



Pre Show Prep



Pupil Preparation Pack

So you've been invited to **The National Apprenticeship Show**, but what's the best way to prepare so you can get the most out of your day?

First Impressions Count

Did you know that it takes just 7 seconds to make a good first impression?

Take pride in your appearance! Ensure you're looking smart and ready for business and remember that a smile goes a long way 😊

Research & Plan

There will be over 50 stands on the day, so take a look at our website beforehand to see what you may be interested in. Make a shortlist of at least 6 stands you would like to visit and think about the types of questions you would like to ask.

Don't forget your notepad & pen!

Use Your Time Wisely

Remember that you only have 2 hours!

All the exhibitors are there to help and guide you, so make sure you ask as many questions as necessary to gain the most out of your experience.

Seminars and workshops will be taking place throughout your visit, this will give you a chance to take part in activities and listen to others' experiences.

Standout from the Crowd

There will be thousands of pupils just like you looking for their next step, so think about what will stand you apart from everyone else? Ensure you leave a good and lasting impression with each exhibitor to make them remember you!

The National Apprenticeship Show is fantastic way for you to see what opportunities are out there once you leave school. There are lots of different career paths to choose from in a wide range of industries, so there really is something for everyone!

Remember to make the most out of your experience, as this could be the first step to a bright and successful future!

<http://www.nationalapprenticeshipshow.org>



Activity

Activity overview

The activity is structured to challenge you to think differently about apprenticeships and be open to the idea that you need to research them further.

True or false?

Discuss the following 6 statements as a class and decide whether you think the statements are true or false.

- You can achieve a degree through a Russell Group University by undertaking an apprenticeship
- You can become a solicitor through an apprenticeship
- You can achieve fully qualified teacher status through an apprenticeship
- Those studying a degree apprenticeship achieve exactly the same degree as someone studying full time at university
- Apprentices achieve professional status / membership through their programme
- You can become a doctor through an apprenticeship

WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?

We've summed up the five main points that help to explain what makes up an apprenticeship.

Find out more by visiting www.getingofar.gov.uk

An apprenticeship gives you the opportunity to combine on the job training with study meaning you can earn while you learn.

With some apprenticeships you can even get a degree.

It usually takes between one and four years to complete an apprenticeship depending on which level you take.

Apprenticeships are available across a wide range of industries and many high quality, prestigious companies offer them.

Pay is dependent on the industry, location and type of apprenticeship. The minimum wage for apprentices aged 16-18 is £3.50 per hour however many employers pay more than this and some higher apprenticeships can pay as much as £500 per week.

APPRENTICESHIPS: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When you're considering the next step to secure the future that's right for you, you're bound to have lots of questions. We're here to help.

What are the different levels of apprenticeship?

There are four types of apprenticeship: Intermediate, Advanced, Higher, and Degree. It will depend on the job role and your prior qualifications and experience as to which level you will need to start at.

INTERMEDIATE



DEGREE

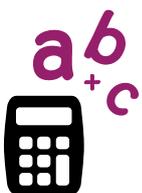


Is getting an apprenticeship competitive?

Securing an apprenticeship is the same as getting any other job: there will be other applicants and you'll need to impress to get shortlisted. Stand out by researching the employer, identifying the skills and qualities that make you unique and tailoring your application form.

How does the application process work?

The organisation will usually advertise on the Find an apprenticeship website, so you will be able to apply online. After the closing date, the employer will shortlist the applicants. Interviews could be a mixture of face to face meetings, online tests, and assessment centres.



Do you need English and Maths?

