

b Read the interview. Complete 1–5 with questions from the list.

Do you have time together?
Does he have free weekends?
What do you do, Jess?
What does your husband do?
Do you work long hours?

c  3.8 Listen and check.



**He works
at night,**

**but she works
during the day...**



Adapted from a website

SHOPPING		CARL OVERTIME						
coffee		Tuesday						
milk		Friday						
potatoes		Sunday						
day food								
cookies!								
FEED DOGS		M	T	W	T	F	S	S
am		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
pm		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		

¹ *What do you do, Jess?*

I work in an office. I'm an administrator.

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No, I don't. I work normal hours, from 9.00 to 5.00, Monday to Friday.

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He's a police officer. He works at night, from 8.00 p.m. to 6.00 in the morning.

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No, he doesn't. Well, he has two free days, but they're Wednesday and Thursday. He works Saturday and Sunday – they're busy nights for police officers.

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Not really, except when we're on vacation. I'm in bed when he comes home; he's in bed when I leave home in the morning. We don't eat together. That's awful. Sometimes I don't cook, I just have cookies for dinner.

Can you think of any good things about your different hours?

Yes, we earn more money because Carl does a lot of overtime.

Do you have any suggestions for couples like you?

Have a whiteboard in your hall or your kitchen and write down all the housework. Then tick things when you do them. That way, the dogs don't eat twice!

Glossary overtime extra hours