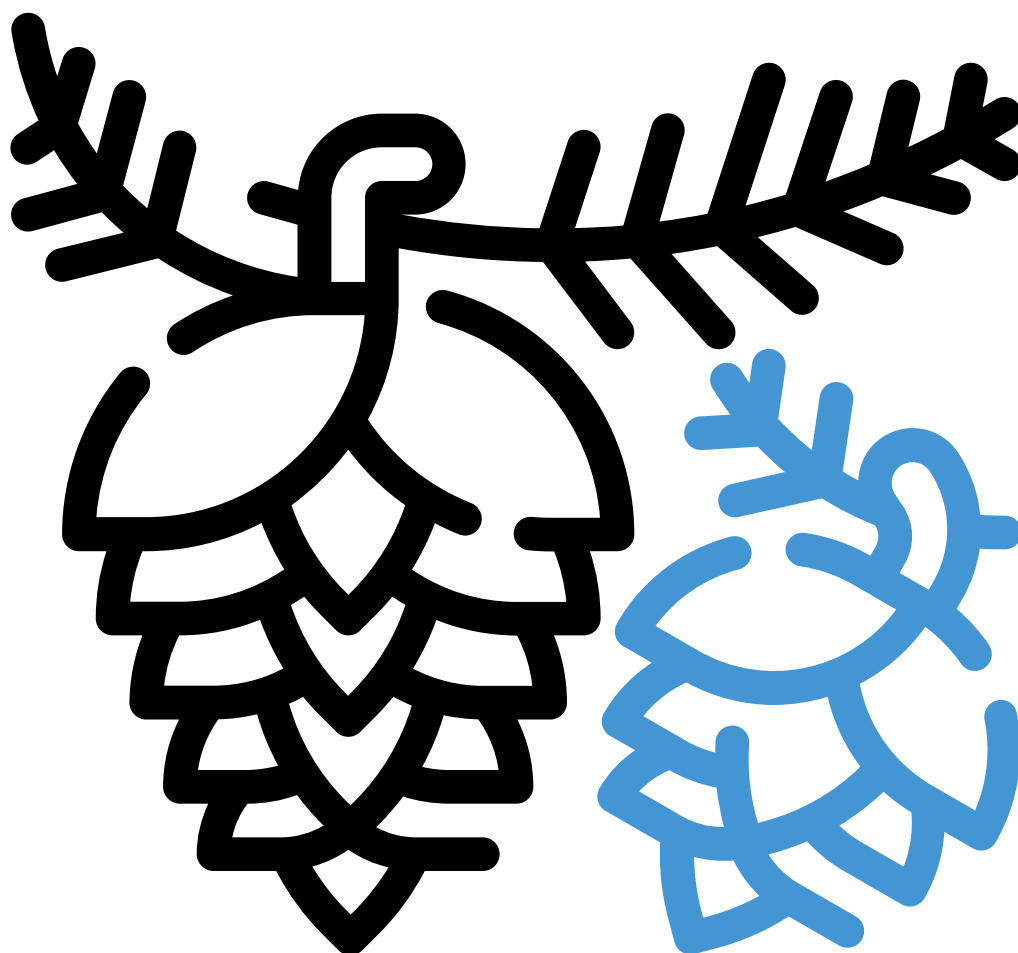


# Parents and Carers' Pack

Helping your child to search and apply for apprenticeships



Edition 50: November 2023



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# Welcome

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the November 2023 Parents and Carers' Pack. This 50th edition is, as always, full of useful information to help you support your child as they explore their post-16 options.

Following its latest release, we have details of the Higher and Degree apprenticeship vacancy listing. Always highly anticipated, it will be of interest to your child if they are considering apprenticeship opportunities at level 4 and above.

On a similar theme, we explore Higher Technical Qualifications. If your child wants to be confident that they are equipped with the skills that employers are looking for, a qualification displaying the HTQ logo will provide them with that assurance.

In recognition of Tomorrow's Engineers Week, which takes place this month, we have an article focussing on the wealth of apprenticeship standards, at all levels, available in engineering.

Lastly, following the recent announcement of a new Advanced British Standard qualification, our article on the future of T Levels provides clarity and reassurance for those considering taking this qualification.

