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# Engineering Apprentice Profile

A little about myself

**I'm 21 - it's about 5 years since I left school. I did CNC engineering at Buxton College (High Peak) before becoming a modern apprentice. I've completed my Modern Apprentice technical cert C&G228, my NVQ3 and Key Skills and I'm doing a National Certificate in Engineering year 1. I attended the Anthony Gell School in Wirksworth. I work for Harrington Generators International which is one of the world's largest independent generator companies. The company builds and services a wide range of small petrol and diesel generators.**

What qualifications did you leave school with ?

**I left with 10 GCSE's**

What encouraged you to go for a career in engineering ?

**A job opportunity arose with a training agent, which led to me being taken on by Harrington Generators International**

Where do you aim to be career wise - in 5 years time ?

**I'm hoping to move up the pay ladder within the company - possibly by gaining new skills and getting experience with my engineering skills. This should be possible as the company uses a very high level of in-house technical expertise**

Where do you aim to be career wise - in 10 years time ?

**I would hope to be progressing through the company, or if not that progressing in an engineering career in another company**

Is there a clear progression route for you to this position ?

**I don't think the progression route is clear within the company - but in Engineering in general there is.**

Is the progression route for you through Higher Education ?

**Yes - but this will have to be part-time and day release**





What have you enjoyed most about the Modern Apprenticeship ?

**The NVQ2 work at High Peak College in Buxton was very enjoyable.**

Have you been encouraged by your employer / training provider ?

**Harringtons have encouraged me and let me do theory work for the course whilst I have been at work.**

Have they given you information about pathways to progression ?

**They are keen to train me up to a certain level - but I'm not sure how far they will allow me to progress.**

Who has given you most support during your MA ?

**College lecturers, and my NVQ assessor have been very helpful and supportive**

What have you enjoyed most about the Modern Apprenticeship ?

**Doing NVQ2 and NVQ3 work was interesting - especially at work - I have been learning all the time.**

What could have been done to make the MA programme work better for you ?

**Perhaps more updated equipment and facilities for learning in College. There was no problem with the on the job training it was good and I learned a lot throughout.**

Would you recommend the programme to others ?

**The on the job and the NVQ stuff definitely.**

What would you tell them about MA 's ?

**Its worth doing !**

