



**Task 1. Match words 1-6 to words a-f.**

1 career

2 working

3 be made

4 job

5 rent-free

6 holiday

a satisfaction

b accommodation

c prospects

d redundant

e pay

f hour

**Task 2. Read the text and substitute the parts in brackets with the collocations from task 1.**

**Best place in the world to work? Google it!**

What makes a good job? Salary? (Chances of getting a better job in the future)

\_\_\_\_\_? Job stability (how likely it is to (lose your job)

\_\_\_\_\_)? Benefits such as (free housing) \_\_\_\_\_?

Every year, Fortune magazine makes a list of the 100 best companies to work for. In 2014, for the third year in a row, Google was at the top of the list. Why? Well, apart from all the benefits you would expect from a big company, such as up to twenty-five days (of vacation earning full salary) \_\_\_\_\_, Google offers some other unique advantages:



- Employees can spend up to 20% of their (time at work) \_\_\_\_\_ on a project of their choice.
- They get free food, gym membership, car washes and even haircuts!
- They can take their children and even their pets to work.
- All this guarantees a high level of (happiness at work) \_\_\_\_\_, which makes the internet giant a dream company to work for.

**Task 3. Complete the interviewer's (I) questions and candidate's (C) answers from a job interview. The first letter is given.**

I Why we're you u\_\_\_\_\_ from January to August last year?

C After I was made r\_\_\_\_\_, I decided to take a management course.

I Are you flexible about w\_\_\_\_\_ hours and travelling?

C I understand that flexibility is an important part of this o\_\_\_\_\_.

I What type of w\_\_\_\_\_ c\_\_\_\_\_ would make a difference to you?

C Well, the s\_\_\_\_\_ is very attractive, but health insurance would be a real plus.

**Task 4. Read the text and correct five mistakes. Two examples are correct.**

There are many websites dedicated to people who have changed careers. Here are some amazing stories from some of them:

- From Banking to Fitness Marie Gregor **used to feeling** \_\_\_\_\_ frustrated as a bank manager, but now she runs a successful fitness business.
- From Marketing to Chef Simon Hunt **didn't used to like** \_\_\_\_\_ all the marketing courses he had to take, so he decided to retrain as a chef.
- From Teaching to Gardening Gianluca Biaggio owns a gardening business. The only thing he misses from his old job in a school is his friends, who he **would talk** \_\_\_\_\_ to every day.
- From Telesales to Watersports After Martin Holmes **used to go** \_\_\_\_\_ on a year-long holiday, he knew he couldn't go back to his life he **used to have** \_\_\_\_\_, so he decided to qualify as a watersports instructor.
- From Nurse to Actor Ben Atkinson's talents were being wasted in the hospital where he **is used to work** \_\_\_\_\_. Now he works in the theatre, which is his real passion.





- From IT to Photography Susan Wainwright would be responsible \_\_\_\_\_ for training people in IT, and now travels the world taking photos.

**Task 5.** Read some answers to the question: “Why did you decide to work from home?” Rewrite five of the sentences using *used to*. Put a minus (-) next to a sentence you cannot rewrite.

1 I spent more than two hours on the bus every day.

\_\_\_\_\_

2 I didn't see much of my children during the week.

\_\_\_\_\_

3 People interrupted me all the time.

\_\_\_\_\_

4 I was fired and became freelance.

\_\_\_\_\_

5 I hated wearing a tie every day.

\_\_\_\_\_

6 I felt depressed on Sundays, thinking about going to the office the next day.

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**Task 6.** Could you decide to work from home? Why yes/not? Use the work-related expressions used above to support your opinion.

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