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# Apprentice insight: Life as an apprentice at Sanctuary

Meet Faisal, who completed an accountancy qualification through an apprenticeship



## Sanctuary

### How did you find your apprenticeship?

I found my apprenticeship through visiting the website of the training provider, Herefordshire and Worcestershire Group Training Association (WGTA). I searched 'accountant apprenticeships' as I have always been great at Maths. I applied for an apprenticeship at Sanctuary, and during the interview I was really impressed with the values Sanctuary holds and that a high percentage of their apprentices go on to secure full-time positions. I also applied for universities and I was very fortunate to be offered a university place and an accountancy apprenticeship at Sanctuary to study the Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT) qualification. This meant I had to make the difficult decision on which to accept. I defied my parents, took the 'risk' and accepted the apprenticeship offer, and I have not looked back since.

### How was your apprenticeship delivered?

My apprenticeship was delivered by Herefordshire and Worcestershire Group Training Association (WGTA). I attended college one day a week and worked in the office on the other days. Sanctuary implements a buddy system where all apprentices have a colleague they can seek advice from or have additional support within the working environment. This really helped me to balance my apprenticeship and my work.

### What are the benefits of completing an apprenticeship?

For me, the great part about completing an apprenticeship was the knowledge, skills and behaviours I learnt. My apprenticeship spanned three years, and I experienced working in various finance departments across Sanctuary. This allowed me to acquire professional skills within finance, accountancy and leadership. I built a network with not only my work colleagues at Sanctuary, but even wider with other apprentices, training providers and employers. This supported my confidence, communication and organisation skills too.

### What opportunities has your apprenticeship given you?

Doing an apprenticeship has given me opportunities I would never have imagined. I have been fortunate to be able to attend events such as a round table to meet with MPs and visit the House of Commons to meet MPs. I continue advocating apprenticeships across the West Midlands by sharing my experience at Careers Fairs, and I deliver speeches at schools and colleges around my successes.

### Has your apprenticeship expanded your career options?

After completing my apprenticeship programme and becoming AAT qualified, I secured a permanent role at Sanctuary as a Finance Officer. Sanctuary has lots of opportunities for progression and I have been lucky to have had the opportunity to move into Project Management as a Technology Project Manager, where I manage my own projects, from system upgrades to new implementations of technology. It still involves finance elements and allows me to lean on my accountancy apprenticeship. Sanctuary has been an integral part of my progression and success.

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## Have you had any memorable achievements?

Because of my hard work, dedication and commitment through my apprenticeship, I have been awarded two awards - WGTA Accountancy Apprentice of the Year and The Worcestershire Apprentice Ambassador of the Year.

My parents are very proud of me for completing the apprenticeship programme and today champion my success.



## What is your advice to others?

My advice to others is to always keep your options open and do not see apprenticeships as a 'back up plan', but

a genuine alternative to university. I am one of many success stories of the apprenticeship pathway. It gives you the opportunity to earn whilst you learn and is real work experience. It allows you to gain recognised qualifications and enhances your knowledge, skills and networking skills, which not only benefit your working life, but even outside of work too (skills such as leadership and communication have assisted me outside of work where I am currently the captain of both my cricket and football teams).

## What are your plans for the future?

I would like to stay within project management and expand my portfolio, but I have aspirations to be in a senior manager role. I am currently studying towards the PRINCE2 qualification, and I would like to complete a degree apprenticeship in project management in the future.

## What motivates you?

My two biggest motivations in my life are my religion and my family. They inspire me to be the best I can be professionally and personally, and in turn, motivate me to inspire and help others.

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<https://www.sanctuary.co.uk/apprenticeships>



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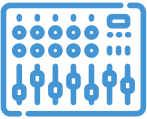



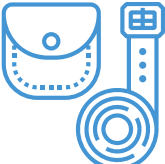
# Apprenticeships uncovered

Keep up to date with apprenticeship opportunities

Apprenticeships are continually created and released through The Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education. The list below focuses on the [Creative and design](#) route and includes some apprenticeships you may not have considered before. You can find out more on The Institute website: [www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards](http://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards)

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Archivist and records manager		Support the acquisition, preservation, security and accessibility of records and other materials which give evidence of the activities of their creators, for example organisations, communities and individuals.	Level 7
Assistant recording technician		Work on the technical aspect of recording. This requires balancing and adjusting sound sources using equalization and audio effects, mixing, reproduction and reinforcement of sound, according to a 'sound brief'. Check that brief is delivered by engaging with artists and clients.	Level 4
Blacksmith		Produce large or small-scale work ranging from architectural ironwork such as public art sculptures, gates and railings, to domestic decorative and functional objects such as furniture, fireplace tools, and mirror frames. Also produce tools such as tongs for the forge, wood turning tools and industrial tools such as spanners or forged components.	Level 3
Journalist		Find, research and create journalistic content tailored to brand needs and target audience in a deadline driven environment. Content can include: news, features, reviews, documentaries, covering live events, researching data, shooting, recording and editing video, recording and editing audio interviews and creating podcasts.	Level 5
Junior advertising creative		Work on campaigns that provide people with information most effective to the target audience to help them make better informed decisions. Create adverts to encourage people to buy products, change their behaviour (for example to wear seatbelts or stop smoking), give to charitable causes or even effect social change (for example, reducing the use of single use plastic).	Level 3
Leather craftsperson		Produce the leather or manufacture leather goods for a number of markets from sporting pursuits, such as equestrian, golf and cricket applications, to high-end retail luxury goods, such as handbags luggage and lifestyle accessories.	Level 2



