

TEES VALLEY
CAREERS

which way next

Your choices after year 11

APPRENTICESHIPS

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HOW TO USE THIS TOOLKIT



When you are in Year 11, in England you can leave school on the last Friday in June.



This toolkit is aimed at Year 6 pupils, like yourselves. It will help you understand what your options are on leaving school in Year 11.

You must do one of the following until you're 18:

- stay in full-time education, for example at a college
- start an apprenticeship or traineeship or T-Level
- spend 20 hours or more a week working or volunteering, while in part-time education or training.

You can make notes on pages 18 & 19 to write any ideas or things you find interesting.



You will also find enclosed sections about the different job sectors and where the jobs are in the Tees Valley, which includes local employers.

We will cover each of these individually, but this toolkit focuses especially on one of those options ...Apprenticeships.

The useful words guide will help you become familiar with words and phrases that you may not have heard before and the websites which will enhance your knowledge of your choices after Year 11.



USEFUL WORDS GUIDE

This useful words guide will help you become familiar with words and phrases that you may not have heard before.

FE College

FE colleges (further education college) are education and training institutions that are very different to schools. FE college provides high-quality technical and professional education and training for young people, as well as adults.

Sixth Form College

A sixth form college is an educational institution, where students aged 16 to 19 typically study for advanced school-level qualifications, such as A-Levels.

A-Levels

An academic qualification in a specific subject similar in style to GCSE's that prepares you for further study.

Technical / Vocational Qualifications

Qualifications which teach you how to do tasks specifically related to the industry and role you want to be in.

Job Sectors

There are many different jobs/roles within each different job sector.

Apprentice

Someone who is doing an Apprenticeship.

Traineeship

A traineeship is a course with work experience that gets you ready for work or an apprenticeship. It can last from 6 weeks up to 1 year.

Job Description

A list of the responsibilities that you have and the duties you are expected to perform in your work.

Apprenticeship

An apprenticeship is a real job you can work at the same time as gaining a job related qualification.

Training Provider

A place that offers training. Most employers use an external training organisation to provide training to apprentices. There are two main types of training organisations – further education colleges and independent training providers.

Job Title

The name of the particular job in an organisation.

Apprenticeship Standard

An apprenticeship standard outlines what an apprentice will do during their apprenticeship. The skills they will need to perform in the job role they're training for.

Off the job

Training happening away from the usual place where someone works.

Career

The job or series of jobs that you do during your working life.

Occupation

Is a job or profession.

T-Levels

T-Levels are an alternative to A-Levels, apprenticeships and other 16 to 19 courses. They are equivalent to 3 A-Levels, a T-Level is a mix of classroom and on-the-job experience and can help students into skilled employment.

Employer

A person or organisation that people work for.

On the Job

Is a form of training provided at the workplace.

Employee

A person employed for wages or salary.

Qualifications

An official record of showing that you have finished a training course or have skills and knowledge you need.

Wage

A fixed amount of money agreed to be paid to you every week, by the employer

USEFUL WEBSITES

www.teesvalleycareers.com

www.teesvalley.jobs

www.amazingapprenticeships.com

www.tlevels.gov.uk

www.instituteforapprenticeships.org

www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship

www.gov.uk/government/publications/higher-and-degree-apprenticeships

www.stepintothens.nhs.uk

nationalcareers.service.gov.uk

www.tvlpn.co.uk

apprenticenation.co.uk/skills-hub/

teesvalley-ca.gov.uk/skills-employment/skills/apprenticeships/

www.multiverse.io/en-GB

Use these sites to do some more research into areas that might interest you.

There is loads of information online to help you understand all of the options for future employment and education.

AFTER YEAR 11

YOUR FUTURE TICKET

You must do one of the following until you're 18

SIXTH FORM COLLEGE
STUDY FOR ADVANCED SCHOOL-LEVEL QUALIFICATIONS (A-LEVELS)

T-LEVELS
A MIX OF CLASSROOM LEARNING AND 'ON-THE-JOB' EXPERIENCE

Some schools have their own sixth form college

TRAINEESHIP
GETS YOU READY FOR WORK OR AN APPRENTICESHIP

APPRENTICESHIP
A REAL JOB, YOU CAN WORK AT THE SAME TIME AS GAINING A JOB RELATED QUALIFICATION

EMPLOYMENT (20 HRS+)
WHILST DOING PART-TIME EDUCATION OR TRAINING

FURTHER EDUCATION COLLEGE
TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

ACTIVITY 1 WHAT IS... QUIZ

Use the information on pages 5/6/7 to look up the answers to the questions below.



You can write down any extra information you find interesting or useful.



There is extra space for notes on page 18 if you need.



What is the difference between a FE college and 6th Form?

What is an Apprenticeship?

What is the difference between a Technical / Vocational Qualification and A-Levels?

What is a T-Level?

What is the difference between a Traineeship and an Apprenticeship?

What is the difference between an Employer and Employee?

What is a wage?

What is the difference between a job title and job description?

Job Sectors

There will be some fantastic opportunities over the next few years in Tees Valley. Here are some of the job sectors that you could work in.



MANUFACTURING

Manufacturing is the process of making products, or goods.

Manufacturers take raw materials and turn them into products to sell. Raw materials include wood, steel, cloth, and many other materials.

Using raw materials, manufacturers make cars, electronics, clothing, furniture, home appliances, machinery, ships, airplanes, and many other goods.



