

VOCABULARY: WORK



Revision

Activity 1: Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

1. In summer, some students are employed as _____ workers by our local hospital.
2. Apparently, all EU states have declined to ratify the UN Convention on the Right of _____ Workers and their families.
3. Are you employed by a company or are you _____?
4. In call centres, absence rates can be as high as 30 per cent and employee _____ rates can be high as 100 per cent.
5. In many countries, _____ work is often available on farms and in orchards, vineyards and forests.

turnover

self-employed

casual

seasonal

Migrant

Activity 2: Complete the parts of synonyms with items from the box.

1. to end / _____ a contract.
2. to fire / _____ an employee.
3. to recruit / _____ staff.
4. to make staff redundant to _____ staff.
5. to choose / _____ a candidate.
6. to quit / _____ one's job.



select
dismiss
terminate
take on
lay off
leave



Activity 3: Match the words from both columns to make compounds.



Activity 4: Complete the sentences with compounds from the previous exercise.

1. It doesn't matter how many hours you work. If you have worked continuously for the same employer for two years, you are entitled to have a _____ when you are laid off.
2. Most employers today are looking for people who can work across a wide variety of tasks within the workplace so _____, the ability to get on with other people and work in a team, are particularly important.
3. High employee turnover is a huge challenge for _____ managers.
4. _____ used to be given, but today growing numbers of professionals are reinventing themselves by setting up as portfolio workers.
5. When my _____ was up, my employers agreed to let me finish at 3 o'clock instead of 5 so I could spend more time with my baby.
6. Portfolio workers should be able to have a better _____ but the people who employ them often expect them to be on call 24/7.

maternity
leave

communication
skills

work-life balance

redundancy package

job security

Human Resources

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