

Task 1. Read and mark the statements as true/false

CAREER CHOICES

I'm often asked the question 'How did you become a journalist?' You see, everybody expected me to become a doctor like my father. Well, during my last year of school, I was given the opportunity to visit a careers adviser and I can tell you she was not crazy about my career choices. My first choice was chocolate tester. Although the adviser wasn't very impressed, she got me the information. I discovered that chocolate testers earn a lot of money, so I was sure I had found my dream job. However, when I found out that chocolate testers don't just sit around eating chocolate all day, I lost my interest. It seems that they are also involved in planning how to sell the product. I finally decided against it when I realised a university degree would be needed. Next, I thought of becoming a football referee. I had loved football from a young age, but being a professional footballer was out of the question, as I couldn't play very well. Anyway, it seems that referees must be able to run two and a half miles in less than twelve minutes and they are required to take exams throughout their training. On top of that, after many years of experience — and if they are lucky — they might get the chance to referee big professional matches. So, my dream of showing David Beckham a red card was destroyed. Finally, I had this brilliant idea of becoming a dog stylist. That was after I realised how much money our dog stylist, Shirley, was paid every time we visited her with our dog, Philipo. However, once, while she was styling Philipo, I noticed that he tried to bite her. 'It happens all the time,' she told me. As you can imagine, that really put me off. To cut a long story short, all this made me realise I had a gift for research, so by the end of the school year I had decided to become a journalist.

1. Many people thought that the writer would follow the career of another family member.
2. The careers adviser liked the writer's ideas about possible careers.
3. The careers adviser suggested the job of a chocolate tester.
4. The writer was under the impression that the only thing chocolate testers do is taste chocolate.
5. Becoming a football referee is difficult for a number of reasons.
6. The writer decided not to become a dog stylist when he discovered that they don't get paid well.

Task 2. Read and choose the correct option

PAINT A MOOD

Thinking of redoing your walls and can't decide on a colour? Here are a few ideas. Red is a warm colour that makes people (7) so it's perfect for your living room, (8) you want guests to talk to each other and enjoy themselves. Yellow is an energizing, happy colour which reminds us (9) sunshine. It goes well in kitchens and dining rooms, but it should not be the main colour in the room, as it (10) also make us feel angry. Orange is an exciting colour, and is best (11) for kids' playrooms or exercise rooms. Blue is a very calming colour, which is ideal for bedrooms and bathrooms, as long as (12) natural light enters the room. Lastly, green is actually (13) the best colour for all rooms because it mixes the relaxing qualities of blue (14) the warmth of yellow, and and encourages togetherness.

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| 7. A. upset | B. annoyed | C. sociable |
| 8. A. when | B. where | C. which |
| 9. A. to | B. with | C. of |
| 10. A. may | B. would | C. must |
| 11. A. use | B. used | C. using |
| 12. A. plenty | B. enough | C. lots |
| 13. A. considering | B. considered | C. considers |
| 20. A. to | B. of | C. with |