

Plan for Jobs - Accessing Funding through Skills Initiatives

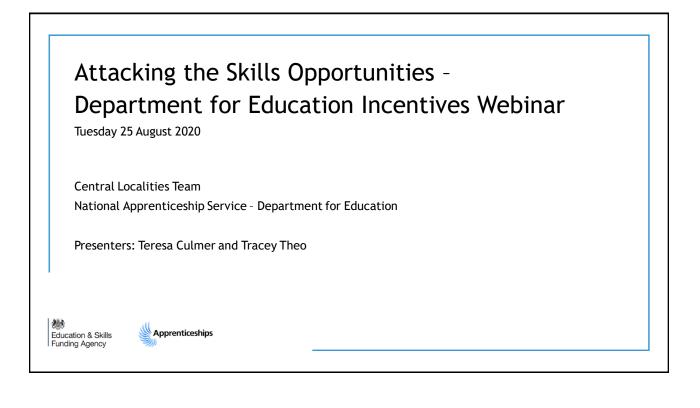
AGENDA

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- **Tracey Theo** and **Teresa Culmer**, *Education and Skills Funding Agency* Skills Opportunities e.g. Apprenticeships, Traineeships and more
- Anna Sutton, Strategic Development Network T-Levels
- **Rekha Patel** Education and Skills Funding Agency Will be monitoring the chat box and answering your questions throughout

Please note that this session will be recorded and will be available on the NDNA website with the presentation slides.

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Reference/information sources:

Plan for Jobs

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/a-plan-for-jobs-documents

• Apprenticeship Programme Response to COVID-19 (version 7)

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-apprenticeship-programme-response

Apprenticeships Funding Policy 2020/21

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apprenticeship-funding

Apprenticeship Funding Rules 2020/21

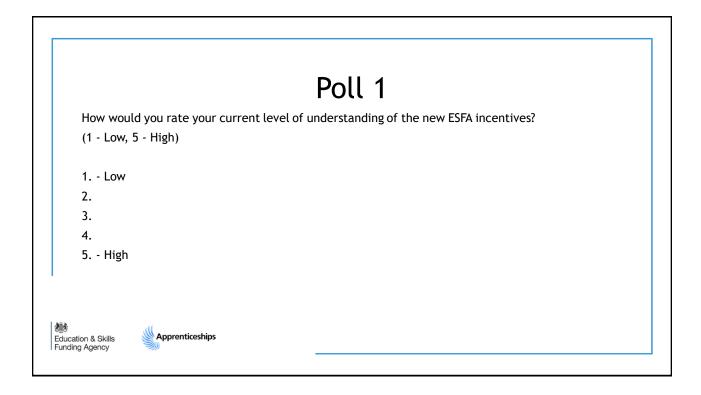
https://www.gov.uk/guidance/apprenticeship-funding-rules

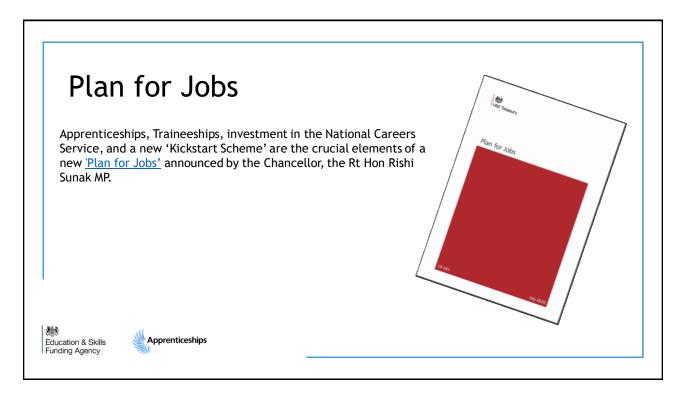
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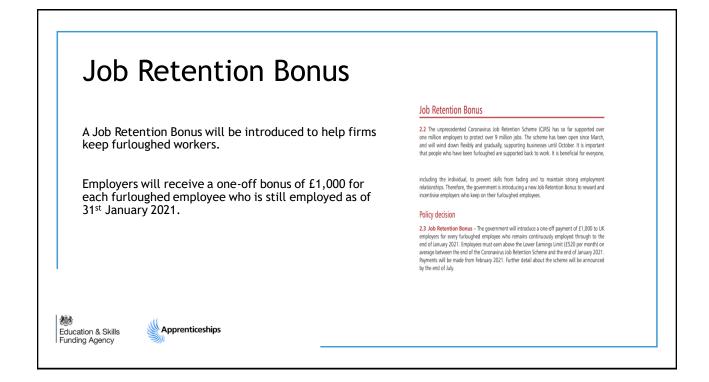
https://www.gov.uk/guidance/traineeship-information-for-employers

