64 Jobs


plumber


electrician


carpenter

D.H. Electronics are **seeking** a new **Chief Executive**

Rising complaints about the number of **civil servants in this country**

Manual workers in short supply

Government wants to create thousands of new **apprentices**

I've been a **jeweller** and **librarian**. Now, I'm a **housewife**.

Senior posts in Health Service still left **vacant**

I do **casual work** as a **barman** in the evenings.

It's very hard to find good **plumbers**, **electricians** and **carpenters nowadays**.

Being an **accountant** not as **lucrative** as it used to be!

I used to be a **butcher**, but now I'm a **handyman**.

New tax **incentives** for the **self-employed**

You need to be pretty **tough** to be a **bodyguard**.

We need more **entrepreneurs**, says Industry Minister

More people unwilling to accept low-**status** jobs

GLOSSARY

seek *formal* — try to find or get sth

executive — a person who has an important position as a manager in a business, organization, etc. A **chief executive** is the person with the highest rank in a company or organization.

apprentice — a young person who works for a fixed period of time in order to learn the skills needed in a particular job. An **apprenticeship** is the state of being an apprentice.

casual — (of work) not permanent or regular: ***casual work/labour***

barman — (female **barmaid**) a person who serves drinks from behind a bar in a pub

butcher — a person who sells meat

handyman — a man who is good at doing practical jobs inside or outside the house, as a hobby or as a job

tough — strong enough to deal with difficult conditions or situations

bodyguard — a person whose job is to protect sb

civil servant — a person who works for the **civil service**, which is all the government departments

jeweller — a person whose job is to buy, sell, make or repair **jewellery** such as *necklaces* and *watches*

librarian — a person who works in or is in charge of a library

housewife — (male **househusband**) a person who doesn't have a job outside the home and spends their time cleaning the home, looking after the family, etc.

nowadays — at the present time, in contrast with the past

incentive — sth that encourages you (to do sth)

self-employed — working for yourself and making money from your own business

entrepreneur — a person who makes money by starting or running a business, especially one involving financial risk

manual — using your hands

senior — having a high position in a company or organization

post *formal* — a job, especially an important one SYN **position**

vacant — (of a job in a company) available for sb to take **vacancy** *n*

accountant — a person whose job is to manage or examine the financial accounts of a company. **Accountancy** is the name of the profession.

lucrative *formal* — allowing sb to earn a lot of money

status — the social or professional position of sb/sth in relation to others: ***low/high status***

LIVEWORKSHEETS

1 **Is the pronunciation of the underlined letters the same or different? Write *S* or *D*. Use the APP to help you.**

1 b<u>u</u>tcher pl<u>u</u>mber .....
2 plum<u>b</u>er li<u>b</u>rarian .....
3 c<u>ar</u>penter b<u>ar</u>man .....
4 bar<u>man</u> handy<u>man</u> .....
5 <u>a</u>pprentice serv<u>a</u>nt .....
6 st<u>a</u>tus c<u>a</u>sual .....
7 l<u>i</u>brarian apprent<u>i</u>ce .....
8 v<u>a</u>cant m<u>a</u>nual .....
9 lucr<u>a</u>tive <u>a</u>ccountant .....
10 appr<u>e</u>ntice <u>e</u>ntrepreneur .....

2 **Mark the main stress on these words.**

apprentice	handyman	executive	entrepreneur
lucrative	librarian	electrician	nowadays
civil servant	vacancy	bodyguard	self-employed

3 **What's my job?**

1 I sell rings and necklaces. .....
2 I do lots of different small jobs. .....
3 I work for a government department. .....
4 I serve drinks in a pub. .....
5 I'm training to be a plumber. .....
6 I protect famous people. .....
7 I make things with wood. .....
8 I fix sinks and toilets. .....
9 I lend books. .....
10 I sell meat. .....
11 I look after the financial side of the business. .....
12 I do just about everything in the home. .....

4 **Which of these jobs are quite well-paid?**

1 apprentice .....
2 electrician .....
3 barman/barmaid .....
4 civil servant .....
5 housewife .....
6 casual work .....
7 accountant .....
8 manual worker .....
9 librarian .....

5 **Complete the sentences with a suitable word.**

1 The health service is always _____ more nurses; they are in such short supply.
2 They're not looking for junior staff; they want _____ staff.
3 You can earn a lot of money as an entrepreneur. It can be very _____.
4 In the past there were many opportunities, but _____ it's more difficult to find a job.
5 I've always enjoyed _____ work. That's why I became a carpenter.
6 Max used to work for a company, but he's been self-_____ now for five years.
7 If you're looking for work, try the post office: they've got lots of _____.
8 My dad has just become the new chief _____ of a big advertising company.
9 You have to be _____ if you want to join the armed forces as a marine.
10 There's no _____ to work for that company because the pay and conditions are so bad.
11 The chief executive had been in the _____ for nearly ten years, but when he retired and the job became _____, it was offered to a much younger man.
12 Though I've worked in different government departments, I've spent my whole career in the _____.

6 ABOUT YOU **Write your answers, or talk to another student.**

1 Do you have experience of any of the jobs in this unit? .....
2 Are you attracted to any of them? .....
3 Would you prefer to be self-employed? .....
4 Do you think you need incentives to work hard? .....
5 Are you good at manual work? .....
6 If you were looking for casual work in the evenings, would you be happy to be a barman/barmaid? .....
7 Do you think apprenticeships are a good idea? .....
8 Would you be happy as a housewife or househusband? .....
9 Would it matter to you if your job had low status? .....

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