

Of course it's of interest!

“Not sure if this is of interest but I started work on the assembly line in August 1968. We did 6 MGB's in a row then one Midget to break the monotony. I started work there literally the day after I stepped off the boat from England. It was quite easy to get a job in those days though I did exaggerate my qualifications (I had none). I think the fact that I spoke English was a plus but we had plenty of Lebanese and Yugoslav workmates. Pay was about \$50 a week. I was on the first station of assembly. The bodies were built for left and right hand drive and my job was to fill up all the unused holes with screws, metal plates and grommets. The trickiest part was fixing the chrome grill between the wipers, using a magnetised pair of pliers and tiny spring clips. There were three of us at this station and we learnt to step around each other like a game of Twister. There were about 12 stations and a car was driven off the end about one hour after we had started on it. I confess to having zero knowledge of the technical aspects of the cars and, like my co-workers, we never dreamed we would own one. Unfortunately I still don't but I have always admired them.”

Thanks David.