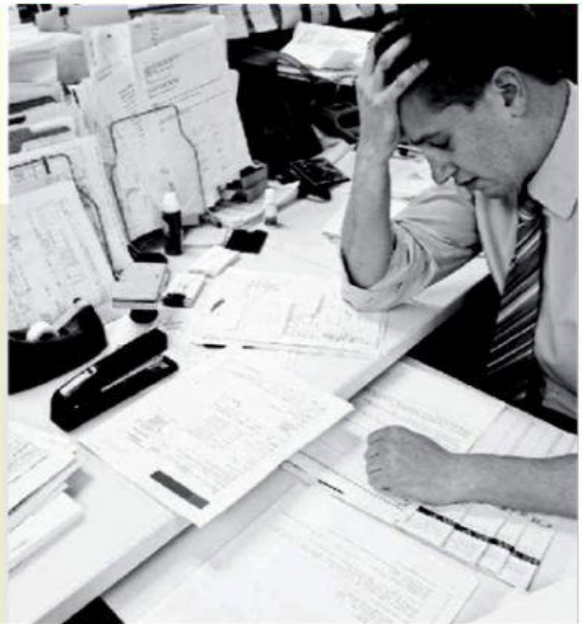


1 Complete the text about job dissatisfaction. Use these words.

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Are you satisfied with your job? In a survey of 1,673 workers by an American non-profit research group, it was found that 52 per cent of workers in the USA were dissatisfied at work in 2014. Most employees ¹ _____ they had more job security. What about you? Do you wish you ² _____ more job security? 60 per cent reported they ³ _____ rather work with people they liked. And do you think to yourself 'If only I ⁴ _____ with friendlier colleagues'? 41 per cent said they would ⁵ _____ do work that interested them than paid them more. Is that the same for you?



2 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

1. If you would be / were dissatisfied in your job, what would you do?
2. Suppose you have studied / studied part-time and were happier, what would you do then?
3. If it didn't get / wouldn't get better, what would you do?
4. I would take / had taken a course instead, if there was one on offer.
5. What would you do if you offered / were offered a job volunteering in another country?
6. He said he 'd talked / 'd talk to his boss about promotion if he ever got offered a job elsewhere.
7. If I'd updated my CV and wasn't happy at work, I applied / 'd apply somewhere else.
8. If you retrained to do something that suited you better, what would you do / did?
9. If he wasn't happy at work, he 'd do / did do nothing about it.
10. If she decided to take that course, what would she do after she would complete / completed it?

3 Use the prompts to write unreal past sentences.

1. Supposing / you / dissatisfied at work, / apply for / a new job?

_____ ?

2. If he / have / problem / at work, he / not / talk / boss.

_____ .

3. If I / want / job abroad, I / update / CV.

_____.

4. I wish / boss / offer me / a transfer. If / he / do / take it.

_____.

5. If / look for / new job, post / CV / online.

_____.

6. It's high time / you / more responsibility, / you / talk / boss / promotion opportunities.

_____.

4 **1 37** Complete the sentences about wishes and regrets. Then listen and check your answers.

1. He sends his regards. He wished he _____ you too. (see)

2. If we hadn't had that setback with the project, I _____. (go)

3. He always said he _____ with people than computers. (rather / work)

4. I wish I _____ to be a teacher when I had the chance. (train)

5. If only we _____ six weeks' summer holiday like him! (have)

6. I'd rather _____ all that marking. (not / have)

5 Match the questions with the responses.

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| 1 Do you mind if I contact Tim? | ☐ |
| 2 Supposing you don't get the job? | ☐ |
| 3 Can we interview candidates this week? | ☐ |
| 4 Don't you wish you hadn't turned that job down? | ☐ |
| 5 Would you mind checking the proposal with the boss? | ☐ |

- a I'd rather not think about that yet!
- b I'd rather we waited a bit if possible.
- c Not really, but I'd rather you didn't mention it.
- d I'd rather not until we are a bit further along with the planning.
- e I'd rather you didn't. I'd rather get in touch with him myself if you don't mind.