LESSON 3: UCAS THINKING ABOUT APPRENTICESHIPS

OBJECTIVE:

Help your students to recognise how valuable an apprenticeship could be in their career journey.

UCAS HUB: TOOLS AND RESOURCES

- Industry Guides
- Career Finder

LESSON ACTIVITIES:

- All three activities can be completed independently in short 20-minute sessions or be combined for one 60-minute lesson.
- · Students should have individual computer access.
- Your lesson pack contains questions about apprenticeships and a skills/careers framework for activity two.





20 mins 60 mins

Individual computers

ACTIVITIES AND OUTCOMES:

Activity	Time	Student outcome	Lesson activities
1	20 mins	Can describe what an apprenticeship is and list the benefits.	 In groups, students use our apprenticeship web pages to research and answer questions about apprenticeships. Class discussion where your students think about as many benefits of doing an apprenticeship as they can.
2	20 mins	Can describe an industry they would be interested in doing an apprenticeship in and explain their reasons.	 Students choose two industries to explore from our Industry Guides. They think about some of the skills and careers linked to the industry they are interested in. Favourite the careers they like the most on the UCAS Hub. In groups, your students explain the type of work that interested them the most and why.
3	20 mins	Identify the skills an apprenticeship could help them develop.	 Students visit UCAS Career Finder, select a specialism that interests them, and look at roles in that area. They then choose two live apprenticeship opportunities to explore and compare. They read the job roles, focusing on the knowledge, skills, and behaviours they might learn and develop. Comparing the list of skills for each advert, they create a list of key skills they would gain from each opportunity, such as project management or customer service experience.

GATSBY BENCHMARKS:

- \boxdot A stable careers programme.
- ☑ Learning from career and labour market information.

CDI FRAMEWORK:

- Grow throughout life: Considering what learning pathway they should pursue next.
- Explore possibilities: Recognising the main learning pathways and considering which one they want to follow, and how they will access and succeed in it.

RESOURCES:

Use the QR code or web link to download the lesson pack you'll need. This includes:

- ☑ Full teacher guide.
- ☑ Lesson slide deck for the classroom.
- Student handbook for you to photocopy.



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