# Higher and Degree Vacancy Listing

Highlighting apprentice opportunities at level 4 and above

The Higher and Degree Vacancy Listing is a bi-annual publication featuring apprenticeship opportunities at level 4 and above. The latest edition launched on 17th October and highlights over 250 opportunities from a wide range of employers across the country including Rolls-Royce, PwC UK, Mace group and JCB, recruiting for a 2024 start. If your child is considering a higher or degree level apprenticeship they will find the listing an invaluable source of information including vacancy locations, salary details and direct application links



Download the Higher & Degree listing in PDF format here:  
<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/higher-degree-listing/>



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## What are higher and degree apprenticeship vacancies?

Higher apprenticeships range from level 4 to 7 and are equivalent to a foundation degree up to a Master's. They are a suitable option for progression from a level 3 qualification (e.g. advanced apprenticeships, A-levels, T Levels or BTECs).

Degree apprenticeships are available at level 6 (equivalent to a full bachelor's degree) and level 7 (postgraduate, equivalent to a Master's). Both higher and degree apprenticeships combine work with study and may include a work-based, academic or combined qualification, or a professional qualification relevant to the industry.

## Can my child apply for a higher or degree apprenticeship whilst also applying to university?

Yes, your child can apply for apprenticeships whilst also submitting a UCAS application for full-time university study. This allows them to keep their options open while they consider their preferred route.

## Who pays the tuition fees when your child completes a higher or degree apprenticeship?

Tuition fees are paid for by your child's employer and the Government. They will be learning whilst earning a salary from day one.



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For a full list of live apprenticeship vacancies browse the government website at:  
[www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship](http://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship)

# Everything you need to know about the future of T Levels

Following the announcement of a new qualification currently in development, what is the Advanced British Standard?



**At the Conservative Party Conference in October Prime Minister Rishi Sunak announced that a new qualification, the Advanced British Standard, is currently in development. Here we explore what that means for T Levels.**

## What is the new qualification?

The proposed qualification, the Advanced British Standard, has four main aims:

- To remove the separation between technical and academic qualifications, taking the high-quality, employer-led occupational standards of T Levels and combining them with the knowledge content of A- levels.
- To increase taught hours for students aged 16-19 by 15%.
- To ensure that every young person studies some form of English and maths to age 18.
- To increase the number of different subjects that students study when they are aged 16-19. Students will choose a combination of five subjects, referred to as 'major' or 'minor' according to depth.

## When will students start studying the Advanced British Standard?

The Advanced British Standard is currently in the early stages of development as it is a long-term reform which will take around a decade to introduce.

## Should my child continue with their plans to take a T Level?

Yes, T Levels remain a robust, well-respected high-quality technical option and more courses will continue to be rolled out throughout the development of the Advanced British Standard. T Levels have been designed with leading employers, so your child can be confident they are taking a qualification which prioritises the skills that businesses need and that will continue to be relevant.

Robert Halfon MP, Minister for skills, apprenticeships and higher education, addressed the future of T Levels in an article published in FE Week on 10 October:

"I share the vision of the Prime Minister and the Education Secretary to bring about parity of esteem between academic and technical education. This is why T Levels were first introduced, and why we have made significant investment in apprenticeships, including degree apprenticeships, to broaden options and get people to take technical education seriously.

This is not the end of T Levels, which will be the backbone of the new qualification. Thousands of young people who have completed T Levels have gone on to apprenticeships, jobs with top employers, and places at university. This year, over 90% of T Level students passed, and over 95% completed an industry placement before getting their final results.

We will not hold back T Levels' growth and development, or our wider reforms to technical qualifications. More T Level courses will be rolled out, and students will be encouraged to consider these options. Let's not forget that, since launching in 2020, tens of thousands of students have already successfully enrolled in these high-quality qualifications."



