

Revision Lessons 7, 8 & 9

1. Vocabulary

Elige la opción correcta: a, b, c o d.

For 10 years, I had a ¹ ___ job as an accountant. The company had about 250 ² ___ and I liked being a(n) ³ ___ of a large company. My working ⁴ ___ was very traditional. I started at 9 a.m., had a lunch break at 1 p.m. and finished at 6 p.m. One day, I decided I wanted to do something with a more ⁵ ___ schedule. Now I have my own company and I'm ⁶ ___. I sell music equipment online. My working ⁷ ___ is very different now. I work ⁸ ___ – in the mornings only. I have a(n) ⁹ ___ for the next six weeks. She's helping me make a new website for my business. I want to be ¹⁰ ___ when I am about fifty years old.

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|---------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| 1 a permanent | b temporary | c fixed | d self-employed |
| 2 a employers | b interns | c jobs | d staff |
| 3 a retired | b employee | c staff | d employer |
| 4 a patterns | b job | c day | d hours |
| 5 a fixed | b flexible | c set | d permanent |
| 6 a temporary | b retired | c staff | d self-employed |
| 7 a life | b job | c hours | d patterns |
| 8 a temporary | b full-time | c part-time | d permanent |
| 9 a employer | b worker | c staff | d intern |
| 10 a staff | b retired | c fixed | d temporary |

2. Listening

Escucharás ocho grabaciones breves dos veces. Para las preguntas 1 a 8, elige la respuesta correcta.

1 How many days a week does the man work?

- a 3
- b 5
- c 7

2 What does the man do at lunchtime?



a



b



c

3 Who is going to finish preparing the presentation?

- a Sandra
- b Dmitri
- c Rens

4 What kind of work is the company offering?

- a permanent
- b flexible hours
- c full time

5 What do the man and woman decide to do about the staff party?

- a delay it until summer
- b book a restaurant now
- c ask for different ideas

6 What is the new meeting date?

- a Monday 6 June
- b Wednesday 8 June
- c Monday 13 June

7 What was the woman's first job?

- a a shop assistant
- b delivering newspapers
- c cleaner

8 Where are they going to meet?

a



b



c



3. Reading

Lee el siguiente texto y elige la respuesta correcta para cada pregunta.

Making Better Offices

People spend a lot of time at work and companies spend a lot of money providing workplaces. Workplaces have changed a lot in the past fifty years. We can now see more relaxing spaces and open desk spaces in many offices but could this change more in the future? One company, WeWork, have been collecting data to do just that.

WeWork is a co-working supplier that have offices around the world. They provide self-employed people or small businesses a flexible space to work in. People can pay for an office or just use the facilities and a desk. They have offices worldwide and they have become central London's biggest office occupiers.

They have learnt a lot from having office spaces in many different countries. In their offices, they observe the daily routines of everybody who is working there. For example, they can see how many people are using conference rooms, and how often these rooms are booked. They can watch how people are using the group spaces and how they walk around the offices. They have also conducted surveys asking staff what they think of the spaces.

With all this information, WeWork is now offering office design services to businesses. They want to make sure companies are only renting the space they need and are using that space in the best way possible. The overall aim for companies is to save money by a clever design of the workplace.

David Fano of WeWork explained that one problem is how much space people really use at work. An example is people who send out meeting invites with RSVPs for three people, but they have booked an eight-person room. Using ideas like smaller conversation areas can help people work better and then businesses save money.

However, it isn't all about saving money; the environment of a work space can improve the way people work and this can change depending on the focus of a meeting. Data has shown that for a sales meeting it can be a good idea to have bright lights and some music in the background because this gives energy to the participants and makes them feel positive. With more and more data on working habits, WeWork may continue to make work spaces more effective for companies and employees in the future.

1 What does the writer say about past workplaces in paragraph one?

- a** They were bad.
- b** They were more relaxed.
- c** They were different to now.

2 What does WeWork do?

- a** It provides flexible workspaces.
- b** It helps start up small businesses.
- c** It supplies office equipment.

3 How do WeWork learn about office space?

- a** by studying how workers use their office space
- b** by having conferences in different countries
- c** by changing workers' routines

4 What do WeWork ask workers about?

- a** their weekly work schedules
- b** their opinions on where they work
- c** their reasons for doing their job

5 What is WeWork's new goal?

- a** to rent more office spaces
- b** to help designers create smaller office space
- c** to help businesses use office space better

6 What does David Fano think is one problem for businesses?

- a** They have many cancelled meetings.
- b** They waste meeting space.
- c** They don't have enough meeting rooms.

7 The last paragraph explains how WeWork can make work spaces more ...

- a** relaxing.
- b** productive.
- c** money saving.

