



What are... Apprenticeships?



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Apprenticeships Explained

Apprenticeships are a form of work-based learning. They combine on-the-job training with classroom study. You gain real employment, real training, and a real salary! With so many websites advertising apprenticeships, knowing where to start is key.

The most popular way of searching for higher and degree apprenticeships is by using the 'Find an apprenticeship' area of the government website:

[gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship](https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship)

Here you can search for current vacancies in your area and filter them by specific level.

You can also apply for an apprenticeship in the same way you would apply for a job – by approaching employers directly, or by contacting a training provider.

Search for 'apprenticeships' on the following sites for the best information out there:

[gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk)

[ucas.com](https://www.ucas.com)

[prospects.ac.uk](https://www.prospects.ac.uk)

Visit these sites for dedicated and impartial guidance on apprenticeships:

[ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk](https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk)

[amazingapprenticeships.com](https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com)

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