

## Work experience – First steps with the company Heinrich Schmid



Tasks for independent work at home or for project days at schools



3.1. Learning about the painters trade

Examples of content in the painters' traineeship program in Saxony, Germany

## What do trainees do or learn during an apprenticeship as a painter?



The content of what apprentices have to learn during their traineeship can be devided into two parts. There is content that every trainee has to learn and there are parts that are specialised - depending on what area of specialisation the apprentice has chosen.

1. What training content do all apprentices learn in the painters trade? (Text snippet from the Curriculum in Saxony as an example)

Across all disciplines, the painter/painter acquires the following vocational qualifications:

- plan, prepare and organize work tasks
- design customer-oriented work processes
- comply with work, health and environmental regulations
- select equipment, tools, machines and systems for the respective work assignment set up and operate them
- work with and process materials and auxiliary materials
- Testing and evaluating substrates and preparing them for coatings
- Produce, process, clad, coat and design surfaces
- repair and maintain surfaces
- Carry out protective measures for surfaces and objects
- Clean and maintain tools, machines, equipment and other operating resources
- Carry out insulation, plastering and dry construction work
- Coat and design facades
- Use access aids and operate lifting platforms, conveying and transport equipment
- make calculations and carry out quality controls

Apprentices decide on a specific branch in the painters' apprenticeship program. This means they specialize in a particular type of things to paint, design, varnish or maintain.

## 2. The following specializations can be chosen:

- a. Finishing technology and object design (AO)
- b. Building and corrosion protection (BK)
- c. Energy efficiency and design technology (EG)
- d. Design and maintenance (GI)
- e. Church painting and preservation of monuments (KD)

Pick one specialization area as an example and find out what is special about it. For that,
please try to do some research on the internet on your own. What could you find out?