

<p>I'm in my first year</p>	<p>I don't get my hands dirty as an apprentice</p>	<p>I think apprentices should be paid more than £2.68 an hour</p>	<p>I completed A levels before doing an apprenticeship</p>
<p>I didn't get any careers advice in school about apprenticeships</p>	<p>I travel by public transport to work</p>	<p>I think Apprenticeships should last 2 years</p>	<p>I'm the only Female/Male on my course</p>
<p>I've met someone famous</p>	<p>I am left handed</p>	<p>I had cereal for breakfast</p>	<p>I have never seen a twilight film</p>

Activity – Meet the new boss –

Congratulations, you're now in charge of how apprenticeships will work in Northern Ireland. Being the boss has its perks, you get to tell people what to do – more of that later. Being the boss also means making some tough decisions, including where to spend the money.

Using the budget allocated to you decide what your spending priorities would be. What deserves a lot of your attention and money, what's not so important?

- Pay
- Careers Advice
- Working Conditions
- Learning on the job
- Learning off the job
- Access to Apprenticeships
- Respect as an apprentice
- Involvement in decision making
- Making sure apprentices get a job when they finish
- Transferability – being able to work for different employers

Once you've decided what your priorities are, join with another 2 apprentices and see if you can come to an agreement between you.

Once you have agreed what you think is important in an excellent apprenticeship write it down.

Remember what you thought was important from this session. When we meet the decision makers it's your opportunity to tell them what you think what makes up an excellent apprenticeship. We think it might be easier to talk to them if you stay in these groups for the next session, but you can talk to them with other people if you'd prefer. This is your chance to tell people what they should do.