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Apprenticeships







https://	www.gov.uk/guidance/incentive-payments-for-hiring-a-new-apprentice (10/08/20)
Governn	ncellor announced that for the next six months (1 August 2020 - 31 January 2021), the nent will pay businesses to hire apprentices, a new payment of £2,000 per apprentice e under the age of 25 and £1,500 for those aged 25 and over.
Apprenti redunda	ces cannot be existing employees but can be existing apprentices who have been made nt by another employer - allowing access to a wider talent pool
This mor new 16- plan.	ey is in addition to the existing £1,000 payment the Government already provides for 18 year old apprentices and those aged under 25 with an Education, Health and Care
new app	tal Apprenticeship Service (AS) is to be used to claim incentive payments for hiring a rentice from 1 September 2020 (Apprenticeship start date must be between 1 st August 2020 January 2021 inclusive)

Apprenticeships - incentives contd.: (pg. 2 of 4)

Non-levy employers - can access the incentive payments via digital Apprenticeship Service for any new apprentice they recruit with a start date from 1 August 2020.

Increase in the number of reservations available per employer account from 3 to 10 for FY 20-21. This change will come into effect on Wednesday 15 July (subject to review based on monitoring of activity through the service).

Greater flexibility on transfers: Individual employers have control over where apprenticeship funds are spent to meet their current and future skills needs. **Combined Authorities, sector bodies and** Local Enterprise Partnerships can work with large employers to encourage more effective use of their uncommitted levy funds.

Levy-paying employers: can transfer up to 25% of the annual value funds in their apprenticeship service accounts to other employers, including Apprenticeship Training Agencies.

Support with AS account: Employer choice for level of involvement in AS to access incentives. Training providers can help SMEs do this.





Apprenticeships - incentives contd.: (pg. 3 of 4)

Employers can use the incentive funding to help meet any of the costs associated with supporting a new apprentice in their workplace: including facilities, uniforms, and apprentice travel.

It can also contribute towards meeting the costs of an apprentice's wages.

The money will be paid in two instalments, 50% of the total paid at roughly 90 days from the apprentice's start date, and the remaining 50% paid roughly 365 days from the apprentice's start date, subject to the apprentice still being in employment (with the same employer) and undertaking their apprenticeship at these times.

Payments are made about 4-6 weeks after the eligible date to allow for data and evidence checks. <u>The first payments will be in January 2021.</u>

Employers will be able to make a claim from 1 September 2020, and once there is a contract of employment and apprenticeship agreement in place, as for any other funding support we currently offer.

Only starts funded through the apprenticeship service will be eligible for this payment, so smaller employers who have previously accessed apprenticeship funding through legacy contracts will need to register for an account.





Apprenticeships - incentives contd.: (pg. 4 of 4)

Regardless of their levy-paying status, all employers will be required to register their financial details in order to receive the two instalments directly. Further information on the registration process will be available in due course.

There is no overall limit to the number of payments each employer can claim for apprentices eligible to receive funding, provided each apprentice meets the criteria, including being a new employee.





Apprenticeships - Information and contact

Apprenticeships - employer hub: Real stories

https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/real-stories/employer#

National Apprenticeship Service

Telephone: 08000 150 600

Monday to Friday: 8a.m. to 8p.m.

Upcoming Webinars:

https://www.gotostage.com/channel/apprenticeshipservicewebinars

Employers: How to apply for an incentive payment for hiring a new apprentice Thu, Sep 10, 2020 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM BST https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2121927008306839309

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Traineeships contd.

