

## People who work in tourism

The tourism industry is the **number one** industry in The Bahamas. Many Bahamians are employed in this important industry. Each person is employed to serve our guests has a very important role to play in ensuring that the industry continues to grow and prosper. Every job is important, and each person who serves our guests is an **ambassador** of The Bahamas.



When workers do their job well, the tourists are **happy**. If they enjoy their stay in The Bahamas, they will stay longer; they will spend more money, and they will come back again.

Tourists need somewhere to stay. There are many people working in hotels to make a visitor's stay pleasant and enjoyable. Here's a list of some of them:

Manager, maid, plumber, painter, gardener, bartender, accountant, lifeguard, chef, waitress, waiter, security officer, and a doorman. Most hotels and resorts have several managers. When you work at a resort, you must be **friendly, patient, and polite**.

Our government and the hotels spend millions of dollars each year to attract visitors to The Bahamas. Tourism is very important to our country. It provides jobs for many Bahamians. More people have jobs in tourism than in any other area. For every 10 Bahamian workers, seven work in the tourist industry.

1. A person who works at a resort must be \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. (3)

2. Why is tourism important to our country? (2)

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3. What are TWO things tourists may do if they enjoy their stay in The Bahamas? (2)

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Use the numbers on the pictures to the right and write them in the chart to match the correct job. (12)

| Jobs               | # |
|--------------------|---|
| lifeguard          |   |
| bellman            |   |
| security officer   |   |
| bartender          |   |
| cook               |   |
| office person      |   |
| maid               |   |
| front office clerk |   |
| plumber            |   |
| waitress           |   |
| painter            |   |
| gardener           |   |