CONSTRUCTION

Construction workers build or fix homes, roads, and buildings. They perform heavy physical labour and often work outdoors in all kinds of weather conditions.

Many different kinds of workers may be involved in a construction project such as plumbers, electricians, roofers, carpenters.



EDUCATION

There are lots of career opportunities working in education. You can work with children, young people and adults. Jobs roles can involve teaching, tutoring, university lectures and teaching assistants.



PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS SERVICES

Professional services are occupations that require special training. Professional services include specialist jobs roles such as legal, accounting, management, architecture, veterinary services, scientific research and development and marketing.

Business services includes support activities such as employment agencies, human resources, administration, call centres, event organisers, the rental or leasing of goods, working with vehicles or machinery and security and cleaning.



HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

Health and Social Care consists of working with people that are in ill health or have medical conditions. Jobs can include doctor, nurse, dentist, paramedic, midwife and care workers.

Social Care is the care and support of vulnerable people usually in the community.

Jobs can include social worker, foster caring and home carers.



LOGISTICS

Logistics is all about getting things from one point to another. This can include the transportation, distribution and storage of materials.

Jobs within the logistics industry could involve driving large goods vehicles, forklift truck drivers, warehouse operatives and postal workers.

It is exciting that there will be some fantastic employment opportunities within these sectors by the time you leave school, some jobs haven't even been created yet!



ENGINEERING

Engineers solve problems. They use science and maths to figure out the best way to create new things or to improve a product.

There are many different kinds of engineering. There are lots of different jobs within the engineering industry such as a chemical engineer, electrical engineer, mechanical engineer, civil engineering and materials engineering.



DIGITAL

The digital industry involves working with technology such as computers. Jobs can involve working in IT, telecommunications, computer gaming design, social media, advertising and marketing.

WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP

An apprenticeship is a real job. You learn, gain experience, and get paid a wage. You are the employee with a contract of employment and holiday leave.

Apprentices work between 30 and 40 hours per week.

Apprentices are available for individuals who live in England and who are aged 16 and over. There is no age limit to becoming an apprentice.

Apprenticeships range from intermediate level 2 to degree level 7.

Apprenticeships can take between 1-4 years to complete depending on the level and delivery model.

Apprentices are paid a wage at least the National Minimum Apprenticeship Wage for Apprentices, but many are paid more.

More info:
www.apprenticeships.gov.uk



You can apply for an apprenticeship on www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk

INTERMEDIATE APPRENTICESHIP	ADVANCED APPRENTICESHIP	HIGHER & DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 2 • 12 - 18 months • Equivalent to 5 GCSEs 4 - 9 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level 3 • 18 - 48 months • Equivalent to 2 A-levels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Levels 4, 5, 6, 7 • 24 months+ • Equivalent to foundation degree level+
2	3	4+

You also gain knowledge, competence, and employability skills

ACTIVITY 3

JESSICA'S STORY



Read the information below then answer the questions on page 15.

Jessica is 15 years old; she will be 16 years old on the 15th August.

She is in Year 11 and leaves school at the end of June.

She wants to become an Engineer and is thinking of applying for an Apprenticeship.

Her GCSE's grades should be good, especially in maths, english and science. Her predicted grades being level 7/8.

Her hobbies are sport and singing. She plays football for her local team and attends a local gym regularly.

She has achieved her Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award and is currently working towards her Silver Duke of Edinburgh award.

Jessica has seen the Apprenticeship vacancy below advertised on the Find an Apprenticeship site www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk and she wants to apply.

Apprenticeship Summary
Engineering Apprenticeship

Weekly wage
£165.00

Working week
Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm

Expected duration
42 months

Apprenticeship level
Advanced
Level 3

Entry Requirements
You must have a minimum grade 5/C+ or above in maths and English

Desired skills

- Able to work as part of a team as well as use own initiative
- Enjoy working hands on with manual equipment
- Enjoy working practically
- Have a high attention to detail
- Good level of mathematics

Personal qualities

- Problem solver
- Excellent timekeeping
- Passionate and willingness to learn
- Self-motivated
- Good communication skills
- Be enthusiastic

Training
Attend college one day a week for 'off the job' training

When would Jessica be able to start an Apprenticeship?

If Jessica was successful in gaining this apprenticeship, her working hours would be 9:00am - 5:00pm Monday to Friday. She takes 1 hour for lunch, which is unpaid. What would her weekly hours be?

Her weekly salary is £165 per week, what is her hourly rate?

Jessica's apprenticeship is for 42 months, how many years and months is this?

On an apprenticeship, Jessica would spend 80% of her working week with the employer, how many hours is this?

On an apprenticeship, Jessica would spend 20% of her working week with the college/training provider, how many hours is this?


Looking at the 'desired skills' why do you think Jessica would be good for this apprenticeship? Give examples.


Looking at the 'personal qualities' why do you think Jessica would be good for this apprenticeship? Give examples.





ACTIVITY 4 GUESS THE EMPLOYER LOGO


Can you guess these local employers who offer apprenticeships from their logos? Some parts are missing...


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Anything else you found out about local companies?

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GET INVOLVED

To find out more, please register your interest by emailing join@teesvalleycareers.com with your name, contact details, primary school, and location.

A member of the Careers Team will get back to you to advise on the opportunities available, including activity providers and resources.



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LEARNING PROVIDER NETWORK