More placements to be made available for 16-24 year olds who are not ready or able to secure an apprenticeship or job, but who are looking for a work-based rather than classroom-based offer. The new additional funding will pay for 30,000 Traineeship work placements in 2020/21

Greater flexibility for the programme for learners, providers and employers: Increased maximum programme duration increased from 6 to 12 months, allowing learners more time to achieve a full qualification (a minimum of 6 weeks on programme and expectation of a 6 month minimum Traineeship programme still in place)

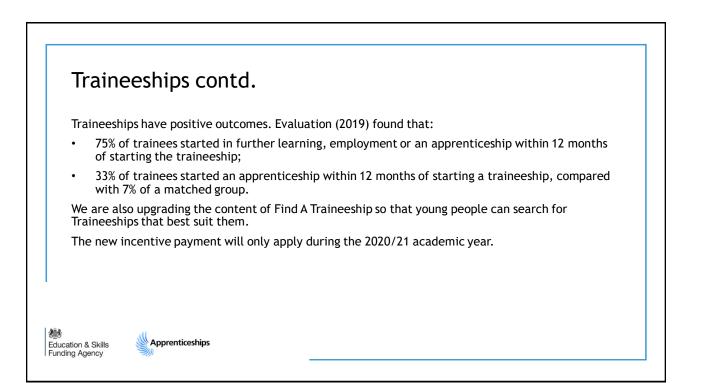
Reduction in required work experience from 100 to 70 hours (where a provider is satisfied learner has gained sufficient work skills) therefore appealing for more employers to offer a placement. The work placement element of a traineeship could last between min. 70 hours and max. 240 hours over the course of the traineeship.

Prior attainment flexibility: Post September 2020, Young People who already have a Level 3 qualification are eligible for the programme if they require support to access apprenticeships or employment (this was previously set at prior attainment at Level 2)

Employer incentives: New or expanding employers **can claim incentive payments of £1,000 for up to 10 learners to help with employer costs** (such as administration, equipment, set up costs for example)







Traineeships - Information and contact

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/traineeship-information-for-employers

Contact the National Apprenticeship Service (NAS) <u>nationalhelpdesk@findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk</u> Telephone 0800 015 0600 for advice and support on traineeships.

The NAS can help you set up a traineeship and put it on Find a traineeship.

You can <u>contact a local training provider</u> directly to design a traineeship. The training provider will publicise the traineeship for you.



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	Cost to Employer	Incentives	Training	Duration	Eligibility
Apprenticeships	Wages of the apprentice 5% of the cost of training for 19+ apprentices (note this can be supported by a levy transfer)	Available until 31 January £3,000* - 16-18 £2,000 - 19-24 £1,500 - 25+ No Employer NI contributions for 16- 24 * Inc existing 16-18 incentive	20% of on an Apprenticeships content is training away from the workplace	At least 12 Months	Any Age, must be a new hire to be eligible for the incentive
Traineeships	No cost	From September 2020 £1,000 (limit of 10 Traineeships per employer)	Employability Training, help with Maths and English	Minimum 70 hours work experience. Duration can be between 6 weeks and 12 months	16-24 with a level 3 or below
Kickstart	No Cost	100% of wages are subsidised at NMW for up to 25 hours, NI contributions and auto enrolment cost	ТВС	26 weeks work placement	Receiving Universal Credit and at risk of Long Term unemployment

Plan for Jobs - other aspects

The Chancellor highlighted:

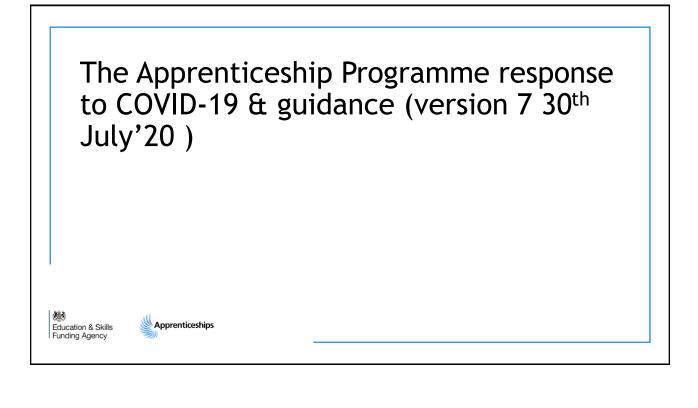
- £17 million of funding to triple the number of sector-based work academy placements in 2020-21
- Almost £900 million to double the number of work coaches in DWP to 27,000
- National Careers Service over a quarter of a million more young people to benefit from an extra £32 million investment

