Accounts assistant
- Pharmacy assistant
- Marina operative
- Junior estate agent

140+ standards

Advanced (L3)

- Engineering technician
- Pastry chef
- Multi-channel marketer
- Fudraiser
- Scenic artist
- Electrician
- Community wellbeing worker
- Data technician

230+ standards

Higher

- Visual effects artist
- Town planning assistant
- Sports coach
- Space engineering technician

110+ standards (L4)

- Vet technician
- Nursing associate
- Rail engineer
- Marine pilot
- Nuclear technician

40+ standards (L5)

Degree

- Geoscientist
- Accounting manager
- Midwife
- Social worker
- Civil engineer

110+ standards (L6)

- Doctor
- Game programmer
- Play therapist
- Solicitor
- Economist

60+ standards (L7)



Range of employers



















































































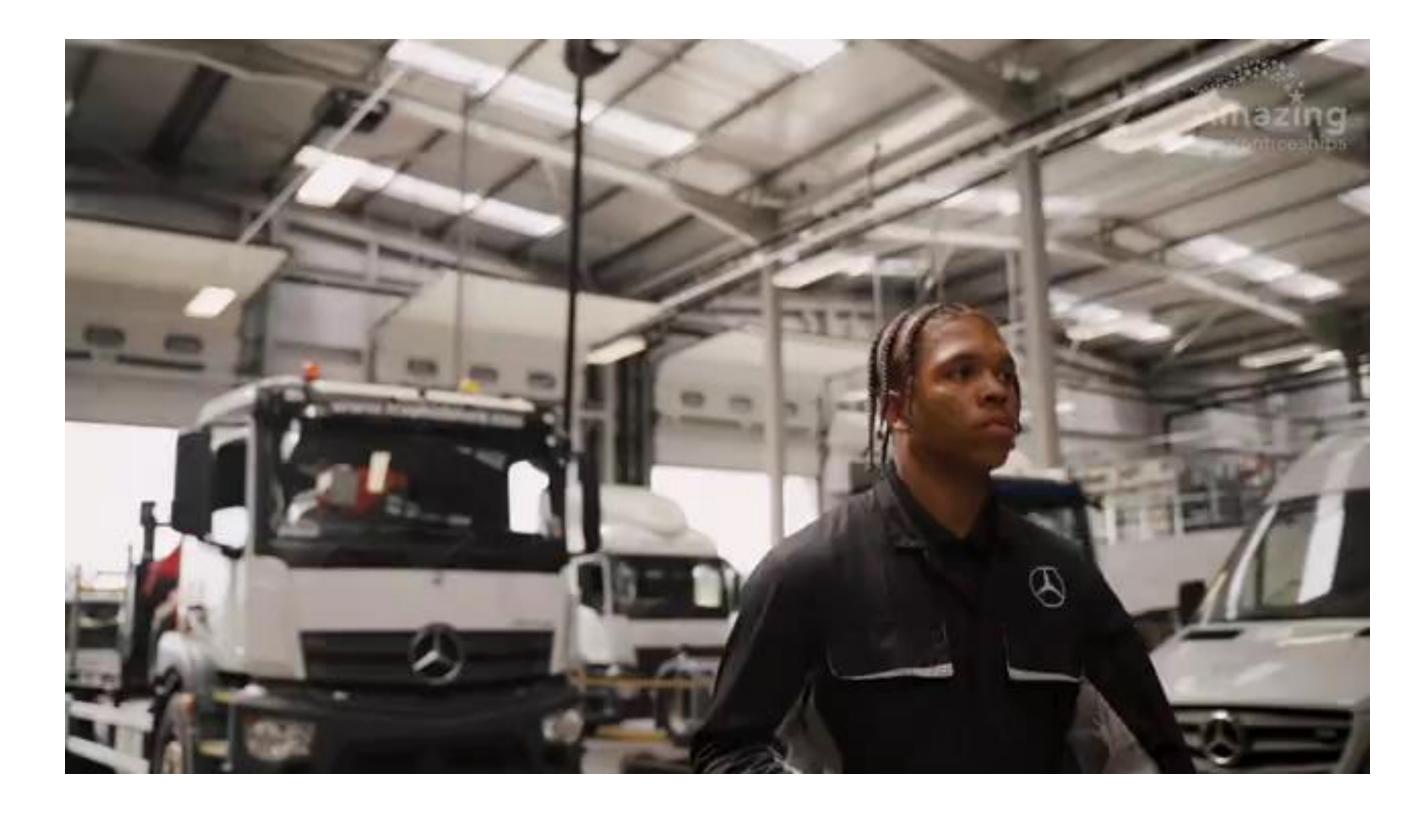






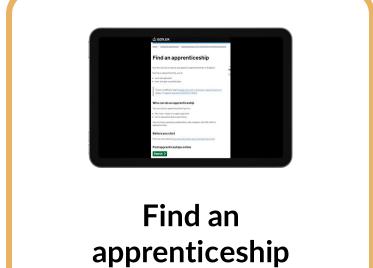


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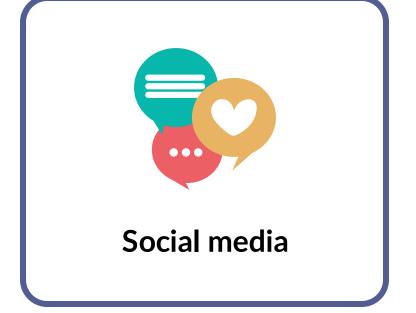
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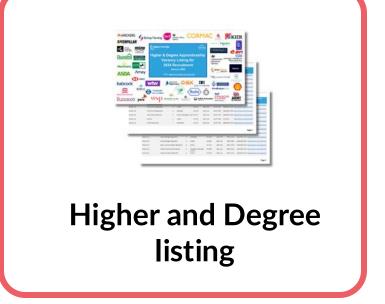














Apprenticeships - Key facts

- Levels not linear dependent on role and experience
- Majority of starts in U19s were Intermediate & Advanced
- Employer led apply to employer, they select the provider
- Different recruitment methods
- Entry requirements vary
- **Employer decides when they advertise**



