

**[video description: "BRUCE'S STORY"]**

[video: 16-year-old young boy in a factory workshop using a drill machine in a workshop. The boy lifts the machine up and back down to reveal an older man in his 50s wearing a dark bomber jacket. ]

BRUCE: I worked at Holden for 36 years and 11 months and I started when I was 16 years of age. Straight from school, my first position there was a maintenance fitter and turner.

[video: A letter is handed to him a person offscreen. ]

BRUCE: I was made redundant all of a sudden. Without any notice, I had to leave. Within an hour and a half and two hours.

[video: Bruce slumped and walking down a corridor in the workshop. He passes people in the background crying, angrily kicking a bin, a man being escorted by security]

BRUCE: It was emotional, people crying, people swearing, people becoming violent, people being escorted by security in case of sabotage.

[video: Four men sitting in a waiting room.]

BRUCE: Working 20 years, 15 years, ten years –

BRUCE: it was very dog-eat-dog. It was just every man for himself.

[video: The heads of two men in the middle momentarily transform into dog's heads. Bruce gets up and walks away offscreen.]

BRUCE: Unfortunately, not everyone found a job.

BRUCE: I became depressed. I was worrying about the future.

[video: Bruce slumped on a couch watching TV- tv the main light source. TV channels switch between images of a house, overdue bills, an empty wallet ]

BRUCE: Life changed a hell of a lot.

[video: TV screen switches channel. Bruce standing outside the car warehouse with a closed sign on it. ]

BRUCE: You're not mingling with people every day. Your everyday routine is broken — it's finished.

[video: TV screen switches channel. A glass falling and dashing onto the ground into pieces.]

BRUCE: Which I would say to some degree, I am a bit isolated.

[video: TV screen switches off. The reflection shows Bruce sitting alone on the couch. ]

I try to get other jobs in other professions – unsuccessful, unsuccessful.

[video: A montage of Bruce in different interviews in different offices. ]

BRUCE: I've tried numerous places.

BRUCE: They stereotype you because you've been in one company for so long, your age.

[video: A view of the laptop screen of the interviewer as Bruce sits across the table. Text on screen appears reading 'Name: Mr. One Company; Age: 56; UNSUCCESSFUL.' ]

BRUCE: You don't even as so much as get an interview or a phone call back.

BRUCE: I'm looking for full-time work and I'm not finding a hell of a lot.

[video: The camera transitions to a new laptop that shows a job search website 'FIND'. Bruce's hand scrolls through jobs that read 'Fitter and Turner' and labelled Part-time, Casual, No paid leave, no sick leave. ]

BRUCE: A lot of them are casual and part-time.

BRUCE: Obviously you're working less hours, you're gonna get less money.

BRUCE: This is why it's imperative that I get a full-time job.

[video: The hand closes the laptop screen and the top of the laptop appears as a net.]

BRUCE: It's like a safety net for me, in case you get sick or injured.

[video: Bruce falls slowly from the top of the screen and into the net.]

BRUCE: I'm getting older and as each month goes by it gets harder and harder.

[video: Bruce appears in a queue. ]

BRUCE: Because then you've got all these people coming on to the unemployment line.

[video: The queue gets longer and longer. Bruce appears to be wearier, more stubble and hunched.]

BRUCE: I can't keep on doing these physical jobs.

[video: An off-screen hand hands Bruce a brochure that reads 'Labourer jobs. Bruce shakes his head to indicate 'no'.]

BRUCE: They have to create jobs but it's not happening.

[video: Bruce is standing alongside 6 other men and women who have their arms crossed in labourers and office clothes..]

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