

How to kick-start your career with an Apprenticeship



What is Apprenticeship?

Apprenticeship is a paid job where you gain the knowledge and skills specific to your job role. It is perfect blend of hands-on experience and off-the-job training.

Who should take Apprenticeship?

Apprenticeship can be undertaken by anybody who wants to start or change a career, school leavers or an employee who wishes to upskill in his current job.

To start an Apprenticeship, you must:

- be 16 years or over
- not already be in full-time education
- live in England

What are Apprenticeship Levels?

There are different Apprenticeship levels. You can start at any level.

- Intermediate Level 2 which is equivalent to GCSE
- Advanced Level 3 which is equivalent to A Level
- Higher Level 4,5,6 and 7 which is equivalent to Foundation degree and above
- Degree Level 6 and 7 which is equivalent to Bachelor's or master's degree

What are Apprenticeship sectors/ categories?

You can choose to do an Apprenticeship in any of the following sectors or categories:

- Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Care
- Arts, Media and Publishing
- Business, Administration and Law
- Construction, Planning and the Built Environment
- Education and Training
- Engineering and Manufacturing Technologies
- Health, Public Services and Care
- History, Philosophy and Theology
- Information and Communication Technology
- Languages, Literature and Culture
- Leisure, Travel and Tourism
- Preparation for Life and Work
- Retail and Commercial Enterprise
- Science and Mathematics
- Social Sciences

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What are the benefits of doing an Apprenticeship?

- You get hands-on experience
- You don't have to worry about the apprenticeship cost as it is funded by the Govt. and the employer
- You will get at least 20 days paid holiday per year, plus bank holidays
- You can study at your convenient time
- You will be entitled to the National Minimum Wage

Age	April 2021 (current rate)	April 2022
23 and over	£8.91	£9.50
21 to 22	£8.36	£9.18
18 to 20	£6.56	£6.83
Under 18	£4.62	£4.81
Apprentice	£4.30	£4.81

*Apprentices are entitled to the apprentice rate if they're either:

- aged under 19
- aged 19 or over and in the first year of their apprenticeship

Apprentices are entitled to the minimum wage for their age if they both:

- are aged 19 or over
- have completed the first year of their apprenticeship

Source:

[Become an apprentice - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/become-an-apprentice)

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