

9 Ideas

Learning at Work Week
18 - 24 May 2026

1 Stalls

A single UNISON table or a conference room full of information from employers and providers

2 Focus on Reading

Run the 6 Book Challenge, hand out Quick Reads, set up book swaps or organise an author visit

3 Maths and English

Members can have a go at a quick taster or take a test to see what level they are at.

4 Enrolment sessions

Boston, Nottingham & Leicester Colleges offer distance learning courses. Your branch could run sessions to help members enrol.

5 Lunch and Learn

Use the knowledge of our activists & members to provide talks. It could be Intro to Employment Law, Cultural Insights, Archaeology, Using Social Media etc.

6 Health & Wellbeing

Maybe your local NHS trains people to give up smoking? Or your employer has a wellbeing team? How about Mindfulness crafts? Organise sessions, stalls or tasters

7 Focus on issues

It could be a key issue facing the branch or a joint issue with the employer. Take a key concern and focus on the learning angle

8 Fun sessions

Learning doesn't have to be work-focused. Run lunchtime sessions on Yoga, Holiday Spanish, Help your kids with Maths Homework etc

9 Sign the Learning Charter

UNISON's Learning Charter is a simple way to build a partnership with an employer. It commits the union and the employer to work together and highlights the benefit of UNISON learning

Learning at Work Week is an opportunity to reach members in a different way. Maybe the employer will help to promote our work?

A template newsletter is available

For details and resources visit:

<https://eastmidlands.unison.org.uk/laww2026-resources/>