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What does your job involve?

As a bus driver my job involves completing the bus safety checks and making sure my bus is fit for going out on the road. I drive my bus to a scheduled timetable and am responsible for the safety of my passengers, getting them to where they want to go. I've always liked being able to drive and I like working with people; my job is perfect as it combines the two. I also like that I meet different people every day.

How did you get into transport?

I had always said that when I was ready to go back to work after having children, I would be a bus driver. My mum is a bus driver and I saw how she really enjoyed her work over the years so I knew that I would enjoy it too. I started at London United two years ago.

What are you most proud of?

I am most proud of passing my PCV (Passenger Carrying Vehicle) test with a clean sheet. I didn't get a single minor so it was a perfect test. In his 28 year career, this was the first time my instructor had ever seen this happen! In June of this year I was also chosen to drive buses for the Queen's guests at her blind veterans garden party which was amazing.

What would your advice be to someone interested in your role?

I would advise anyone thinking about being a bus driver to go for it! I love my job and love that I am responsible for my brother and my friend joining the company too. Being a bus driver has also let me see parts of London that I never would have seen otherwise. I've driven rail replacement buses in parts of the capital I didn't even know existed!