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# Apprenticeships in England – progress and challenges

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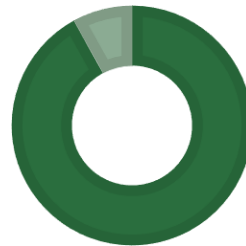




# The Benefits of Apprenticeships

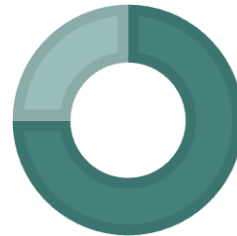
- Apprenticeships provide a route to skilled employment for people of all ages and gender.
- Apprenticeships lead to improved employment prospects, productivity and wages for apprentices.
- Apprenticeships also offer excellent returns to employers and the taxpayer

92%



of apprentices said their career prospects have improved

75%



of surveyed employers said apprenticeships improved quality and service



Apprentices completing a higher apprenticeship could earn

£150,000

more, on average, over their lifetime

Apprenticeships provide a typical return of

£26-28

for every £1 of government investment in apprenticeships at levels 2 and 3





# Raising quality through reform

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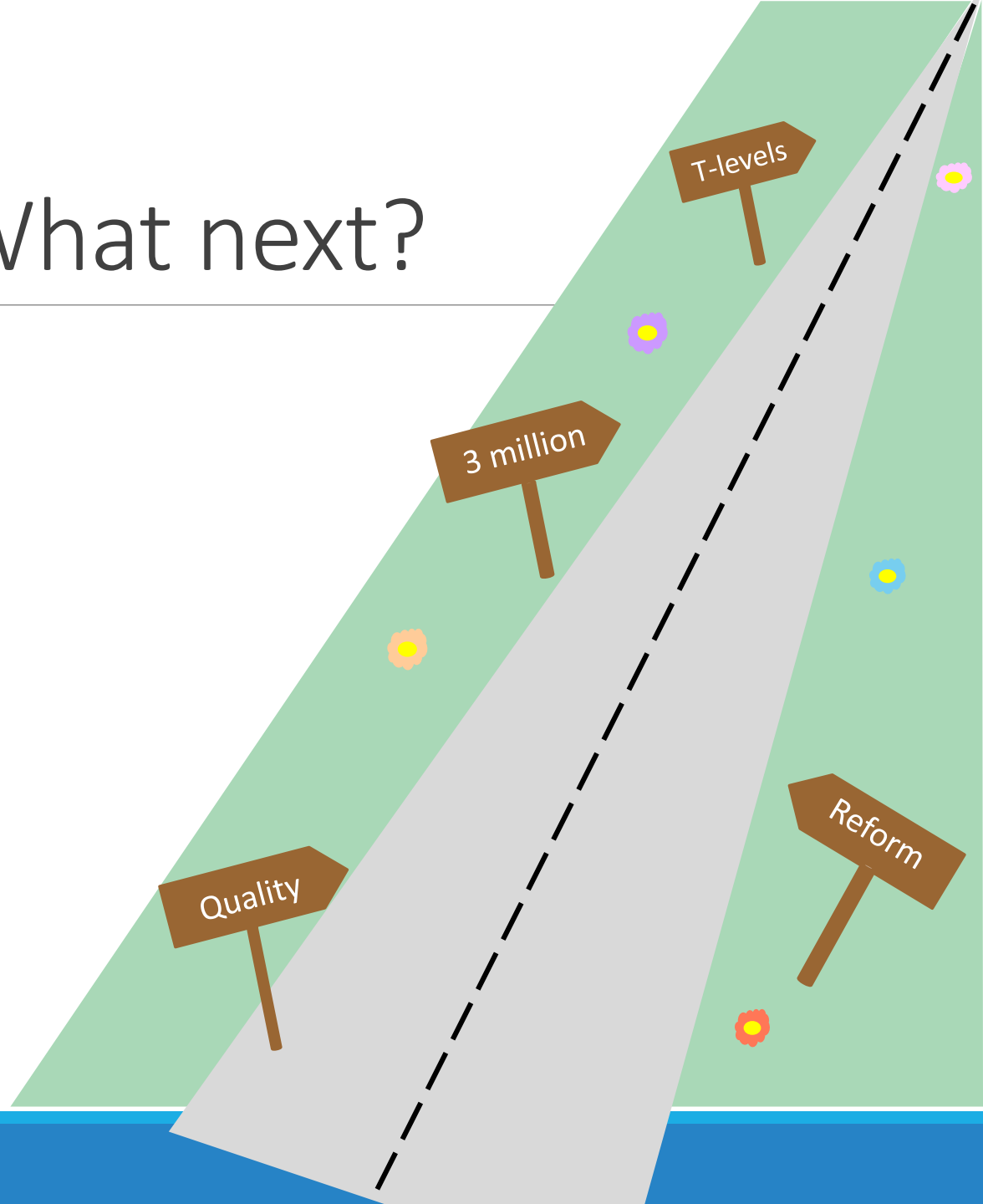
# Progress - Reforms seen in 2017

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# What next?

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Thank you.