



With many of the young men and husbands away fighting the war, women were called to work in the factories.

They did not just do the office work, as had been normal before the war, but were trained to work on machinery such as lathes, and all sorts of assembly jobs.

Doris drove an electric truck in the Bristol Engine Works at Patchway. You can see the truck in the Aero Museum at Kemble, looking as good as when she drove it in 1940.

- Why do you think it needed to be battery powered?
- Her scarf was normal headwear in factories at the time. What do you think about that?
- Can you think of other electrically-powered vehicles in use today?

