



How her  
Apprenticeship gave  
Rachel confidence  
and a new belief in  
herself

With a short string of failed retail jobs behind her, having left sixth form after just a month, you might have thought that Rachel Anderson had no serious commitment or motivation for work.

Well, you'd be wrong!

Whilst she admits to not having focussed on her GCSEs as much as she should have done, Rachel Anderson, 19, is now a successful business administrator at Travel Republic, a successful on-line travel agency which has been trading for over 20 years.

### Rachel says:

"I never thought I'd be capable of holding down an office job, when I left school. I'd wasted my last couple of school years. But when I was offered an Apprenticeship, it really gave me confidence and now I can't believe how much I've changed."

### Responsibility

At Travel Republic, Rachel started with the basics but soon worked her way up and now, having completed

her training, she's being entrusted with responsibility that she never thought she'd achieve.

### Praise from boss

Her boss is Steve Dean. He says: "Rachel has worked hard to get to where she is now and we're delighted for her. We are confident that she'll grow with the company."

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