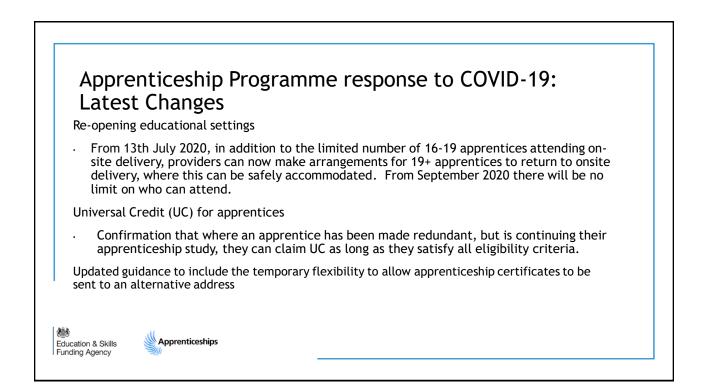
Department of Health and Social Care (announced 10/08/20)

£172m additional funding for up to 2,000 Nursing Degree apprenticeships. £8.3k/apprentice/year over 4 years

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Apprenticeship Programme response to COVID-19: Latest Changes
End point assessment (EPA) flexibilities are extended until the end of the year.
Level 2 suspension extension
 The temporary flexibility suspending the funding rule requiring level 2 apprentices to study towards, and attempt, level 2 functional skills assessments has been extended until 31st December 2020
Support service for redundant apprentices (referenced in V7 - detail 1st August 2020)
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Supporting Redundant Apprentices

Service to support redundant apprentices launched on 1 August 2020.

Three elements:

- advice and guidance
- signposting to other services
- vacancy sharing service.

We need the support of employers to make the vacancy sharing service work and for businesses to register vacancies.

Simple online form to be completed.

Employer incentive applies to hiring redundant apprentices.

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Supporting Redundant Apprentices

We will be sharing the first wave of vacancies with redundant apprentices who have registered for the service on 17 August.

To be included in the first set of vacancies, employers need to log opportunities by 12 August.

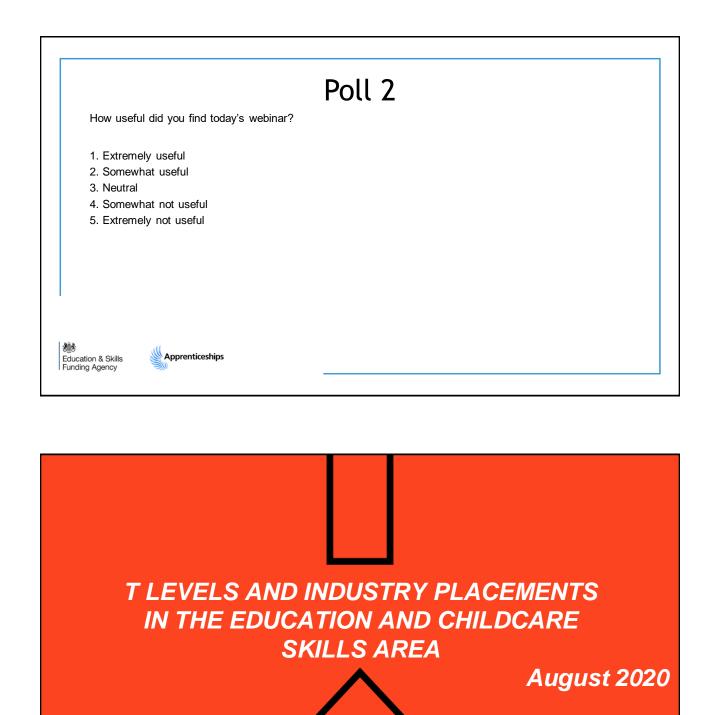
Subsequently, we will share new vacancies every 2 weeks.

https://apprentice-support.apprenticeships.education.gov.uk/employer

Good early response from large and SME employers.

