

## Worksheet: What is a 'green job'?

**Part 1) You will be given a list of companies.**

- ▶ For each company, does it produce goods or offer a service?
- ▶ Do those goods or services directly benefit the environment or conserve natural resources?
- ▶ If the answer is no, is the company actively striving to be more environmentally friendly or use fewer natural resources in its production processes/services?

Company name	Product or service?	<i>Directly</i> benefitting the environment or conserve natural resources?	If no, <i>actively striving</i> to be more environmentally friendly or use fewer natural resources?

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Choose one company and explore the careers section of their website. What type of careers and jobs are there linked to sustainability directly, or indirectly?

**Part 2) Green jobs specifically focus on improving the environmental outcomes for a company, organisation or society. Research commissioned by Skills Development Scotland (SDS) has identified three types of green jobs:**

1. Green new and emerging: Unique work requiring new roles, such as involved in clean energy and renewables. Examples include, solar system technician and small module reactor designer. (There are not as many of these jobs as people may think!)
2. Green enhanced: Existing jobs that use new skills and knowledge. Examples include environmental lawyer and architect. (These types of jobs are experiencing the greatest demand by employers.)
3. Green increased demand: The job hasn't changed, but the work context has. Examples include, engineering and trade skills, such as electricians. (These roles are traditionally dominated by men.)

Using the list of green jobs created in the starter discussion, can you decide if the jobs are in group 1, 2 or 3?

## Part 3) Exploring types of green jobs

Choose up to four job titles from the Green Jobs Tree and research them further using reputable job search websites, Prospects and the National Careers Service. Look at the job description and decide which category it best fits into and explain why you chose this category:

1. New green and energy occupations (unique work in a new context).
2. Green enhanced (existing work but new knowledge needed for the context).
3. Green increased demand occupations (existing work and knowledge needed but in a new context).

Job title	Type of green job (1, 2 or 3)	Explanation



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