Jobs

Name:_____ date:_____

A Working with your hands

socket

pipes

brick

wood

builder
[**builds** or repairs homes]

carpenter
[makes things using **wood**]

plumber
[**installs** and **repairs** water pipes, etc.]

electrician
[**installs** and **repairs** electrical things, e.g. lights]

mechanic
[**repairs** cars when there is a problem]

Language help

When something is damaged or broken, we often use **repair** or **fix**.
*Dad **repaired/fixed** the window for me.*   *I need someone to **fix/repair** the computer.*

With small pieces of equipment we can also use **mend**; with clothes we often use mend.
*Could you **fix/repair/mend** my watch?*   *I've **mended** your trousers for you.*

B Professions*

job	what he/she does
architect	**designs** buildings
lawyer	**represents** people with legal problems
engineer	**plans** the building of roads, bridges, machines, etc.
accountant	controls the financial situation of people and companies
university lecturer	teaches in a university, e.g. gives **lectures**

* jobs that need a lot of training and/or education

C The medical profession

These people **treat** people or animals. [give medicine or medical help]

GPs [general practitioners: doctors who don't work in a hospital], **dentists** [people who look after your teeth] and **vets** [animal doctors] all work in a place called a **surgery**. In hospital there are **nurses** who look after people, and **surgeons** who **operate on** people. [open the body to remove or repair a part that is damaged]

D The armed forces and the emergency services

My son **joined** the army when he was 18. [became a member of]

gun

soldier
(in the **army**)

sailor
(in the **navy**)

pilot
(in the **air force**)

police officer
(in the **police force**)

fireman/ firefighter (in the fire brigade)

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Exercises

35.1 **Match the job on the left with something the person uses on the right.**

1 lecturer [c]   a a gun
2 plumber [ ]   b wood
3 accountant [ ]   c books
4 builder [ ]   d pipes
5 soldier [ ]   e bricks
6 carpenter [ ]   f numbers

35.2 **Write down *one* job from the opposite page that would be difficult for the person in 2–6, and *three* jobs that would be difficult for the person in 7–9.**

1 Someone who didn't go to university.   *dentist* ....
2 Someone who is always sick on a boat.   ....
3 Someone who is not interested in cars.   ....
4 Someone who is afraid of dogs.   ....
5 Someone who is afraid of heights and high places. ....
6 Someone who is terrible at numbers and maths.   ....
7 Someone who isn't good at working with their hands. ....
8 Someone who cannot see very well.   ....
9 Someone who will not work in the evening or at weekends. ....

35.3 **Test your knowledge. Can you write down what these people do without looking at the opposite page?**

1 A university lecturer *teaches university students.* ....
2 A vet ....
3 An architect ....
4 An electrician ....
5 A lawyer ....
6 A surgeon ....
7 A mechanic ....
8 A dentist ....
9 An engineer ....

35.4 **Complete the dialogues.**

1 A: She's a police officer.
   B: *Really? When did she join the police force?* ....
2 A: He's a sailor.
   B: ....
3 A: He's a fighter pilot.
   B: ....
4 A: She's a soldier.
   B: ....
5 A: He's a firefighter.
   B: ....

35.5

`Over to you`

Write a list of friends, relatives or neighbours who have jobs. What does each person do?

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