Find out more about the Advanced British Standard at: <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2023/10/05/the-advanced-british-standard-everything-you-need-to-know/>



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Find out more about T Levels at: <https://www.tlevels.gov.uk/>



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# Apprenticeships in the news

Find out what has been in the news from the world of apprenticeships

## 'The Big Ambition' Survey

The 'The Big Ambition' survey is still ongoing. This important survey launched on 14 September and aims to hear from all children and young people (aged 0 to 18) across England on what they think is important. The Children's Commissioner wants to ensure that the government hears young people's voices in the run up to the next general election.

### How can the survey be completed?

There are four versions of the survey with slight adjustments for age and ability. It can be completed on a mobile phone, tablet, laptop or computer. Parents are encouraged to complete the survey for those who may need additional support and on behalf of younger children (under 6) to make sure the needs of all children are represented. Anyone unable to complete online can complete a downloaded print copy at <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/the-big-ambition>. Responses can then either be inputted by someone else, emailed or posted. The survey takes around 10 minutes to complete.

### When must the survey be completed by?

The survey closes on Friday 15th December. The data will then be analysed and the survey findings will be reported in 2024.



Find out more at:- <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/the-big-ambition>



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## Opportunities for all in Early Years

### Early years educator apprenticeships – recruitment campaign



As part of the Spring Budget 2023, the Government announced large-scale reforms to significantly increase the number of parents entitled to funded childcare support. By 1st September 2025, all working parents of children from age 9

months will be eligible for 30 hours of childcare.

The Department for Education has recently launched a campaign promoting Early Years Educator apprenticeships. It aims to encourage people to consider training for

a career in the early years and childcare workforce in anticipation of the extended entitlements being introduced from April 2024. This campaign is the start of a drive to encourage people across the country to consider and then apply for a role in early years/childcare. A national recruitment campaign will launch in early 2024.

If your child would like to earn as they learn in a fun environment, while advancing their professional development, they may want to consider an apprenticeship in Early Years education. And if the opportunity to build on your experience as a parent and learn valuable skills also appeals to you, you can find out more about becoming an Early Years apprentice at:

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/apprentices/early-years-educator>



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More information on the changes coming to 30 hours childcare support in England and Universal Credit for Childcare in England, Scotland, and Wales can be found here:- <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>



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## 2023 Multicultural Apprenticeship Awards winners revealed

The 5th October 2023 saw the 8th anniversary of the Multicultural Apprenticeship Awards which seek to recognise talent and diversity in apprenticeships, honouring those working hard to overcome adversity to achieve their goals through apprenticeships. The 30 awards, across 16 different categories, highlight the achievements of apprentices and the contribution of employers and learning providers who have assisted them along their journey. A panel of 20 expert judges reviewed over 450 submissions to select the winners this year.

Joseph Lennox was named Apprentice of the Year. Joseph, working as an apprentice with His Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC), was recognised for his outstanding performance at work, combined with ambassadorial work and apprenticeships advocacy. Having developed a passion for politics during Sixth Form, Joseph discovered Civil Service policy apprenticeships whilst researching online and realised it was an ideal gateway into the world of politics where he could make a real difference. As a Senior Strategy Advisor, his work has seen him involved in numerous projects within HMRC, including the development of policy for the Chancellor's Spring Statement. Outside of his day-to-day role, Joseph is the Regional Lead for the HMRC Apprenticeship Network where he mentors new apprentices on their career journey, as well as being a governor for a local school.



To coincide with the event a collection of short films (each around 2 to 3 minutes) featuring the apprenticeship journeys of over 50 inspirational apprentices has been uploaded to the Multicultural Apprenticeship Award's YouTube channel. Visit:- <https://www.youtube.com/@MCAppAwards> to view.



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For a full list of winners and more information about the evening visit:- <https://multiculturalapprenticeshipawards.co.uk>



## T Levels Celebration Week - 2nd – 6th October 2023

T Levels Celebration Week provided an opportunity to celebrate this qualification which combines classroom-based learning with an industry placement.

Throughout the week students, teachers and employers shared their experiences to help raise awareness in their local areas and across the country. Providers showcased their courses, facilities and inspirational stories with the aim of encouraging more employers to offer industry placements and inspiring students to register for September 2024 and beyond.

**Minister for Skills, Apprenticeships and Higher Education, Robert Halfon said:**

"T Levels are a great way for students to climb the ladder of opportunity towards a successful career with the right skills, confidence and career adaptability needed to thrive in the workplace.

