

Example based on HSE's HSG245 workbook

A worker (David) discovered a problem in the edge machine. This is a machine which saws off and planes wood. He didn't know who to report the problem to so he opened the machine lid (which was connected to an interlock which automatically turned off the power when the lid is opened). David put his pencil into the interlock switch, so he could still operate the machine with the lid open. The saw suddenly started and cut David's hand.

Activity 12

Use the 5 Whys strategy to work through the incident and identify the issues that may have played a part in causing the incident. We have started you off below:

