



Module 8: Company workplace challenge

Student resource

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Introduction

Have you got what it takes to solve a business problem?

Opportunity emerges from problems. Everyone faces problems you, me and even large multi-national companies. However, when businesses face problems they can be very costly.

The workplace challenge allows you to work directly with a business to solve a problem they are experiencing allowing you to have a direct impact on how the business operates giving you the skills, experience and confidence to do this again and again in your career.

Working in teams where possible, you will collaborate to come up with the best solution and present to the company's employees as to how you would implement it. The workplace challenge allows you to showcase your developing skills in teamwork, leadership, project management and problem-solving which are highly valued by employers and vastly increase your chances of getting a job.

The workplace challenge is designed to be broad enough so that everyone can work to solve the problem regardless of your strengths and weaknesses. Everyone gets the chance to succeed and apply their skills.

During your time working on the challenge you will have an opportunity to ask your employer questions so you can gather additional information and further develop your work in preparation for your final presentation.

Now is the time to consider and apply all the strategies you have learned over your experience so far. You will be given a date and time that you must work towards as well as details as to how you should submit or deliver your final presentation to the employer audience.

Good luck and welcome to the world of work!

Remember the templates and tools you explored in Module 7 (Effective project management) might help get you started.

**TOP TIP**

When working in a team, think about the strengths of each person in your team and make sure you have planned your time effectively.