

BUSINESS, FINANCE AND CUSTOMER SERVICES

The biggest and best companies in this sector are looking for people with high motivation and enthusiasm. Some jobs within finance and business demand commitment, long hours and hard work but the effort can be rewarding. Other roles require a high level of customer service and sometimes shift work.



Presenter: Rupert Carr – Peak Resorts

<http://www.peak-worldwide.com/>



CREATIVE & CULTURE

You might think that you just need a creative streak to land your dream job in this industry but many roles in the creative sector involve working with the latest technologies which are helping to drive the sector forwards. Job areas include film and TV, social media, advertising, fashion, computer games and animation.



Presenter: Dean Jackson – Huub Design

<https://huubdesign.com/>



CONSTRUCTION

The construction industry has had its ups and downs over recent years but compared to other regions, the sector in the East Midlands is predicted to grow more favourably. The number of jobs within some roles is expected to grow, however there are also jobs such as electrician where the number of jobs isn't necessarily expected to rise but skilled people will be needed to replace those who leave. Environmental targets mean there are some exciting new areas to work in such as intelligent buildings.



Built Environment

Presenter: Roy Parker –



RETAIL

Retail is the largest private sector employer in the UK – that's big business! As well as sales roles, there are many behind-the-scenes jobs such as buying, merchandising, stock control, logistics and store operations – all important links in the chain. Some of these jobs demand a creative streak, others need IT skills. What's more, if you have the drive, it's easy to move quickly up the career ladder to a management position.



Presenter: Jess Hill & Jack Wilcox – Sports Direct



HEALTH AND CARE



A job in the health and social care sector can be extremely rewarding and despite some recent job losses in the public sector, there are many skill shortages. Many roles focus on care, others are based in labs but there are also support roles in admin, security and maintenance which are essential to the day-to-day running of the service. Some services come under the private sector as well as the public with the voluntary sector also playing a large role.

Presenter: Dave Buttery – Health Care Recruitment



TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY



A career in tourism or hospitality can be very rewarding. If you like meeting people, are enthusiastic and organised then it could be for you. There are plenty of entry level jobs from which you can move quickly up the career ladder to a management position and better earning potential! Where could you work? How about a beachfront cafe, international hotel chain, cruise ship, conference centre, airline, water park, exclusive restaurant, travel agent or as a tour guide... take your pick!

Presenter: Angela Kemp –Derbyshire Hotel

<http://www.thederbyshire-hotel.com/>



ICT AND HI-TECH ENGINEERING



Technology is the main reason for old jobs disappearing. With nine out of 10 new jobs today needing some level of IT skills it's hard to escape it. There are so many exciting and rewarding careers within science, engineering and technology – fashion, gaming, digital media, music, motor sport, aerospace... Why not become expert and help the UK become the best innovators in the world?



Presenter: Dr Patrick Barber – Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering

Skills, skills, skills



Skills like these are called employability or transferable skills because you can use them in many different types of jobs.

Employers like someone who...	What you can do
shows initiative	Get a part-time job or do some voluntary work.
takes care in what they do	Fill in your application form clearly, look smart at the interview and always be on time.
is keen and enthusiastic	When applying for a job, think carefully about how you put yourself across. Once you're working, always appear willing.
has employability or transferable skills	Think about something you've done at school or in your spare time that shows how you've used a skill. This could include giving presentations or playing a team sport.
is adaptable	Show examples of how you've adapted to change, such as leaving school. Make it clear that you're willing to learn new skills.
can work well in a team	Use examples from school or out-of-school to show how you can get on with others.
is reliable	Once you've got a job or apprenticeship place turn up on time every day. Ring into work if you're unwell (but not just a sore throat) to let them know you won't be coming in.

TOP TIPS

Job applications



Application forms

Read through the form first and the notes that go with it. Have they asked you to fill it in using a black pen?

- ✓ Copy the form if you can and use the copy to write your responses in rough.
- ✓ Make sure your handwriting is neat and clear and that you don't have any spelling mistakes. Avoid crossing out any mistakes.
- ✓ Make sure that your skills and abilities meet those needed for the job.
- ✓ Use the space provided to support your application to really sell yourself – tell them why you should get the job. Attach an extra piece of paper if you need to (white or cream A4).

A scruffy application form gives a bad impression to an employer and may cost you the job.



✓ For your first referee, use your head teacher or principal if you are at school or college and your current or last employer if you are working. For your second, use an adult who knows you well but not a relative. Don't forget to ask them first.

- ✓ Make sure you fill in every section of the form – they are asking for a reason!
- ✓ Remember to sign and date the form, sending it back as soon as you can. Sometimes an employer brings the closing date forwards if they have already received enough applications.
- ✓ Take a copy of the form in case it gets lost in the post and to remind you what you wrote in case you get selected for an interview!

