



DESTINY'S STORY

VIDEO TRANSCRIPT

I'm Destiny O'Shaughnessy. I'm a Business and Technology Delivery Analyst at Accenture and this is my story. I grew up in Croydon, South London and my childhood was working class background.

I went to public school. I loved growing up in Croydon. Croydon is rich in diversity, different cultures and I think that's really affected how I see the world today.

I did a lot of painting and drawing growing up. I was set on doing an apprenticeship because I knew I wanted to do something that was a working environment. But I also wanted to do a degree apprenticeship because my parents were very set on me getting a degree. I think it's a Caribbean parent thing because they didn't always have those opportunities growing up. So, I created a presentation of reasons why an apprenticeship was the best thing for me and it convinced them on the spot.

I chose Accenture because I was looking for apprenticeships and the Accenture one popped up. When I went to the insight day, I felt that there was a real sense of community in the company and the company encourage their employees to grow and develop as people and as employees. From there I knew that it was the place for me. I was so happy.

I just told my mum straight away and started preparing, thinking about what I would wear to work on my first day.

I like my job because there's so many opportunities to work with different people, to work on different projects that interest you.

So, my main advice to someone wondering what to do next is always follow your gut. A lot of people will tell you what they think, but will that make you happy?