



Skilled Trades



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You have been asked by your union to create a newsletter or brochure to describe your trade. The information will be distributed to high school students who show interest in your trade, but require more information prior to making a decision. Your information piece should include the following:

- An introduction to trades and a description of your trade
- Duties required of your trade
- Schools that provide the training
- Cost of school
- The apprenticeship
- Future salary
- Working conditions
- Certification
- Job availability
- Pre-requisites and essential skills
- References used (books, web sites, etc.)

“There is a shortage of workers in the skilled trades. Ontario will need 70,000 more trades people in the next seven years”



Common Myths

- You must have a university degree to get a good job
- Trades people did not do well in school
- Trades people are paid poorly
- Only men work in the trades
- Jobs in trades are very dangerous



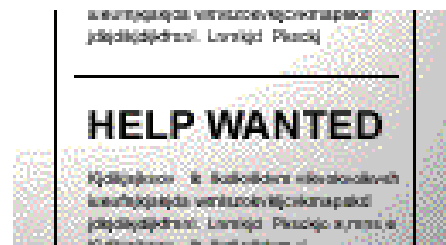
The key trades in demand across all construction subsectors will be:

- *Carpenters
- *Electricians
- *Plumbers
- *Sheet metal workers

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Please use the rubric and the exemplars to help you complete the project to the best of your ability.

Remember—Your task is to promote the trade of your choice. How can people get into the field? How much money will they make? How long is the apprenticeship? These are questions to be answered in your newsletter, brochure, or pamphlet.



Please ensure that you submit a polished and professional final product. This is 10% of your final grade.