



Task Title: Podcast About Women in Skilled Trades

OALCF Cover Sheet – Learner Copy

Learner Name: _____

Date Started: _____

Date Completed: _____

Successful Completion: Yes ☐ No ☐

Goal Path: Employment ☒ Apprenticeship ☒

Secondary School ☐ Post Secondary ☐ Independence ☐

Task Description: The learner will listen to a portion (approximately 13 minutes) of a podcast and answer questions about a woman's experiences as one of the only female welders.

Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:

- Find and Use Information/Extract info from films, broadcasts and presentations/A3

Materials Required:

- Pen/pencil and paper and/or digital device
- Computer

Learner Information

Many people still hold prejudices about women in skilled trades. It can be helpful to learn more from women who have built successful careers in the trades.

Open the CBC Radio "Ideas" podcast page. Listen to the first 13 minutes of the podcast "Why are women still outsiders in the trades?".

<https://www.cbc.ca/radio/ideas/welder-hilary-peach-outsider-inside-trades-1.7190553>

You may be interested in listening to the entire podcast (53:49), or reading the book that is being discussed, but the questions for this task can all be answered by listening to the first 13 minutes.

Work Sheet

Task 1: What is the title of Hilary Peach's book?

Answer:

Task 2: What reason does Hilary give for choosing skilled trades as a career later in life?

Answer:

Task 3: List three reasons Hilary's first welding instructor gave to discourage her from pursuing the welding trade.

Answer:

Task 4: What brought Hilary to Local Union 191 in Victoria?

Answer:

Task 5: How did Hilary avoid standing in several inches of water and getting shocked on the barge decks?

Answer:
