

Reading 1

Read the text and answer the questions.

For each question (7 – 13), choose the correct answer according to the text: **True**, **False** or **Not given**.

The World of Work

I believe that in order to be successful in the world of work today, you must have the necessary skills required. These 21st century skills are made up of things such as problem solving, communication skills, creativity and maybe even leadership. Before applying for a job, you need to make sure that your CV looks professional and is completed with only the necessary information. People often make mistakes when writing their CVs. The most common mistakes made when writing a CV is using too many colours which can make it look unprofessional; and having long explanations, which can make it confusing for the reader.

Once you are happy with your CV, you should go ahead and start looking for jobs that interest you. Using social networking sites is a good way to search for a job. You can post information about your achievements and qualifications to make yourself look attractive to future potential employers.

When it comes to choosing a job, I think the most unusual jobs are the most interesting. Did you know that there are people who are paid to sleep at work? They are called bed testers, people who test beds and pillows for companies and hotels. Sounds like a dream job, though I do not think I would like it – I would get really bored. You can also look for employment in traditional workplaces such as banks or big organisations. The benefits of having these kinds of jobs is that you often work collaboratively and it can sometimes make you resilient.

Frankly, if you are a person with original and innovative ideas and you have an idea for a business that springs to mind, you might want to start up your own. A great and recent example of a successful start-up company is Food 30. This company offers cooked meals every month to its subscribers. They provide 5 meals and send them out every morning.

7. You need to have problem-solving skills to be an engineer.

True

False

Not given

8. People always write perfect CVs.

True

False

Not given

9. You should be careful with information you post on social networking sites.

True

False

Not given

10. The author would like to be a bed tester.

True

False

Not given

11. Working at traditional workplaces gives you the chance to work as a team.

True

False

Not given

12. Food 30 is a start-up company founded by a young Emirati.

True

False

Not given

13. Food 30 deliver the meals to the subscribers every morning.

True

False

Not given

