

## Guidance for teachers

### Overview

These lesson activities have been designed for teachers to help students discover more about the broad range of domestic trade apprenticeships available.

The short film provides statements from inspirational female trades apprentices and should assist in stimulating further discussion and enquiry.

### Preparation

- Open/download the film 'Careers as electricians or plumbers are not just for men!' ready to use: [tinyurl.com/ycksefzd](https://tinyurl.com/ycksefzd)



- Use the Activity Cards template (provided on the next page) or adapt this to create your own student worksheet.

### Delivery ideas: Discussion

Before watching the films, you could ask the students to share their preconceptions about females working in trades. Ask them to try to validate their statements with supporting reasons or examples.

Ask them to watch the film and share if they have had any of their earlier opinions challenged or if they have changed their minds and say why.

### Gatsby Benchmarks

- GB1: A stable careers programme
- GB4: Linking curriculum learning to careers
- GB5: Encounters with employers/ employees

### Lesson aims:

- To develop an understanding of domestic trade apprenticeships as a pathway for post-16 students
- To increase confidence of female students in exploring the apprenticeship job opportunities available to them in a male-dominated industry



### Lesson duration:

This activity is designed to take approximately 15-20 minutes, depending on the class size.

### Stretch activity (if needed)

Use the cards on the next page to help to develop more discussion and debate around the topic of females working in domestic trades. Some of the statements are direct quotes from the film. Ask students to discuss the statements on the cards and debate their thoughts around this. Encourage them to share their challenges against anything they find controversial.

## Activity Cards

**"Girls should be nurses or hairdressers."**

**"There's nothing stopping a girl from doing a trades apprenticeship."**

**"Girls are not strong enough to work in a trades job."**

**"It's not the norm for a female to be an electrician."**

**"You are just like anyone else... you can do just as much as they can."**