

THINKING OF THE TOPIC

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In the United States drinking water comes from a few different places. Many cities get their drinking water from special lakes called reservoirs. Other cities get their water from rivers. For example, the drinking water for New Orleans comes from the Mississippi River. In some areas, people get their water from the mountains. The water from mountain snow is delicious and clean. In other areas people dig deep holes in the ground for water. These holes are called wells. Outside of cities, most people get their water this way

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Many American scientists are worried about the drinking water in the United States. They think that soon there may be no more clean drinking water. Dirt, salt and chemicals from factories can get into the water. Then it is not safe to drink. This is already true in some places. One example is a small town in Massachusetts. Many children in this town became sick because of the dirty water. Another place with water problems is Sacramento, California. The water near an airport in Sacramento is not safe to drink. Many other cities and towns have water problems, too.

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It is very important to use water carefully. Here are some ways you can use less water. First, you should be sure you turn off the faucets tightly. They should not drip in the bathroom or kitchen sink. Second, you should not keep the water on for a long time. You should turn it off while you are doing something else. It should be off while you are shaving or brushing your teeth. It should also be off while you are washing the dishes. Finally, in the summer you should water your garden in the evening. That way you will not lose a lot of water. During the day the sun dries up the earth too quickly.

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Finding a job is often difficult for a young person today. But it will be easier if you follow these steps. First, you have to decide what kind of job you want. Think about what kind of work you like to do. You should talk to your friends and your family about it. You can also talk to some people with different kinds of jobs. Next you need to write a resume. This tells about your education and your earlier jobs. It should be carefully typed. Then you are ready to start looking for a job.

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The job of a young doctor is not easy. Doctors often spend many hours with a patient. There are usually more patients waiting. So doctors do not have much free time during the day. They often have to work all night in hospitals too. Or they may have to go somewhere suddenly when someone is ill. A doctor's decision may mean life or death for the patient. Even when doctors are very tired, they have to think very carefully.

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The worst problem may be over when you find a good job. But you must think about keeping your job. You may lose it if you are not careful. Be sure you arrive at work on time every morning. You should not stop every hour for coffee. And you should not leave early too often. An important part of your job may be the way you work with other people. If you are difficult to work with, you may have trouble. Or you may have trouble if you do not make friends with the other people at your job. Remember these things if you want to keep your job!

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