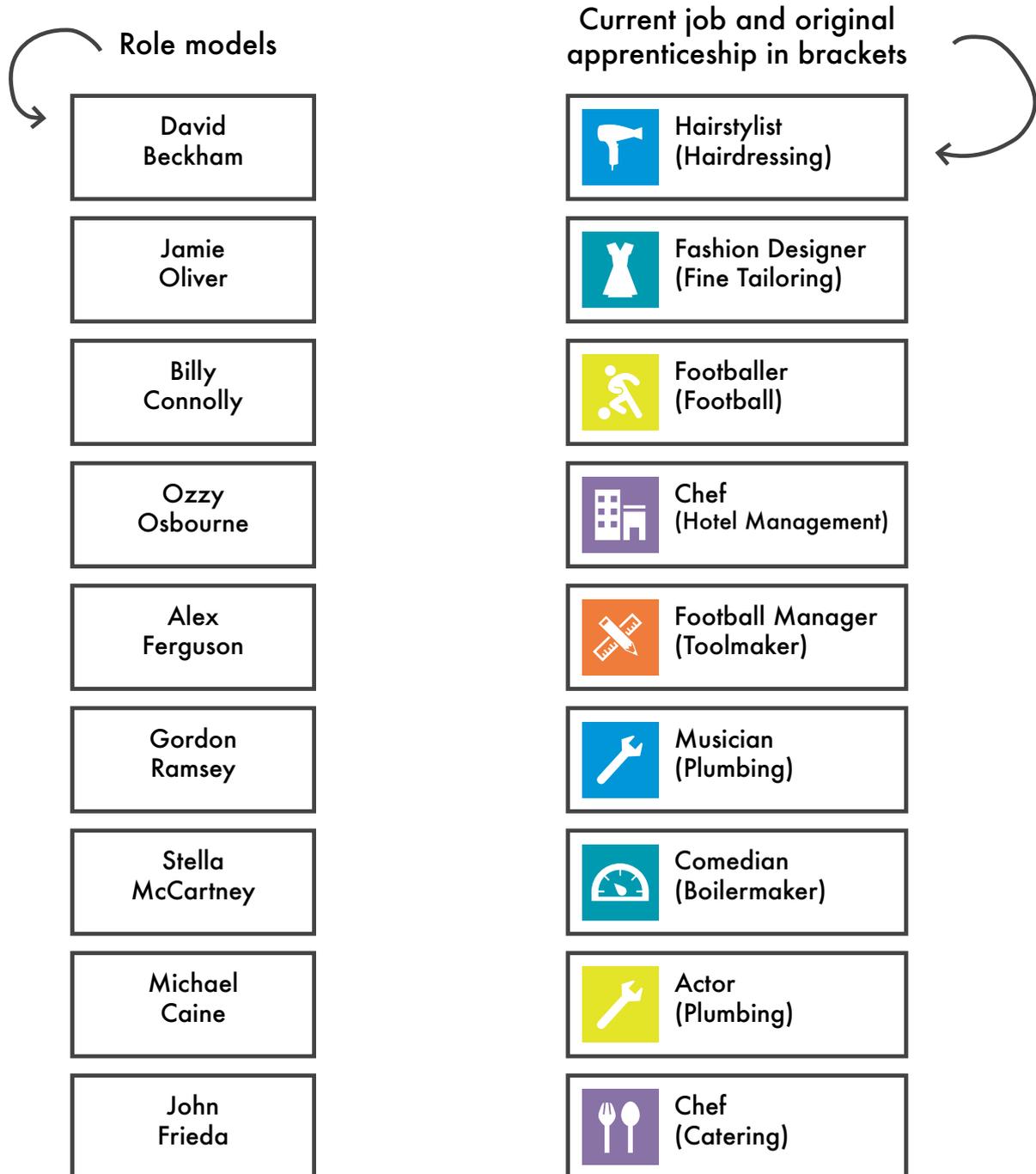
Some employers ask for English and Maths GCSE before you start. However, if you don't have English and Maths it doesn't mean you can't do an apprenticeship. If you're willing to work towards Functional Skills then you will still be able to achieve your apprenticeship.

The full 101 Amazing Apprenticeship Activities for Schools resource can be accessed for free on our website: www.amazingapprenticeships.com/resources/101-amazing-apprenticeship-activities

ACTIVITY OVERVIEW

There are quite a few famous people who were once an apprentice. Use this activity to look at the range of celebrities and the apprenticeships that they undertook. Discuss the responses as a class. Has anyone surprised you?

APPRENTICESHIP ROLE MODELS



10 AMAZING APPRENTICESHIPS YOU NEVER KNEW EXISTED

1 AEROSPACE ENGINEER

Get your career off to a flying start by designing and maintaining aircraft or working on space vehicles and satellites

2 BESPOKE TAILOR

This creative and skilled role at the heart of the iconic British garment industry could be your perfect fit

3 CYBER INTRUSION ANALYST

The chance to contribute to the crucial work of monitoring networks and detecting breaches in security

4 DIGITAL JOURNALIST

Get involved in the creation of fantastic, engaging content for TV, radio, and online

5 EQUINE GROOM

Turn your equestrian hobby into a stable career in an industry that contributes billions to the British economy

6 FOOD TECHNOLOGIST

Have your cake and eat it! Creativity and attention to detail will serve you well in the food industry

7 FASHION STUDIO ASSISTANT

Passion for fashion? Help to capture the mood of the moment and contribute to the creation of a collection

8 PUBLIC RELATIONS

Love to communicate? Use your influence in the exciting and challenging PR industry

9 NUCLEAR SCIENTIST

Use your analytical skills to provide innovative solutions in the fast-expanding nuclear power industry

10 VIDEO GAME QUALITY ASSURANCE

Use your knowledge and zeal for gaming to test and fix computer games before they go live

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