

Jobs and Job Titles

Many job titles are formed by adding specific endings to a base word. Complete the sentences with the appropriate job title, paying attention to which suffix pattern is used.

-ER / -OR Endings (person who does an action)

1. A good _____ always cares about their students. (teach)
2. I get my bread from the local bakery. The _____ always makes it fresh for me.
3. Always be polite and greet the _____ when getting on the bus.
4. The _____ is never late with the mail.
5. He taught me how to ski in one day. He is a good _____. (instruct)
6. We have a _____ who comes twice a month to cut the grass and trim the plants.
7. I will never be a professional _____, but I do like to take pictures.
8. Her pictures are beautiful. She is a wonderful _____. (paint)
9. He is my favorite _____. I love his movies. (act)
10. I need to buy a ring for my girlfriend. Do you know a good _____? (jewelry)
11. I have been a _____ at Bungie for 10 years. Making computer games is complicated.

-IST Endings (specialist in a field)

12. He plays the violin in the orchestra. He is a _____.
13. _____ are always finding new ways to improve our lives. (science)
14. I always go to the same beauty salon because my friend is a good _____.
15. She always loved working with flowers, so becoming a _____ was a good idea.
16. Whether you paint, sculpt, draw, or carve, if you create something beautiful, you are an _____ . (art)
17. A good _____ can write novels, as well as short stories.

-IAN Endings (person with expertise/profession)

18. To be a good _____, you should know a lot about government. (politics)
19. I had a problem with the lights, so we called the _____. (electric)
20. That is a good group. They are all good _____. (music)
21. My dog was sick last week so we took him to the _____.
22. He always loved doing magic, so now as a _____ he is very happy.

Other Job Titles (irregular forms)

23. My son is a _____. He flies for Korean Airlines.
24. Every night the _____ cleans the office and empties the garbage cans.
25. He enjoys being a _____ because he likes the water and he likes helping people.
26. In a very fancy restaurant, the _____ has spent a lot of time studying cooking.
27. I sit in the office all day typing into forms and documents. I don't like being a _____.
28. We have a live-in _____ who takes care of the children during the day.
29. People come to me to help them become rich. A _____ helps people make decisions about what to do with their money. (finance)