



APPRENTICE BLOG

IT Apprenticeship

Having previously completed my first IT apprenticeship at WBD some seven years ago – I knew if an opportunity arose within WBD IT for an apprenticeship in the next team, I would jump at the chance to further progress my knowledge and skills.

I have been with the firm now for over 8 years and work with a highly competent team – I knew I wanted to continue my education and grow my skills at WBD, as a lot of my inspiration for continuing to learn is from the team I work with and the work I see that they do.

I thoroughly enjoyed my recent apprenticeship that I completed. The apprenticeship provider was QA who are well known provider of technology apprenticeships, especially within the North-East. During my apprenticeship, I was on a lot of fun and exciting training courses, a lot of which were sandbox based, which allowed me to practice my skills and any theory that I learnt. As well as this, I worked with some of the other apprentices on the same course as me, where we could tackle scenarios and learn from one another during these sessions. Being able to work with and learn from other apprentices on the course wasn't just valuable, but fun – and helped takeaway the intensity of learning from textbooks.

My career since the apprenticeship is coming along great, I am working alongside members of the team on important and challenging work which I feel I have an impact on due to the knowledge and skills I learnt from within the apprenticeship. I feel valuable within the team I work in.

For anyone who is considering an apprenticeship, my advice would be is to identify what your strengths and weaknesses as early as possible. Knowing these will help you strategize the way in which you can schedule more time on the areas you struggle with – which proves useful toward the latter end of your apprenticeship - and never be afraid to ask for help from the apprenticeship provider and the team you work with at WBD. Everyone is happy to help you on your apprenticeship journey!



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