HW A: Dictation Exercise

Directions: Listen to the audio as many times as you need to, and then fill in the blanks.

What did you _____ to be when you were a _____? A teacher? A doctor? A _____ _____ ? Well, maybe this isn't a _____ we should be _____ children _____ _____. So says Simone Stolzoff, _____ of The Good _____ Job: _____ Life from Work. He says when we ask _____ what they want to be, we make it _____ like having our "_____ job" is the most important _____ in life. In his 20s, Stolzoff _____ in _____, _____ and _____ before getting _____ a job as a _____. He was _____ to find the job that would _____ who he was as a person. "I really didn't feel like I was _____ between two jobs," Stolzoff _____ CNN. "I was choosing between two _____ of me."

But Stolzoff says _____ aren't really designed to give our lives _____. And he says that, _____ in the US, there's a _____ to always be the _____ at what you do — and this can even become part of _____ _____, as people

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_____ _____ to, say, run harder _____ or read more books in a year. Stolzoff took the designer job, but he _____ it in 2022 to finish _____ his book — and find his _____ outside of work.

It's _____, he says, not to look for the "_____" job, but to _____ what _____ is "good enough" to _____ the type of life you want — _____ that means a _____ salary, _____, schedule or _____. And when you decide that, you won't keep _____ if there's something better out there for you. "Now, I'm an author and a _____ _____," he told Forbes. "But _____ _____, I _____ my work as part of — not the _____ of — who I am." He now _____ _____ to stop working and do things like _____ _____with a friend — and _____ people _____ _____ outside of work for _____, friends and _____.

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