

1. Read and translate the text.

CHOOSING AN OCCUPATION

One of the most difficult problems a young person faces is deciding what to do about a career. There are individuals, of course, who from the time they are six years old "know" that they want to be doctors or pilots or fire fighters, but the majority of us can't make a decision about an occupation or career when they leave school. Choosing an occupation is a difficult problem. There are a lot of things you have to think about as you try to decide what you would like to do. You may find that you will have to take special courses to qualify¹ for a particular kind of work, or may find out that you will need to get some work experience². Fortunately, there are a lot of people you can turn to for advice and help in making your decision. At most schools, there are teachers who can counsel³ you and give detailed information about job qualifications⁴. And you can talk over your ideas with family members and friends who are always ready to listen and to offer suggestions.

Notes:

1. qualify for ['kwɒlɪfaɪ] – (зд.) получать специальность, квалификацию
2. experience [ɪks'pɪəriəns] – опыт
3. counsel [kaʊnsəl] – советовать
4. job qualifications – сумма качеств, необходимых для приема на работу

Ex.2. Decide which sentences are true and which sentences are false.

1. It is difficult to choose your future profession.
2. There are not a lot of people you can turn to for advice and help in making your decision.
3. Teachers can give you detail information about job qualifications.
4. All students can make a decision about an occupation or career when they leave school.

3. Open the brackets and use Present Perfect.

- 1 I (see) this film already.
- 2 John and Julie (had) their car for about a year.
- 3 She (not / take) her driving test yet.
- 4 Sue (be) a tour guide since she left university.
- 5 (you / ride) into town on your new bike yet?
- 6 This new computer (make) my life a lot easier.
- 7 We (not / decide) what to get Mark for his birthday yet.
- 8 (Paul / ever / meet) a famous person?