A Match words a-x with their translation 1-24

1. apply for a job =
2. give up a job=
3. be on the dole=
4. working conditions=
5. job vacancies=
6. company car=
7. hand in a resignation=
8. maternity leave=
9. make a loss=
10. unemployment benefit=
11. catch up on your workload=
12. get ahead =
13. set up own business=
14. take on staff=
15. stand down from the position=
16. leave somebody to it=
17. take on responsibility=
18. take over somebody`s position=
19. go out of business=
20. involve night shifts=
21. white-collar job=
22. steady income (wages)=
23. self-employed=
24. chances of promotion=

a) можливість кар'єрного росту
b) подати заявку на роботу
c) самозайнятий
d) вакансії на роботу
e) заробітна плата
f) звільнитися
g) отримувати допомогу по безробіттю
h) розумова праця
i) збанкрутувати
j) умови праці
k) найняти робітників
l) зайняти чиюсь посаду
m) робочий автомобіль
n) подати заяву на звільнення
o) нести відповідальність
p) зазнати збитків
q) передбачати нічні зміни
r) досягнути чогось
s) допомога по безробіттю
t) декретна відпустка
u) залишити роботу на когось
v) започаткувати бізнес
w) піти у відставку
x) надолужувати роботу

B Write the opposites of the following expressions.

1. badly paid - _____
2. find a job - _____
3. day shift - _____
4. make an appointment - _____
5. a job with a future - _____
6. part-time job - _____
7. physical work - _____
8. a temporary job - _____
9. employ someone - _____
10. an experienced worker - _____

C Circle the words or phrases in bold that complete the sentences correctly.

When I was 27, I started my first job. It really wasn't easy to find a(n) (1) **well-paid / extra** and interesting job then. I did a lot of casual work, however, I couldn't (2) **support / bring up** my family so I had to look for a better job. I worked as a kitchen helper for a while but soon I was (3) **sacked / self-employed** and my husband (4) **also got a commission / was also made redundant,** so we were both (5) **on the dole / dismissed**.

Not having any chances of finding a job with a future, as I didn't have either work experience or good (6) **qualifications / salary**, I had to go abroad to make a living. I did seasonal work picking strawberries. The pay was good, but the (7) **workmates / working conditions** were really difficult. When I came back, my husband and I decided to (8) **start our own business / go for an interview** even though it would require a lot of hard work and dedication.

Now, we are 55 and we (9) **retired / got a pay rise** two years ago. Our son is (10) **in charge of the company / given notice** and we are living happily off our high pensions.

This just goes to show that you can be successful, provided you never give up hope.

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E Put the prompts 1-6 in order to form idioms and match them to the definitions a–f.

IDIOMS

1. under / snowed / be
2. outside / box / think / the
3. ladder / climb / the / career
4. on / good / paper / be
5. job / a / have / dead-end
6. meet / ends / make

a. to sound good in theory but perhaps not work in practice
b. to have too much work to do
c. to have just enough money to pay for the necessities
d. to think imaginatively without being restricted by traditional ideas
e. to progress in a career or company by being promoted
f. to be in a job which provides no hope of progressing to a better position

F Complete the sentences with the correct form of the idioms in the box.

IDIOMS

be tied up | be the breadwinner | get the sack | put on hold | be an up-and-coming employee | work 24/7

1. My mum has _____ in the family ever since my dad lost his job.
2. The development of the new warehouse has been _____ because of financial problems.
3. Since the birth of my baby daughter, I have been _____ to make sure I can support my family.
4. I was shocked to hear that Oliver _____ because he is such an industrious and trustworthy individual.
5. I couldn't make it to the match last night because I _____ at work.
6. Andrew _____ and is expected to climb the career ladder quickly.

G Choose the correct answers.

Gemma has just 0 ___ for a summer job.
She wants to 1 ___ experience working for a travel agent.
She will have to 2 ___ part of a team and thinks she will enjoy it.
At the moment the job is only 3 ___ because it's only for the summer and she will be paid an hourly 4 ___.
She hopes to find a permanent job after university where she can build a career.
She speaks three languages fluently, so she hopes eventually to be an 5 ___for a large company.

0 A written	B gained	C applied	D earned
1 A give	B gain	C meet	D do
2 A be	B make	C get	D have
3 A permanent	B overtime	C shift	D temporary
4 A pay	B salary	C money	D rate
5 A engineer	B interpreter	C assistant	D attendant

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