

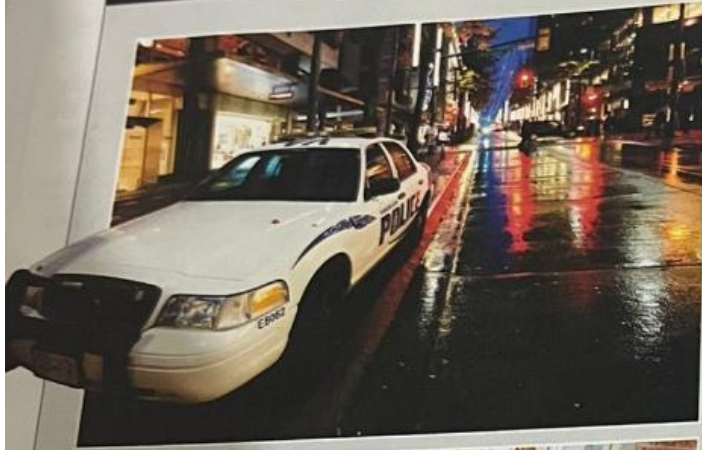
Do you have time together?
Does he have free weekends?
What do you do, Jess?
What does your husband do?
Do you work long hours?

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He works at night,



but she works during the day...



SHOPPING		CARL OVERTIME						
coffee		Tuesday						
milk		Friday						
potatoes		Sunday						
dog food								
cookies!								
FEED DOGS		M	T	W	Th	F	S	S
am		✓	✓	✓	✓			
pm		✓	✓	✓				

1 What do you do, Jess?

I work in an office. I'm an administrator.

2 Do you work long hours?

No, I don't. I work normal hours, from 9:00 to 5:00, Monday to Friday.

3 What does your husband do?

He's a police officer. He works at night, from 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 in the morning.

4 Does he have free weekends?

No, he doesn't. Well, he has two free days, but they're Wednesday and Thursday. He works Saturday and Sunday – they're busy nights for police officers.

5 Do you have time together?

Not really, except when we're on vacation. I'm in bed when he comes home; he's in bed when I leave home in the morning. We don't eat together. That's awful. Sometimes I don't cook, I just have cookies for dinner.

Can you think of any good things about your different hours?

Yes, we earn more money because Carl does a lot of overtime.

Do you have any suggestions for couples like you?

Have a whiteboard in your hall or your kitchen and write down the housework. Then check off things when you do them. That way, the dogs don't eat twice!

Glossary overtime extra