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Trades

- describe trades and the stages of trade training
- talk about trade materials
- give and understand instructions for erecting scaffolding
- give personal information

Trades and training

Vocabulary 1 Label tradespeople 1–8 with the words in the box.

carpenter concrete finisher electrician glazier painter
plumber roofer welder



a p _____



a c _____



a c _____ f _____



a p _____



a r _____



a w _____



a g _____



a n e _____

Reading 2 Read this text and underline the trades. Use the photos in 1 to help you.

You can refer to tradespeople in several ways:

- tradesperson/ tradespeople (for men and women)
- tradesman/ tradesmen (for men)
- tradeswoman/ tradeswomen (for women)

A job in the construction industry?

The construction industry has different trades or 'crafts'. A tradesperson is a specialist and normally has a qualification from a vocational school or other training institute. Plumbers, electricians and roofers are all tradespeople. Other tradespeople on residential housing projects include carpenters, painters and concrete finishers. Tradespeople are often subcontractors and work for a general contractor or a client.

Vocabulary 3 Write the plurals for 1–5.

- 1 trade _____
2 craft _____
3 tradesman _____

- 4 housing project _____
5 general contractor _____