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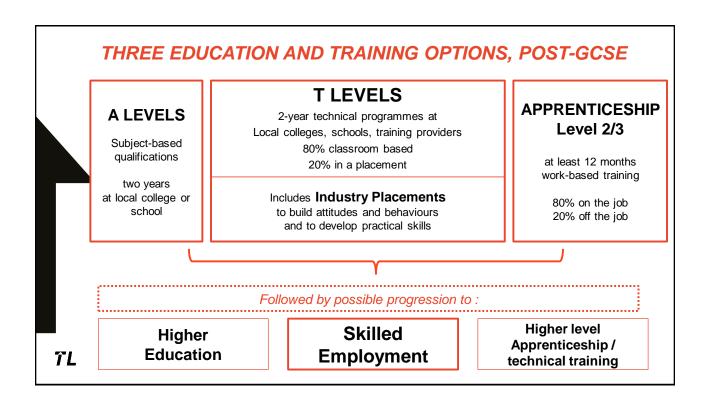


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WHICH T LEVELS WILL THERE BE, AND WHEN?

AUTUMN 2020

- · Design, surveying and planning for construction
- · Digital production, design and development
- Education and childcare

AUTUMN 2021

- · Building services engineering for construction
- · Digital business services
- · Digital support and services
- Health
- · Healthcare science
- Onsite construction
- Science

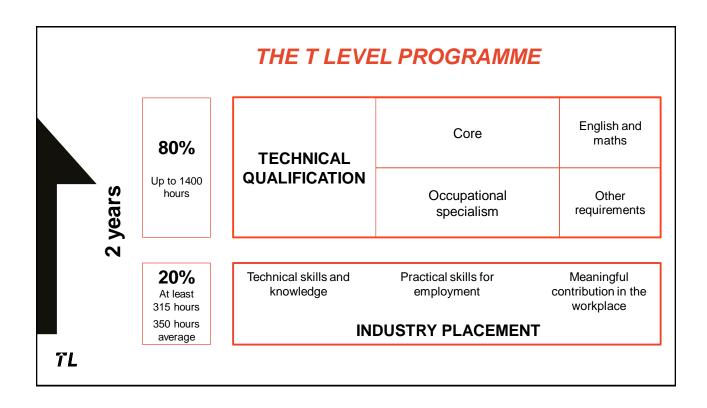
AUTUMN 2022

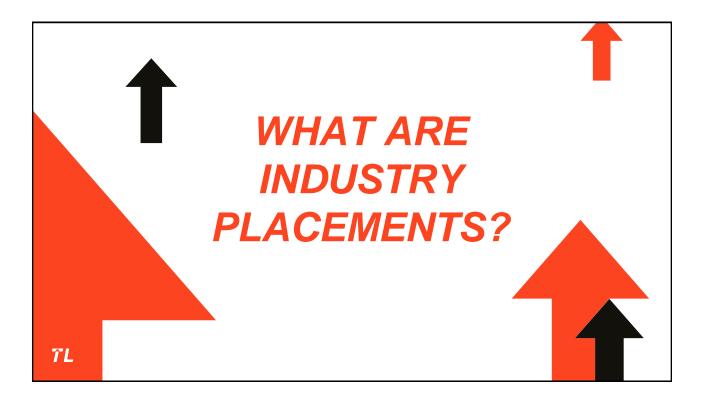
- Accounting
- Design, development for engineering and manufacturing
- · Engineering, manufacturing processing and control
- Finance
- Maintenance, installation and repair for engineering and construction
- Management and administration

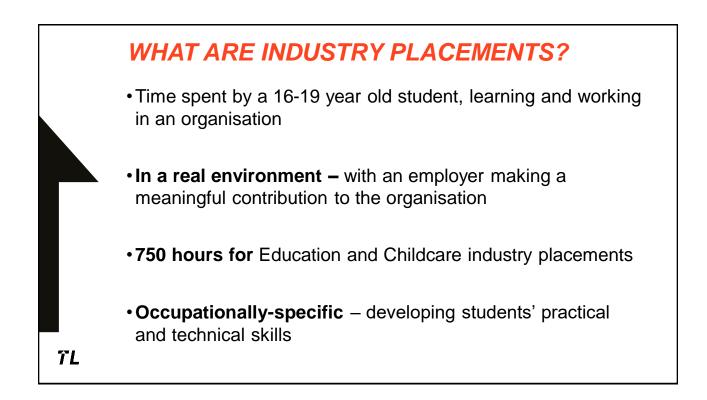
AUTUMN 2023

- Animal care and management
- Agriculture, land management and production
- Catering
 - Craft and design
- · Hair, beauty and aesthetics
- · Human resources
- Legal
- Media, broadcast and production

