

PART 2

Good evening, everyone. Let me start by welcoming you all to this talk and thanking you for taking the time to consider joining ACE voluntary organisation. ACE offers support to people and services in the local area and we're now looking for more volunteers to help us do this.

By the way, I hope you're all comfortable - weso that....., but it does mean that..... We'll only be here for about half an hour so, hopefully, that's OK.

One of the first questions we're often asked is how old you need to be to volunteer. Well, you can be16 or you can be 60 or over; it all depends on what type of voluntary work you want to do.in voluntary work and age isn't related to these, in our experience.

Another question we get asked relates to training. Well, there's plenty of that and it's all face-to-face. What's more,- it takes place..... Often, it's run by other experienced volunteers as managers tend to prefer to get on with other things.

Now, I would ask you to consider a couple of important issues before you decide to apply for voluntary work. We don't worry about why you want to be a volunteer - people have many different reasonsthey've always wanted to do. Butfor whatever role we agree is suitable for you - if being a volunteer becomes stressful then it's best not to do it at all. You may think that your....., but we don't ask about that. It's up to you to decide if you can work..... What we..... Some of our most loyal volunteersbut still give their full energy to the work they do with us.

OK, so let's take a look at some of the work areas that we need volunteers for and the sort of things that would help you in those.

You may wish simply to help us raise money. If you have....., we'd be delighted, as standing in the local streets or shops with a collection box can be rather boring!

One outdoor activity that we need volunteers for is....., sometimes uphill. Some of our regular collectors are quite elderly, but very active and keen to protect the environment.

If you enjoy working with children, we have three vacancies for what are called 'playmates'. These volunteers help children learn aboutout-of-school activities. You don't need to have children yourself, butand can give clear instructions.

If that doesn't appeal to you, maybe you would be interested in..... We put on three performances a year based on books they have read and we're always looking for support with theof this.

The last area I'll mention today is first aid. Volunteers who join this group can end up teaching others in Initially, though,

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Right, so does anyone have any questions...