

Work and employment

2 Match each job from the box with the sentence which best refers to the job.

accountant chef estate agent plumber refuse collector
firefighter carpenter ~~vet~~

- a) Yesterday I had to give an injection to an injured bull. *vet*
 b) I get rather tired of picking up rubbish all day.
 c) I can help you sell your house.
 d) I can make new doors for the wardrobe if you like.
 e) Make sure that the fish is fresh by looking at the eyes.
 f) I'll come round and replace all the pipes in the kitchen.
 g) Unless you keep the receipts you'll pay more tax.
 h) The cause was either an electrical fault or a cigarette.

~~cashier~~ farmer mechanic photographer receptionist cook hairdresser
miner pilot vicar dentist librarian musician porter waiter

3 Which person from 1 and above would you need in each situation?

- a) One of the radiators has burst and flooded your bedroom. *plumber*
 b) You have to carry a lot of heavy bags at the airport.
 c) You think you need three fillings.
 d) Your fringe is too long and you want a perm.
 e) The floorboards in the living room need replacing.
 f) Your pet goat has started sneezing.
 g) You have read the menu twice and you are feeling hungry.
 h) Your car makes a funny whistling noise.

4 Complete each sentence with a word from the box. Use the words more than once.

business job ~~living~~ work

- a) Jack makes his....*living*.... working as a journalist.
 b) She has just left to go to....., I'm afraid.
 c) They worked very hard and now have their own.....
 d) There are still nearly two million people without.....
 e) The cost of.....has risen greatly over recent years.
 f) Stop interfering! This is none of your.....
 g) Lucy has a very good.....in an international company.
 h) I can't come out tonight. I've got too much.....to do.
 i) Some.....men came and dug a hole in the road outside.
 j) An early.....by Picasso was sold for £3,000,000.

5 Complete each sentence (a-h) with a suitable ending (1-8). Use each ending once.

- a) If you work hard, the company will give you.....*A*.....
 b) In a different job I could get a higher.....
 c) The best way to find new staff is to put a/an.....
 d) Because he had stolen the money, we decided that.....
 e) She has a pleasant personality but hasn't got the right.....
 f) In the meeting we are going to discuss the.....
 g) I think it would be a good idea to send in your.....
 h) We cannot give you the job without.....

- 1 qualifications for a job of this kind.
 2 advertisement in the local press on Friday.
 3 *application for the job as soon as possible.*
 4 promotion to a more responsible position.
 5 references from your previous employer.
 6 dismissing him was the only possible action we could take.
 7 salary and better conditions of employment.
 8 appointment of a new sales representative.

8 Underline the most suitable word or phrase.

- a) The building workers were paid their *income/salary/wages* every Friday.
 b) She's only been here three weeks. It's a/an *overtime/temporary* job.
 c) When he retired he received a monthly *bonus/pension/reward*.
 d) Apparently she *earns/gains/wins* over £60,000 a year.
 e) While the boss is away, Sue will be *in charge/in control/in place* of the office.
 f) Could I have two days *away/off/out* next week to visit my mother?
 g) Paul was always arriving late, and in the end he was *pushed/sacked/thrown*.
 h) When I left the job, I had to hand in my *application/dismissal/notice* three weeks beforehand.
 i) How much exactly do you *do/make/take* in your new job?
 j) If you have to travel on company business, we will pay your *costs/expenses/needs*.