"There are now 18 high-quality T Levels available, including agriculture and legal services, with more providers coming on board helping thousands of young people to unlock their potential. By establishing strong ties between education providers and employers, we are shaping individuals who can align with a company's values whilst building a skilled and versatile workforce ready to tackle the problems of tomorrow."



Visit this link to find a school or college offering T Levels near you: <https://www.tlevels.gov.uk/students/find>



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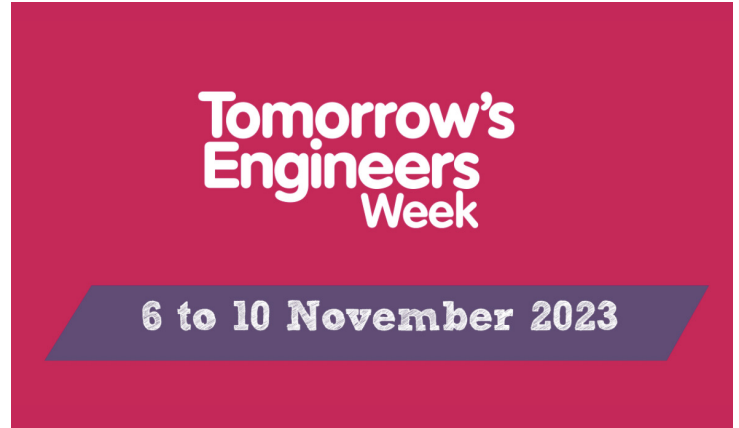
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# Apprenticeships in engineering

Explore apprenticeship opportunities in engineering and manufacturing

Tomorrow's Engineers Week took place from 6th to 10th November 2023 and shone a spotlight on engineering, engineering careers and engineering professionals. If your child is interested in how things work and would enjoy a hands-on role, an apprenticeship in engineering could provide them with a practical route into a career with opportunities at all levels and career paths across a range of industries including:-

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| <b>Aerospace</b>    | <b>Broadcasting</b> | <b>Civil engineering</b>  |
| <b>Construction</b> | <b>Mechanical</b>   | <b>Telecommunications</b> |
| <b>Transport</b>    | <b>Marine</b>       | <b>Energy</b>             |




For resources and inspiration about the variety of apprenticeship opportunities within engineering visit <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/engineering/>

## What are the core skills for an apprenticeship in engineering?

Whilst roles vary widely according to industry, there are core skills essential to a career in engineering which apply to all industries. Amongst these are:-

- Problem solving
- Attention to detail
- Ability to work under pressure
- Strong mathematical skills
- Teamwork
- Creative thinking
- Communication skills



## What are the benefits of completing an apprenticeship in engineering?

Engineers are in high demand. Completing a qualification in engineering could give your child access to a wide range of opportunities with excellent possibilities for further training leading to career progression within engineering.



Find out more about apprenticeships in engineering at: <https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org>

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## Examples of apprenticeships in engineering



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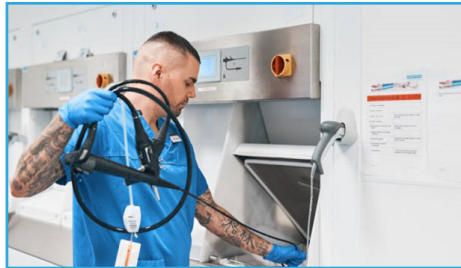
### Level 2

**Duration: 12 months**

Carry out a range of engineering operations which could include ensuring machines and equipment used are maintained and serviceable, dealing with breakdowns, and restoring components and systems to serviceable condition by repair and replacement. Must comply with statutory regulations and organisation safety requirements including any environmental compliance procedures and systems.

#### Responsibilities in this role:

- Carry out fault location on appropriate equipment using suitable maintenance diagnostic techniques.
- Carry out maintenance activities in line with work instructions.
- Carry out tests on the maintained equipment in accordance with test schedule/defined test procedures.
- Follow appropriate completion activities and restore equipment to service by replacing or repairing components.



**HEALTHCARE ENGINEERING  
SPECIALIST TECHNICIAN**

### Level 3

**Duration: 48 months**

Work in sites where healthcare engineering takes place. This includes hospitals, dental hospitals and practices, clinics, prisons, ambulance trusts, care centres, health centres, hospices, GP practices, and mental health hospitals and secure units. Work in clinical settings and often have contact with patients. May complete work where patients are present or where the medical device is connected to the patient.

