



My work experience with techfest

By Nicole Main

Introduction

My name is Nicole and I am here at techfest as an intern through the programme career ready. I left school and want pursue my passion of being a makeup artist. I am really into beauty, however when i'm a lot older it is a dream of mine to have my own business company with my own products. When i first heard about career ready i was never going to join until my guidance teach and parents encouraged me and made me realise that it would actually be really good opportunity and experience, since i don't have a job it would be a really good thing for me to put on my CV and also just being able to meet new people is an experience in itself and you never know the contacts that you could meet.

Career ready team

Hannah



Charly



Kirsty

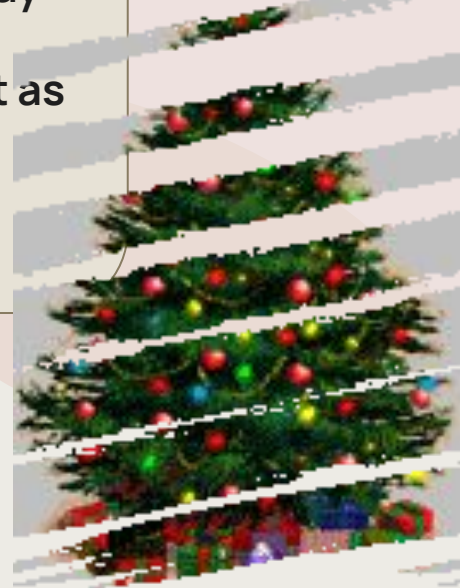


Eve



Our project

The project we have been given is called 24 days of stem which is an advent calendar and on all the different day there is a stem based activity christmas related with really fun a cool experiments to do we tried to make it as different from last years with new activities.



Week 1

The first 3 days in the office were very relaxed, we were all getting to know each other and getting used to a new environment. We spent those 3 days coming up with ideas for the advent calendar and testing some ideas. We were able to come up with 24 ideas but we tried tweaking them so they weren't a replica of last year's calendar. We were also introduced to a few other staff members. Kirst and another staff member did practice interviews with us which I thought was very helpful as I have never done an under view before so it was good to get some practice and feedback.



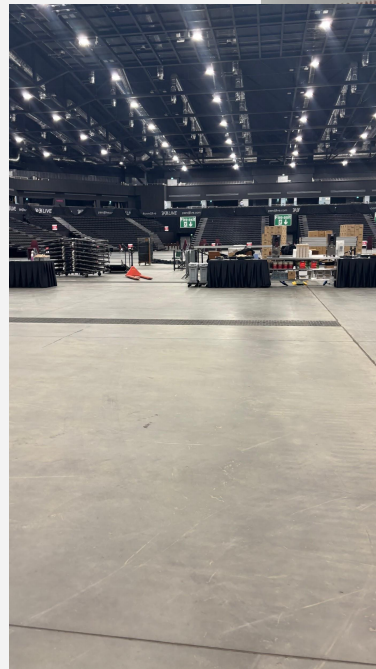
Week 2

Week two was a was easy going, we were working from home on the monday, then on the tuesday we had an exciting visit at the enquest office tower where we done some activities related to oil rigs and we were there for a few hours. Then we were working in the office till friday and we were able to tick off a cool activity to put on our advent calendar and we were also given another task to do where we had to come up with a way on how we would market the aberdeen science festival and present what we came up with and created in front of Eve and kirsty. Then on thursday i had filmed and edited another activity and then we soon realised that we were nearly done the whole advent calendar!



Week 3

This week we were finishing up the advent calendar and on the monday i was doing some of the last few activities then on thursday in the office eve had given us another task to do which was making wooden pipes look more nicer and decorated for a project she was doing. We were able to achieve this as we only had a few pictures to add to our calendar and that would be it done so we had plenty of time on our hands for eve a kirsty to give us other tasks to work on. I also had a visit to the P&J which was really interesting and i thoroughly enjoyed it.



Week 4

This week we started the week by working from home, manley on our blogs and presentations, then on the tuesday we were helping out at the tall ships stall which was good but it wasn't as busy as most people were watching the tall ships leave but we still had a good amount of people doing all the activities, and then on thursday we were finishing and making sure that everything on the calendar was good to go.



Skills i had gained from the internship

- **I think i gained more communication skills working in a group with new people**
 - **I also think i gained confidence by doing the practice interviews as i have never done one before so now in the future i know a little more on what to expect**

My favorite moments

My favorite visit was the was definitely the P&J, it was nice to see the inside of it after hearing so many different things about it from my friends and family going to see concerts.

- loved coming up with ideas for the advent calendar and seeing it come together from everyone.**
- meeting new people and getting to work in a working environment with others.**



The End