BUSINESS: Creating informed, discerning employees, consumers and future leaders

Topic 2.5.2 Effective recruitment

Key Vocabulary

Directors – people who make the biggest decisions faced by the business, e.g. aims and objectives

Managers – the people wo organise others to carry out tasks

Supervisors / team leaders - these people ensure that the staff below them do what they are supposed to do

Operational staff – a member of staff who has specific responsibility for meeting for meeting a target set by the business that is focused on achieving the business's aims and objectives

Support staff – staff who provide help to operational staff, providing assistance with computer networks, administration task etc.

Job description – a short account of the main features of the job

Person specification – a description of the type of person who would best fit the job: their character, their experience and skills

Application form – a series of questions a job-seeker must fill in when trying to get an employer interested in interviewing them

CV – curriculum vitae. Sets out the person's experience, qualifications and other relevant facts

References – people such as teachers or previous bosses who are willing to answer questions about the qualities of a job applicant

Internal recruitment – appointing someone from within an organisation

External recruitment – appointing a new employee who does not work for the business

Core Knowledge

In a large business there are 5 main job roles:

- Directors
- Senior Managers
- Supervisors / team leaders / junior managers
- Operational staff
- Support staff

Documents used in the recruitment process:

- **Job description** and **person specification** created by the business so they are clear about the job that is needed to be filled and what the ideal candidate would be like
- **Job advert** this can be placed in various places, such as job centre, recruitment agency, online, internal notice board or email, newspapers or specialist magazines
- **Application form, CV, letter of application –** completed by the candidate to provide all the information required by the business

References – supplied by people who know the candidate to support an application

A candidate can be chosen through an interview, assessments, further tests or tasks

	Benefits	Limitations
Internal	Quicker and cheaper Motivational for employees Business knows the candidate well	Existing workers may not have necessary skills Creates a new vacancy
External	Wider range of applicants New skills and ideas	Expensive and time consuming processes

Don't be a "man on the street"

- Don't confuse Directors or Mangers with owners of a business
- Not all businesses will have all job roles it will depend on the structure and size of the business.
- Not all vacancies will be advertised in the same way, or place. It will depend on the role and urgency

Wider Business World

McDonald's – only recruit online

Merlin entertainments require candidates to attend assessment centres

B&Q – one of many businesses that no longer accept CVs, only application forms



Synoptic Links

Organisational structures -HR will need to know where a

vacancy fits within the hierarchy

Legislation – there are laws regulating how employees can be recruited

Motivation – offering internal promotion opportunities can be non-financial motivation