#### Responsibilities in this role:

- Identify faults with healthcare equipment and services and action needed.
- Handover and provide technical and regulatory advice to clinical staff, administrators and/or managers on healthcare engineering equipment and services.
- Complete documentation for healthcare engineering specialist work. For example, risk assessments, equipment service records, and test results.



**ENGINEER  
SURVEYOR**

### Level 4

**Duration: 24 months**

Responsible for the inspection of millions of items of equipment every year, the purpose of the occupation is to keep people safe carrying out engineering inspections to ensure safe continued use of the equipment. This occupation requires practical experience, technical ability, strong customer communication skills and the confidence to make professional judgements.

#### Responsibilities in this role:

- Liaise and communicate with clients to provide guidance and information about any defects in their equipment.
- Formulate and produce clearly written, technically accurate inspection reports.
- Act on behalf of the company making full use of technical expertise when required, in order to advise clients and stakeholders regarding inspection requirements.

Find out more about apprenticeships in engineering at:  
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# Higher Technical Qualifications (HTQs)

Delivering the skills employers need

**Higher Technical Qualifications (HTQs) are a great way to get the skills employers want and provide a route to well-paid, secure and sustainable jobs.**

## What are HTQs?

Employers need more people qualified in the skills that enable them to grow their businesses and the economy. HTQs are at the forefront of the drive to ensure more people are qualified at higher technical levels. HTQs give employers a voice at the heart of the skills system as they help develop the standards that qualifications are assessed against. With employers telling us what skills they need and what 'quality' means, students can have confidence that taking an HTQ will be an investment in themselves, and in the future.

## What type of qualification is an HTQ?

Several different types of qualifications are approved as HTQs and the way they are structured depends on the length of the course, the provider, whether you undertake them full or part time and which subject you are studying. Existing qualifications that have already been approved as HTQs because they meet employers' needs include some Higher National Certificates (HNC), Higher National Diplomas (HND) and some Foundation degrees. Note that only approved qualifications display the HTQ logo.

## Are HTQs available in a wide range of occupations?

Yes, qualifications in Digital, Construction, Design & Build and Health & Science have already been approved with Business & Administration, Education & Early Years, Engineering & Manufacturing and Legal, Finance & Accounting available from September 2024. More HTQs will be added each year.

## When can you start an HTQ?

You have to be at least 18 to undertake an HTQ. They can be taken after achieving level 3 qualifications, such as A-levels, T Levels, BTECs or some advanced apprenticeships. They offer a great deal of flexibility for a variety of learners, including the possibility to study full or part time.

## Do you have to pay tuition fees for HTQs?

If an HTQ is undertaken as a standalone qualification tuition fees will apply, which will vary depending on the course but likely to be around £7,000 to £9,250 a year for a one-year or two-year course. HTQs attract the same student finance as degree study. This means eligible students can access tuition fee and maintenance loans on a part-time and full-time basis.



To gain a clearer understanding of HTQs and what they can offer your child you can register for the following free webinar using this link: <https://amazingapprenticeships.com/workshops-webinars/>



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**Wed 24th Apr 2024 18:00** 'How to research and apply for HTQs'

Or catch up on a previous webinar that covers everything you need to know 'Getting to grips with HTQs' via the following link:

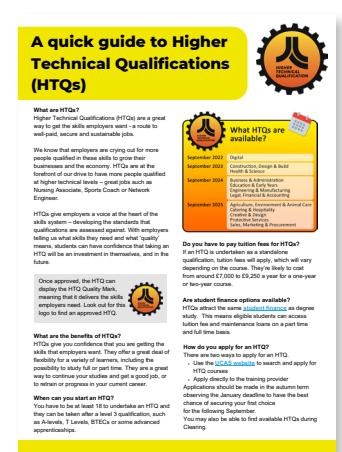
<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resource/getting-to-grips-with-htqs/>



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Find out more about HTQs from the following guides:

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2023/10/HTQs-one-page-guide.pdf>

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2023/10/Higher-Technical-Qualifications-guide.pdf>



# Coping with mental health difficulties

## Support available for apprentices

Mental health conditions such as anxiety, stress and depression can severely impact an apprentice's ability to fully engage with their training and / or carry out their duties at work and this may affect their chances of success. Studying whilst working can be challenging, particularly for those who have recently left full-time education. Both training providers and employers have a duty of care towards apprentices and support should be made available.

### What should my child do if they are struggling during their apprenticeship?

If your child is struggling with their studies, work, or both they should make their training provider and line manager aware straight away. They can expect to be treated with understanding and compassion.

