

Work Activity Brief

Courses	Plumbing Level 1 & Level 2		
Project Title	Setting up a Company		
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Project overview

This project will provide you with the opportunity to find out more about a career in Plumbing. During this activity, we are going to research the basics of setting up a plumbing company and working as a tradesperson. You may present your work in any format eg create a Microsoft Word document to answer the questions to the tasks below. You can also use the internet if you need help answering any of the questions.

Once you have completed your project, please forward this to the following email address along with your full name: submissions@esc.ac.uk. We'll then forward this on to our curriculum teams who will be in touch shortly.

Outcome of the project

By the end of this project, you will have a basic understanding of the elements required to set up your own plumbing business. This project has been developed to help you prepare for the programme that you will be joining in September. It will hopefully give you some insight into the subject area and will support the development of working independently as well as assignment writing.

These are the tasks that you need to complete, and will help you to structure your work.

Task 1: Create a Microsoft PowerPoint or Word Document with the heading 'Plumbing Project – Setting up a Company' as well as your full name.

Task 2: Write the name of your Plumbing business. You can be as creative as you like but it must be relevant.

Task 3: You will now need to find a van by researching online the van you're going to buy. Take a look on Auto Trader (www.autotrader.co.uk) and consider the following:

- Load capacity
- Door format
- Size
- Maintenance costs
- Price – this carefully about price as you are a new company

Copy and paste a photo of the van and explain why you chose this.

Task 4: Research online what tools you will need to start your business. Copy and paste images of 5 tools, explaining what they are, and their price.

Task 5: You will need to purchase Public Liability insurance. Explain what this is.

Task 6: To get rid of waste, you will need to arrange for a skip to be hired. Research a local skip hire firm online and provide a quote for how much it is to purchase a **4 cubic yard skip**.

Task 7: Something else that is really important to consider is **PPE**. Write what **PPE** stands for and provide **2 examples of PPE** that are required for a plumber.