

Task Title: Read and Comprehend “Trades Overview” Article

# OALCF Cover Sheet – Practitioner Copy

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| **Goal Path:** | Employment | Apprenticeship |
| Secondary School | Post Secondary | Independence |

**Successful Completion:**  Yes No

**Task Description:** The learner will read a short article to learn about apprenticeships in Ontario.

**Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:**

* Find and Use Information/Read continuous text/A1.2
* Communicate Ideas and Information/Write continuous text/B2.2

**Materials Required:**

* Pen/pencil and paper and/or digital device

# Learner Information

Trades are organized in different ways including by sector, or compulsory vs. non-compulsory trades. Learning more about these categories can help when researching a career in trades.

Read the article “Trades Overview”.

**Trades Overview**

**How are the trades organized?**

Ontario has apprenticeship programs for more than 140 trades and occupations. The trades are organized into 4 trade sectors: Construction, Motive, Industrial, and Service.

**Construction Trades** involve building, inspecting and maintaining structures and related properties. Some examples of construction trades are carpenters and electricians.

**Industrial Trades** involve the production of goods used in manufacturing and construction. Some examples of industrial trades are machinists and metal fabricators.

**Motive Trades** involve working with moving machines. Some examples of motive power trades are automotive and truck technicians.

**Service Trades** involve the sale and delivery of a product between a producer and a consumer. Some examples of service trades are hairstylists and bakers.

There are many different trades within each sector.

**What is a compulsory vs. a non-compulsory trade?**

Not all trades are compulsory. You can work in some trades without completing an apprenticeship and getting a Certificate of Qualification. These are considered non-compulsory trades. However, apprenticeship programs are still available for many non-compulsory trades.

Twenty-three of the trades are currently compulsory. To work in these 23 trades, an individual must either be registered as an apprentice or be a licensed journeyperson with a Certificate of Qualification (CoQ). A CoQ is available in many of the non-compulsory trades as well. It’s beneficial to earn this certification even if the trade is non-compulsory because:

* You have a better chance of getting a job in your field. It proves you have the skills to do the job. Some employers looking for workers in non-compulsory trades will only interview people with a Certificate of Qualification.
* You have a better chance of promotion or a better job. Certified journeypersons in non-compulsory trades are generally higher in demand and paid better than uncertified workers.

# Work Sheet

**Task 1: How many trades and occupations does Ontario have apprenticeship programs for?**

Answer:

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**Task 2: List the four different apprenticeship trade sectors.**

Answer:

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**Task 3: Which sector do hairstylists belong to?**

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**Task 4: In your own words, write a short paragraph describing the difference between a compulsory trade and a non-compulsory trade.**

Answer:

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# Answers

**Task 1: Task 1: How many trades and occupations does Ontario have apprenticeship programs for?**

Answer: More than 140 trades and occupations

# **Task 2: List the four different apprenticeship trade sectors.**

Answer: Construction, Motive, Service, Industrial

**Task 3: Which sector do hairstylists belong to.**

Answer: Service

**Task 4: In your own words, write a short paragraph describing the difference between a compulsory trade and a non-compulsory trade.**

Answer: Answers will vary. You can work in non-compulsory trades without completing an apprenticeship and getting a Certificate of Qualification. In order to work in compulsory trades, an individual must either be registered as an apprentice or be a journeyperson that holds a Certificate of Qualification

# Performance Descriptors

| Levels | Performance Descriptors | Needs Work | Completes task with support from practitioner | Completes task independently |
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| A1.2 | scans text to locate information |  |  |  |
|  | locates multiple pieces of information in simple texts |  |  |  |
|  | makes low-level inferences |  |  |  |
|  | makes connections between sentences and between paragraphs in a single text |  |  |  |
| B2.2 | writes texts to explain and describe |  |  |  |
|  | conveys intended meaning on familiar topics for a limited range of purposes and audiences |  |  |  |
|  | uses limited range of vocabulary and punctuation appropriate to the task |  |  |  |
|  | begins to select words and tone appropriate to the task |  |  |  |
|  | begins to organize writing to communicate effectively |  |  |  |

This task: Was successfully completed Needs to be tried again

Learner Comments:

Instructor (print): Learner (print):

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