

Before you listen. Match the phrases to their meanings:

Vocabulary	Meaning
1. Tumble out of bed	A. Trying very hard to be successful
2. Cup of ambition	B. To leave bed in a clumsy or tired way
3. Blood starts pumpin'	C. Work done for someone else's benefit
4. Traffic starts jumpin'	D. The heart starts beating faster
5. 9 to 5	E. Energy and motivation to pursue goals
6. Barely gettin' by	F. A typical full-time work schedule
7. Service and devotion	G. Just surviving, without much extra
8. Climb the ladder	H. Roads getting busy as people travel

While you listen. Fill in the blanks:

"9 to 5" – Dolly Parton

Tumble outta bed and I stumble to the _____

Pour myself a cup of _____ and yawn and stretch and try to come to life

Jump in the shower and the blood starts _____

Out on the street the traffic starts jumpin'

With _____like me on the job from 9 to 5

(Chorus)

Workin' 9 to 5, what a way to make a _____

Barely gettin' by, it's all takin' and no _____

They just use your mind and they never give you _____

It's enough to drive you _____ if you let it

9 to 5, for service and devotion

You would think that I would deserve a fair _____

Want to move ahead but the boss won't seem to _____

I swear sometimes that man is out to get me

(Chorus)

Workin' 9 to 5, what a way to make a _____

Barely gettin' by, it's all takin' and no _____

They just use your mind and they never give you _____

It's enough to drive you _____ if you let it

After you listen. Think critically.

1. How does the song reflect the experience of working-class people, especially women?
2. Do you think the song is still relevant today? Why or why not?
3. What changes would you make to improve the typical working day in modern jobs?