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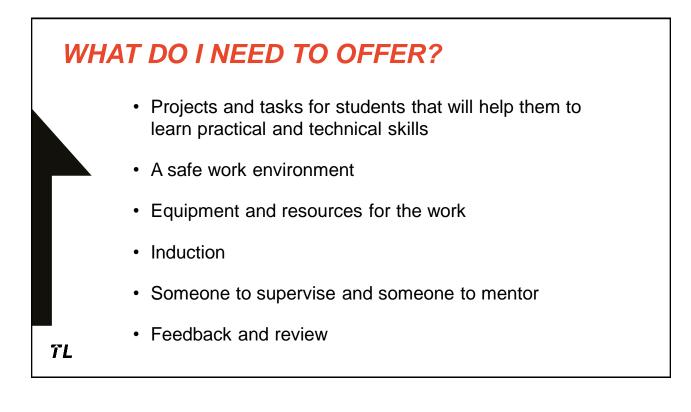








PRACTICALITIESSuch as...• Safeguarding• Technology• Equality• Health and safety



EXAMPLES OF SUITABLE INDUSTRY PLACEMENT TASKS

LEARNING ASSISTANT SUPPORT

- Supervised learning assistant one to one support for SEND pupils
- Maintain educational resources
- · Contribute to the evaluation of the SEND support programme

CHILDCARE CENTRE

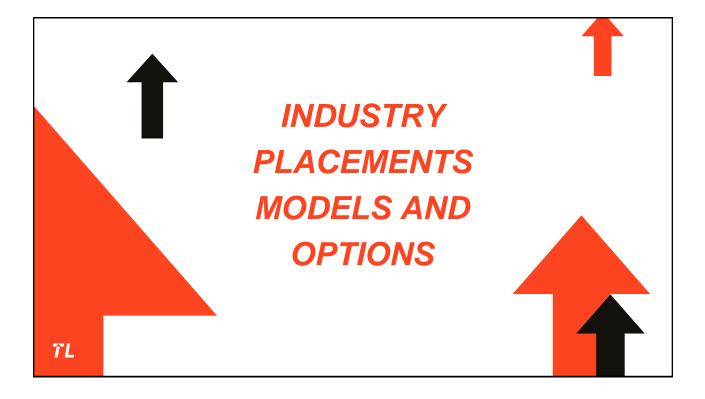
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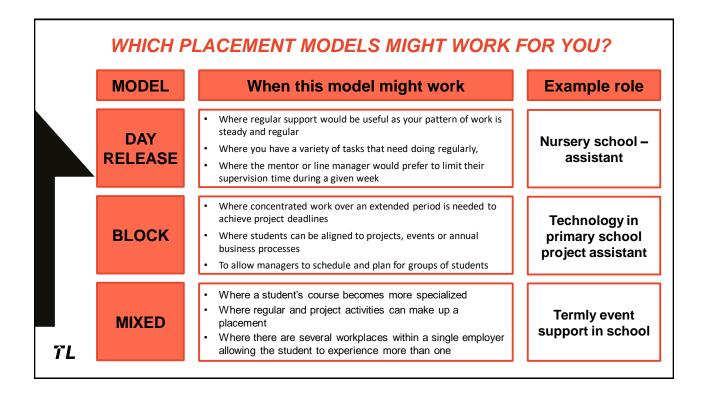
- In line with EYFS curriculum, devise and deliver a play based activity for the pupils
- Understand and review relevant legislation and policies and how they are used in the setting
- Run regular singalong sessions supporting children's development in speech, language and communication

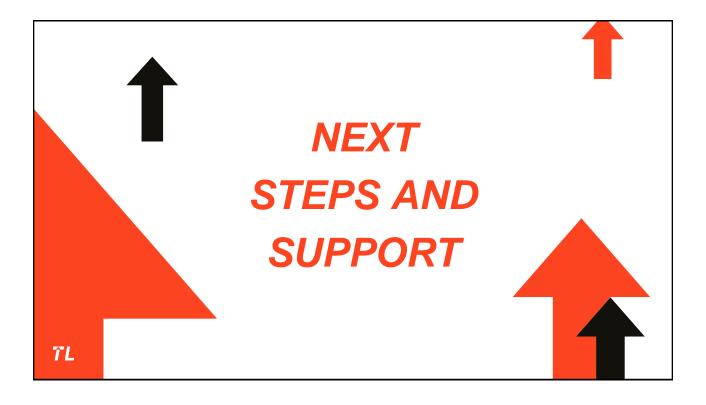
EARLY YEARS TEACHING ASSISTANT SUPPORT

- Set up resources for pupils appropriate to their learning objectives
- With supervision, assess work completed and provide feedback to children
- Help to supervise child led play and outdoor learning experiences









