

# LEARNING THROUGH WORK



## WORK RELATED LEARNING AT KEY STAGE FOUR

In this edition of 'Learning Through Work' we are highlighting support for school, students and teachers for the Work Related Learning element at Key Stage 4.

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## A day in the life of... *Walkers Construction*

This popular stand alone session gives students the opportunity to explore the day to day issues, life choices and dilemmas of work, through our fictional company – *Walkers Construction*.

### Key Stage 4 WRL

Linked directly to the Framework for Work Related Learning at Key Stage 4 students will meet the following elements:

- Recognise, develop and apply their skills for enterprise and employability
- Use their experience of work, including work experience and part-time jobs to extend their understanding of work
- Learn about the way business enterprises operate, working roles, conditions, rights and responsibilities in the work place
- Relate their own abilities, attributes and achievements to career intentions and make informed choices based on an understanding of the alternatives
- Undertake tasks and activities set in work contexts
- Learn from contact with personnel from different employment sectors
- Have experience (direct or indirect) of working practices and environments
- Engage with ideas, challenges and applications from the business world





### **Innovative & Engaging**

The students adopt a lifestyle according to the job role that they are given. A series of exercises are undertaken, all with the common thread of the World of Work.

Students improve their communication skills by developing and presenting arguments for and against a particular problem encountered by the company. Based on their lifestyle, participants undertake budgeting exercises which determine whether or not they can live within their means. All this while dealing with common work related dilemmas which allow the students to think around the issues that they face at work.

This highly interactive and attention grabbing session has already been delivered to in excess of 2000 students across the West Midlands.

### **Flexible & Cost Effective**

Usually lasting half a day, the programme also encompasses Key Skills, Citizenship, and aspects of PHSE, the exact content of the programme can be customised to meet the specific needs of your school. Equally a single programme can be extended or condensed to fit into timetable commitments.

Unlike similar programmes *Walkers Construction* can be delivered to all group sizes, from small highly personalised workshops, to whole Year Groups. Charges are based per session, not on student numbers, therefore ensuring that costs remain competitive.

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