

Ready for Work

Do you
want to work?

Looking
for work
experience?

Like some
extra support to
get there?

Ready for
Work can
help

What does it involve?

- 2 days of training
- 2 week work placement with a leading employer
- Follow up support
- It won't affect your benefits
- To find out if **Ready for Work** is right for you, speak to:

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What is it?

Ready for Work can help you to build your skills and confidence to find work.

If you're looking for work but finding it difficult to overcome the challenges in your way, our national programme, **supported by businesses**, could provide the recent experience you need.

“ I got a chance to prove myself and show how well I can do in a job. I would do it all over again ”

Across the country, for those people who complete the Ready for Work programme:

40%+ will move into a new job after the programme

75%+ will go on to sustain work for 3 months or more

250 + find work each year

What does it involve?

Ready for Work offers a **chance to get back to the workplace** and builds your confidence and skills for that next job.

The programme includes:

- training with sessions on **communication, team working and interview skills**
- a voluntary **work placement** with a buddy on hand to help you get to grips with the job
- follow up support at a group **Ready for Work club** and with a **business volunteer** who meets with you on a one-on-one basis

“ The training was totally different from what I expected. I thought it would be like a classroom but it wasn't - I didn't realise it would build my confidence so much ”

Many people who take part in Ready for Work have overcome **insecure housing, long-term unemployment or criminal convictions** to find jobs. Ready for Work, could be the opportunity you need to be **supported directly by businesses**.

How can I register?

Let your key worker or support worker know that you are interested in Ready for Work.

Ask them to register you for the programme online.

They can contact the local Ready for Work team to find out more.

Once your support worker has sent in your registration form, you will be invited to a registration session with a local programme manager.

Together you'll decide whether Ready for Work is right for you. If it is, you will join the next two day training course.

Our business partners

We work with **more than 100 employers nationwide** including Accenture, Bain & Company, Barclays, Carillion, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, Marks & Spencer, Royal Mail and Shire Plc.

“ I never dreamt I'd get this much out of Ready for Work. I love the job and everything else has clicked into place too. ”

Business in the Community

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