

Listening: Motivation to work

1. Think: How do you think companies use the things in the pictures below to motivate staff?

mo-ti-vate /'məʊtəveɪt/

ˌ'məʊtə'veɪt/ verb to make someone want to do something:
Teachers should motivate students to stay in school.

From Longman Wordwise Dictionary.



B 2.2 Listen and check. Which other ideas do they talk about? Which ideas do you think are the best?

Drag the ideas to the suitable company

free coffee cheap massage free bus ride free lunch dentist bring children

Yahoo:

Google:

Starbucks:

2. Listen again and complete the gaps with the words from the box (you need to type them)

Google	insurance	benefits	Starbucks	bring
included	holiday	Internet	employees	staff
dentist	bonus	cheap	desk	hairdresser
phone	workers	Fantastic	Yahoo	go fishing
Finally	ride			

M=Man W=Woman

M: These days many companies motivate their _____ in new and different ways. _____ companies are a good example. At _____ there's a free bus _____ to work for the employees. There's also a _____ and a _____ at the office. And one day a month the staff watch films together. These are all great ideas for motivating your _____

W: Well, _____ also has some interesting ways to motivate staff. Lunch is free. And after sitting at your _____ for hours, you can have a _____ massage in the office.

M: Wow.

W: Another nice little _____ – you can take your dog to work.

M: Yahoo and Google are quite famous for this type of thing. But what _____ do other companies give their _____? Well, we found one company that takes its employees on a surprise _____ every year. The staff go to the airport but they don't know where they are flying to. In the past these trips _____ Amsterdam, Iceland and even the Caribbean.

W: At _____ employees get free coffee, of course, but they can also _____ their children to work.

M: And there's a _____ company that has a party for the staff on the last Friday of every month – with free drinks.

W: _____, a very interesting idea: an (_____ company keeps fish in a little river next to the office. The employees _____ after work and they take home all the fish that they catch.

M: _____

W: Isn't that a great idea?