### What kind of support is available for apprentices struggling with their mental health?

Once your child's training provider and employer are aware of their difficulties they can offer your child appropriate support and flexibility. This could include:

- Reviewing their workload
- Reviewing their training schedule
- A break in learning
- A change of working hours
- Support with other problems that may be impacting on your child, e.g. financial worries or health issues
- Making reasonable adjustments to increase your child's chances of success

### What reasonable adjustments can be made for apprentices struggling with their mental health?

If your child is struggling with their mental health and this is impacting on their ability to cope with their workload or plan their studies, employers and training providers can make 'reasonable adjustments'. Some examples are:

- Assistance with time planning and help with work programming to alleviate stress
- Access to mentoring and study skills support
- Support from welfare and counselling staff
- Named contact to go to for support when necessary
- Flexibility in attendance and punctuality if treatments or therapies are tightly scheduled or during times when difficulties are worse than usual
- Confidentiality about their mental health condition



## \_able futures

Able Futures provide a Mental Health Support Service on behalf of the Department for Work and Pensions, offering support to people experiencing mental health conditions. To access the service, you must be aged 16 or over, live in England, Scotland or Wales and be in employment, including as an apprentice. The service provides access to mental health experts who can provide:

- Emotional wellbeing support and advice
- Advice on simple workplace adjustments
- Successful coping strategies
- A step-by-step support plan

The service also provides advice and resources to employers.

Find out more at:

<https://able-futures.co.uk/>



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For further information about reasonable adjustments visit:

<https://www.disabilityrightsuk.org/resources/adjustments-disabled-students-and-apprentices>



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# Green Careers Week 6th – 11th November

Exploring Green Careers



**Green Careers Week provides young people with an insight into careers that specifically protect the environment and help the UK achieve its pledge of reaching Net Zero by 2050.**

### Why are green careers important to young people?

Many young people are worried about climate change. According to a 2021 study by Bath University (speaking to 10,000 young adults across 10 countries including the UK) two-thirds of the 16-25 year olds surveyed were worried about climate change and three-quarters felt the future was frightening. Being involved in finding solutions to our environmental challenges can help restore confidence in a positive and sustainable future.

### What are green careers?

Green careers include roles within businesses that benefit the environment and conserve natural resources. There are opportunities across many fields including the built environment, energy, consultancy, farming, food production and distribution.

### What are green apprenticeships?

All apprenticeships have the potential to teach skills that support Net Zero, but green apprenticeships go a step further by involving tasks directly contributing to achieving Net Zero. Some examples of this are:-

- Sustainability business specialist – helps organisations, businesses, charities, the public sector and social enterprises to find new and innovative approaches and build resilience based on economically-sound, socially-friendly and environmentally-driven principles.
- Ecologist – analyses, interprets and evaluates relevant scientific information, concepts and ideas and uses these to develop surveys and investigations, write reports and propose solutions to problems.
- Countryside ranger – manages, maintains, conserves and protects the natural environment and inspires people about the natural environment, encouraging them to engage with their local green spaces.
- Forest craftsperson – carries out the practical operations required to create, maintain and harvest forests and woodlands.



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If your child is inspired by the prospect of a career with a positive impact you can find out more at:

<https://greencareersweek.com/>



If your child is interested in finding a green apprenticeship take a look at the Green Apprenticeship Rapid Read created by Amazing Apprenticeships:



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<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/resources/?green-careers=1>

# Dates for your diary

Free webinars throughout the year for teachers and parents/carers

As part of the Apprenticeship Support and Knowledge for Schools and Colleges programme (ASK), Amazing Apprenticeships are offering careers staff, teachers and parents/carers a schedule of free webinars throughout the year, to find out more about apprenticeships and how to support your child.

This series of informative webinars will provide an abundance of tips, advice and information from expert speakers across the apprenticeships and technical education world. Each webinar lasts for 30 minutes and will take place on Zoom. Participants are required to sign up before the session and will receive an email confirmation and a reminder an hour before it begins. The webinars will be recorded and shared with all registrants after the session.

Book your free place and catch up on recordings of all previous webinars here:

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## 2023

### Discover T Levels – everything you need to know



Monday 27th November 2023  
3:30pm

T Levels are a level 3 technical education option for students after their GCSEs and give students a head-start towards the career they want. Join this webinar to hear from Susan Chambers from the T Level Delivery Division at the Department for Education, to find out everything you need to know about T Levels.

### NAW 2024 – how to make the most of the resources

Thursday 14th December 2023  
3:30pm

National Apprenticeship Week is coming soon and there are many free and exciting resources on offer to help you engage and inspire your students/child. Find out more by joining this webinar.

