

Work

1 Describing your job

a Read the texts and match them to the pictures. What are the jobs?



A



B

1 I only work **part-time** – four mornings a week, and I sometimes do overtime on a Saturday morning. I don't earn a big salary. It's a **temporary** job and I only have a six-month **contract** at the moment. But the **working hours** suit me as I have very young children. When they go to school I would like to find a **permanent** job and work **full-time**. What I like most about my job is working in complete silence! The only noise you can hear is of people turning pages and whispering.

2 I did a six-month **training course** at Technical College to get my **qualifications** and then I worked for a local company to get some **experience**. I worked long hours for a low salary and so I **resigned** last year and became **self-employed**. I prefer working for myself. I don't work regular hours (sometimes people call me in the middle of the night) but you can earn a lot of money in this job, especially in the winter. If I'm lucky, I'll be able to **retire** when I'm 60!

b Match the **highlighted** words in the texts to definitions.

- 1 a written legal agreement
- 2 the knowledge you get from doing a job
- 3 a series of lessons to learn to do a job
- 4 the time you spend doing a job
- 5 working for yourself, not for a company
- 6 to stop working when you reach a certain age, e.g. 65
- 7 left a job because you wanted to
- 8 lasting for a short time
- 9 for only a part of the day or the week
- 10 exams you've passed or courses you've done

contract

(opposite _____)

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2 Saying what you do

Complete the Prepositions column.

	Prepositions
1 I work for a multinational company.	_____
2 I work as a manager.	_____
3 I'm in charge of the marketing department.	_____ , _____
4 I work in a factory.	_____
5 I'm responsible for customer loans.	_____
6 I'm at school / university.	_____
7 I'm in my third year.	_____

Prepositions

_____ , _____

3 People

Write two more jobs in each column.

-er	-or	-ist	-ian	others
lawyer /'la:jə/	actor	psychologist	electrician	accountant
plumber	conductor	scientist	librarian	chef /ʃef/

⚠ An **employer** is a person or company that employs other people. An **employee** is a person who works for somebody.

Can you remember the words on this page? Test yourself or a partner.

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