SUPPORT WITH:

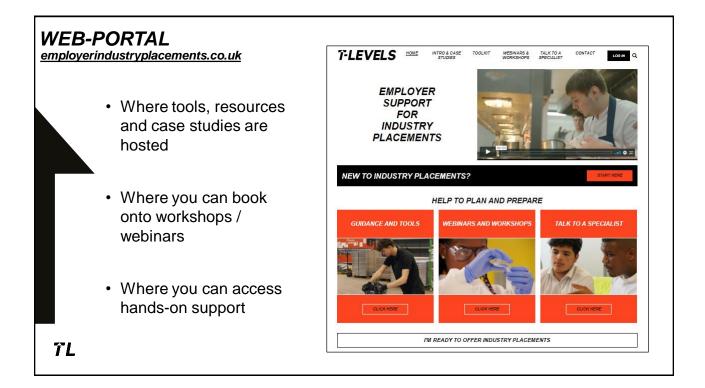
- · Understanding and deciding whether to offer industry placements
- Planning industry placements
- Delivering industry placements

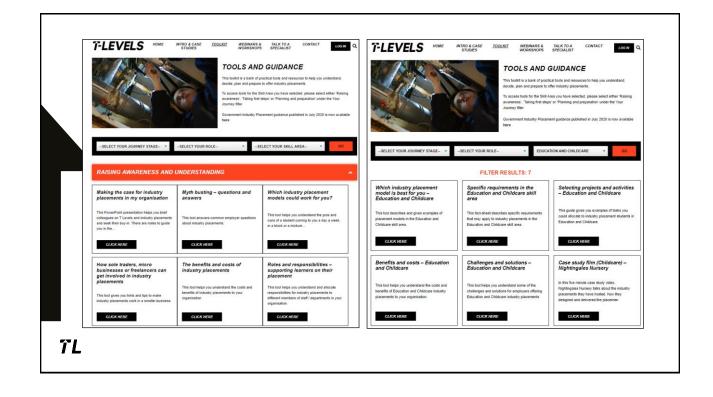
employerindustryplacements.co.uk

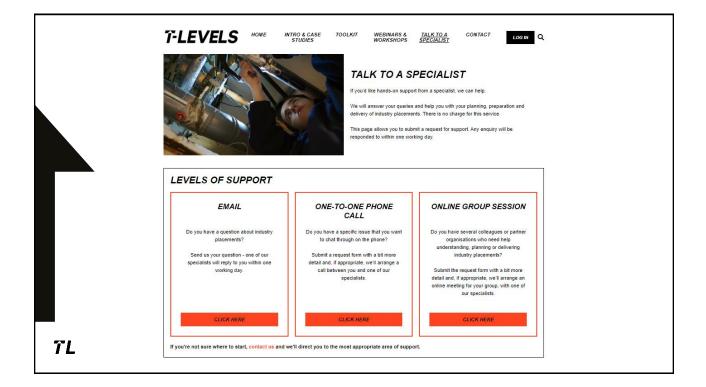
- Tools
- Events
- Advice

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QUESTION? If you chose to offer a work placement what timescale do you think this might be within? 1. Already offering 2. 3-6 months 3. 6-12 months 4. After 1 year

IF YOU'RE READY TO TAKE ON A STUDENT...

For help finding local students for industry placements:

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP SERVICE

08000 150 600 (choose option 4) tlevel.placement@education.gov.uk

YOU MIGHT ALSO TALK TO:

- Local colleges or schools
- Business organisations
- *TL* Other businesses







industry placements at www.tlevels.gov.uk. SDN Enterprises Ltd (trading as SDN) has tried to ensure that the information and advice we give is accurate. However, SDN will not accept liability for any loss, damage or inconvenience arising as a consequence of any use of or the inability to use any information or advice given.



Final Questions

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