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Smart choices in plumbing by [John Martin](#)

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Whether you are moving into a new home, or doing up your current one, one of the important professionals that will need to give the house a once-over is the plumber. If you are looking for some professional plumbing in Preston, Lancashire, you will obviously head online or to the Yellow Pages. Be prepared for a deluge of contact details. The idea is to help narrow down the list of potential plumbers who would work well for you. Here is how you can go about it.

Plumbing as such has no specializations. So you have the same professional to handle a leak, or clogged faucet or to get your old pipes replaced. This means that your search has to be for a well-rounded individual who has got a good amount of experience in the field of plumbing. A novice will not be able to anticipate any issues and work on preventing them. Of course, if it is a minor job, you might as well call the novice, since they too need a break into the big leagues.

Your list will be the result of recommendations from neighbors or a good long search on the Internet. No matter which way you do it, your criteria should be centered around how much of experience they have. Those in the line a long while will be able to better judge the state of your home. If your home is a newly built one, you may want to get your hands on the person who installed the plumbing in the first place. Since they know their work well, they will be in a better position to handle any issues with it.

The next is the interviewing stage. Ask your potential plumber on his credentials. It would work in his favor if he is a member of a best practices organization. This will mean that his licensing is in place as is his insurance and that his work has been certified as being of a particular good quality. To save you the hassle, you could go to the local trade body and ask for references there. Make sure that they have a team that is willing to come out on calls late into the night, on weekends and even on major holidays. The one thing about leaks is that they are not going to time themselves and the last thing you need is having a clogged bath with your dinner guests waiting for you downstairs.

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