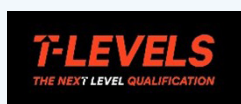
## 2024

### Everything you need to know – Autumn term round-up

Thursday 25th January 2024  
3:30pm

This termly update is the first in a series of key information webinars for teachers and careers leaders. Expert speakers from Amazing Apprenticeships and the DfE will highlight what's new in technical education and apprenticeships and will cover any recent changes in policy and funding.

### How to research and apply for T Levels



Monday 26th February 2024  
3:30pm

Join this webinar to hear from different T Level training providers about their application processes, and how students can be supported to research their options so that they can be certain that they are making the right choice in selecting a T Level.

### How to find and apply for apprenticeships

Thursday 29th February 2024  
3:30pm

A step-by-step guide to the different vacancy platforms for apprenticeships, including Find an Apprenticeship, and tips for the application process.

### How to impress in the application process

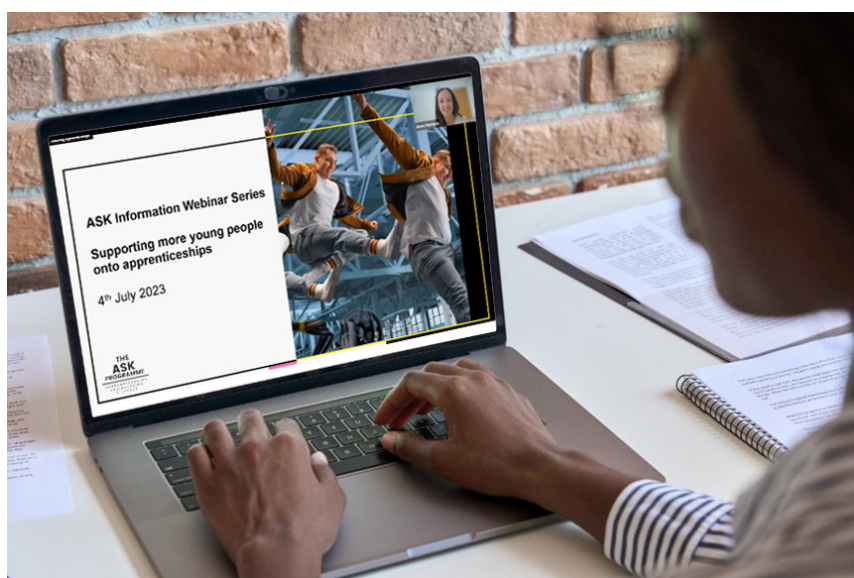
Thursday 21st March 2024  
3:30pm

Want some top tips from current apprentices and apprentice employers? Hear directly about the best ways to impress in the apprenticeship recruitment process.



## 2024

<p><b>How to research and apply for HTQs</b></p> 	<p>Wednesday 24th April 2024 6:00pm</p>	<p>If your child is looking for a post-18 qualification that is flexible, job-focussed and an excellent way to progress to a higher/degree apprenticeship, a full degree or a highly-skilled job, join us to find out more about HTQs.</p>
<p><b>Everything you need to know – Spring term round-up</b></p>	<p>Thursday 25th April 2024 3:30pm</p>	<p>This termly update is the second in a series of key information webinars for teachers and careers leaders. Expert speakers from Amazing Apprenticeships and the DfE will highlight what's new in technical education and apprenticeships and will cover any recent changes in policy and funding.</p>
<p><b>Why T Levels are a fantastic choice</b></p> 	<p>Thursday 16th May 2024 3:30pm</p>	<p>Join this webinar to hear directly from T Level students about their T Level journeys and why they are an excellent option.</p>
<p><b>Apprentice stories</b></p>	<p>Thursday 23rd May 2024 3:30pm</p>	<p>Hear from real life apprentices who will share their experiences of being an apprentice, how they found their vacancy, what a typical day looks like and the benefits of doing an apprenticeship.</p>
<p><b>How to promote and support apprenticeships and technical education in your school or college.</b></p>	<p>Thursday 20th June 2024 3:30pm</p>	<p>Top tips and ideas for promoting apprenticeships and technical education, and supporting students, parents, carers and staff to understand the options.</p>
<p><b>Everything you need to know – Summer term round-up</b></p>	<p>Thursday 11th July 2024 3:30pm</p>	<p>This termly update is the third in a series of key information webinars for teachers and careers leaders. Expert speakers from Amazing Apprenticeships and the DfE will highlight what's new in technical education and apprenticeships and will cover any recent changes in policy and funding.</p>



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