

JOBS, WORK, EMPLOYMENT



VOCAB PRACTICE

1 Match each English word or phrase with its correct definition. Write the letter next to each number.

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| 1. To afford | a. Job candidate meeting to get hired |
| 2. Appointed | b. Reasonable, just |
| 3. To apply for a position | c. To search for something |
| 4. Available | d. Able to do something well |
| 5. Businessperson | e. Boss or person who gives work |
| 6. Career | f. Enthusiastic, eager |
| 7. Common sense | g. Leave a job voluntarily |
| 8. Duty | h. A person learning a job |
| 9. Employer | i. Has achieved success |
| 10. Employee | j. Not having a job |
| 11. Entrepreneur | k. Income made from business |
| 12. To earn | l. To refuse or reject an offer |
| 13. Fair | m. Hard or difficult |
| 14. Interview | n. Able to pay for something |
| 15. Keen | o. Person who works for a company |
| 16. To look for | p. To ask formally for a job |
| 17. Overtime | q. Personal document showing qualifications |
| 18. Profit | r. To advance someone to a higher position |
| 19. To promote | s. Working extra hours |
| 20. Reliable | t. Trustworthy or dependable |
| 21. Résumé | u. Your professional path |
| 22. To resign | v. Business owner or innovator |
| 23. To retire | w. Not working for someone else |
| 24. Self-employed | x. A task or responsibility |
| 25. Skilled | y. Free to be used or taken |
| 26. Successful | z. Person involved in commerce |
| 27. Tough | |
| 28. Trainee | |
| 29. To turn down | |
| 30. Unemployed | |

2 There are 4 words with no direct synonym here. Can you define them?

3 To get the sack / To be sacked: To lose your job (to be fired).

Example: After missing too many deadlines, he got the sack. **Synonyms:** to be fired, to be dismissed.

To climb the career ladder: To get promoted and improve your position at work.

Example: She started as an intern but quickly climbed the career ladder. **Related vocabulary:** career, promotion, successful.

To make ends meet: To earn just enough money to cover basic expenses.

Example: Many part-time workers struggle to make ends meet. **Related vocabulary:** salary, income, to earn, to make a living.

To go the extra mile: To do more than what is expected in your job.

Example: Our new employee always goes the extra mile to help customers. **Related vocabulary:** reliable, keen, employee, duty.

Idioms

