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All at sea

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Hi, my name is Robert. I work in an oil rig on the North Sea.

Shift work

On the oil rig, we work in **shifts**. This means some of us work during the day and when we stop, another group of people starts working through the night. The shifts can be 12 hours long.

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The oil rig drills for oil from the bottom of the sea. The oil is then pumped to the surface and taken away on ships. My job is to make sure the drills and pumps work properly. Other people on the rig drive cranes or cook meals for us.

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Glossary

cargo	things that are carried by a ship or other vehicle
cabins	big bedrooms where a lot of people sleep
engineers	people who design or build machines
gravity	force that pulls objects towards
hostel	place where people who work on the rig live
machinery	group of machines that do difficult work
orbiting	moving around a planet or the moon
remote	place that is far away from everywhere
research station	somewhere that is used as a big laboratory
scientists	people who study and learn about things
shifts	periods of time when people do work

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