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CAREER EXPLORATION

WORK WORDS

1 Job synonyms

Match the job-related words on the left with their definitions on the right.

A CAREER	a type of work that needs special training or education
A PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION	something that people make for money
A POSITION	a specific job, e.g. Assistant Manager in a store
A JOB	a job or series of jobs someone does in their working life, often in one specific area

(if your pen doesn't work, copy the definitions in the box below. 1 definition per line)

2 Types of work - Write the types of work next to the situations.

NIGHT WORK	FULL-TIME WORK	PART-TIME WORK
SELF-EMPLOYMENT	VOLUNTEER WORK	INTERN WORK

night work

Aline prefers to work at the supermarket during the night because the pay is better.

self-employment

Christine works only in the evenings because she goes to school in the mornings.

volunteer work

Every day, John starts work at 9 am and gets off work at 5:00 pm.

intern work

Hannah helps out at the beach picking up trash. She doesn't get paid.

part-time work

Ian has his own delivery company.

full-time work

Fiona is working in ANTEL. She doesn't get paid, but she'll get experience to put in her CV.

3 Blue Collar / White Collar jobs

Classify the following jobs into white or blue collar. Write four jobs into each category.

banker
mechanic
electrician
cook
secretary
plumber

sales manager
receptionist
accountant
policewoman
waiter
computer programmer

WHITE COLLAR

A white-collar job is work that does not require manual labor and usually takes place in an office. This may involve sitting at a desk or working with a computer.



BLUE COLLAR

A blue-collar job is work that involves manual labor. This may involve manufacturing, construction, and other kinds of physical work.



BLUE COLLAR

WHITE COLLAR

Add two more jobs to each category (not from the list)

BLUE COLLAR

WHITE COLLAR

4 Career Paths - Put the following sentences about Mark's career into the correct order:

After a successful interview at Chemotech Inc, he was **HIRE** as a junior engineer.

1 After graduating from university, Mark decided to **APPLY** for a job as an engineer.

After nearly 20 years of running his own business, Mark decided to **RETIRE** early.

Chemotech ran into financial difficulties during the economic crisis, and Mark was **LAID OFF**.

He decided to become **SELF-EMPLOYED** and start his own business.

Mark worked hard for seven years and **GOT PROMOTED** to a better position.

5 Career Paths – Look at activity 4 and Put the expressions IN BOLD next to their meanings

retire

stop working.

lose your job.

get employed.

work independently, not for an employer.

move to a higher and better position.

officially ask for a job.



6 Ms. Souza profile – LISTEN to Ms. Souza profile and complete her job application.

1 PERSONAL INFORMATION

TITLE
MR MS

GENDER
MALE FEMALE

LAST NAME

FIRST NAME

NATIONALITY

2 SKILLS & EDUCATION

NATIVE LANGUAGE

SECOND LANGUAGE

OTHER STUDIES

PERSONALITY

3 EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

CURRENT JOB

EXPERIENCE IN

ACCOUNTING SALES HUMAN RESOURCES MARKETING

4 INTERESTED POSITION

APPLICATION FOR

CLERK SALES MANAGER SALES ASSISTANT RETAIL

PREFERRED TIME

DAY SHIFT NIGHT SHIFT FLEXIBLE HOURS

