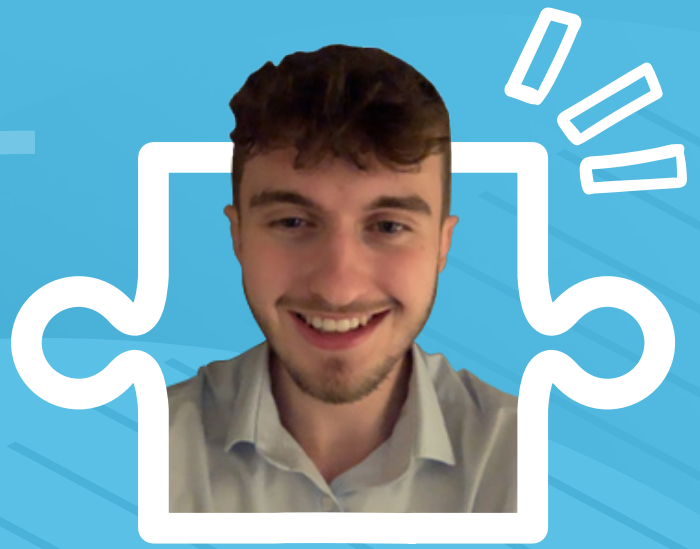


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WHAT MADE YOU APPLY FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP?

I wanted to get hands-on experience in the Engineering field, while earning an income at the same time.

WHY DID YOU APPLY TO NG BAILEY?

NG Bailey is a well-respected company within the industry, and they have been around for over 100 years. Safety is a top priority, so I knew this would be a great place for me to join.

WHAT WOULD YOUR TOP TIP BE FOR ANYONE APPLYING FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP ROLE?

You have to enter your apprenticeship with a willingness to learn and a passion for what you do, especially if you are new to the industry. You will be taught a lot of new things between your days in college and the time you spend on-site or in the office.

WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF BEING AN APPRENTICE?

The main advantage for me is being paid while you learn the trade. As a young person trying to save money, this is something that appealed to me.

WHAT HAS BEEN THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE IN YOUR APPRENTICESHIP?

My biggest challenge so far has been coming to terms with all the different terminology and definitions used by the company, as I'm completely new to it. As I continue my journey, things are becoming more familiar.

WHAT PART OF THE ROLE GIVES YOU THE MOST PERSONAL SATISFACTION?

For me, it's the moments when you're working on a task or project, and it all starts to come together and the information you have been learning about all starts to fall into place. It can be really rewarding.

WHAT DOES A TYPICAL DAY LOOK LIKE?

Any working day is never really the same because there are so many different aspects to the role. It can involve me shadowing my line manager in the office, attending different meetings throughout the day, and working with them to make sure our project is on track to succeed. All of this helps me become more rounded in my role.

WHAT ARE YOU MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO IN YOUR APPRENTICESHIP?

I'm most looking forward to expanding my knowledge further to obtain a greater understanding of my role and the wider industry.

WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT AS PART OF YOUR APPRENTICESHIP?

So far, my greatest achievement has been getting a distinction in my first college assignment. This is something I am proud of and has helped my confidence for my future assignments.

