

Choosing a Career

Before you decide about your career, you should think about the following:

If you had to 1 _____ what you want from a job, what would you say? Is your main

2 _____ money? Or are you more interested in finding a job which will be

3 _____ because you want to feel that you are doing something important even

if you do not earn much money? Perhaps you prefer a job which encourages

4 _____ and will also provide a good salary.

Most people would agree that it is best to choose a job that you enjoy; one that is

5 _____ and will keep you interested. It is good for a job to be

6 _____ so that you will always push yourself to become

better at it. Of course, you should also think about your strengths and

7 _____ before making such a decision.

8 _____, the career path you choose depends on what your priorities in life are,

as well as what your goals and interests are.

SUMMARY
MOTIVATE
REWARD

CREATE

CHALLENGE
DEMAND

WEAK

BASIC

B. Choose a, b, c or d.

1. Someone broke _____ our house last weekend while we were away.

- a. onto c. in
b. into d. to

2. Living in the downtown area definitely _____ living in the suburbs.

- a. beats c. wins
b. gains d. succeeds

3. How can I gain _____ to this website? I want to read an article on it.

- a. network c. opportunity
b. contact d. access

4. Goran's success gave Una the _____ to start a company of her own.

- a. innovation c. option
b. inspiration d. method

5. We will need a more _____ computer program so we can manage the new project.

- a. imaginative c. sophisticated
b. private d. well-connected

6. Mr. Roberts is _____ a new contract with the company.

- a. negotiating c. hacking
b. combining d. attacking

7. There is only a _____ number of tickets available.

- a. some c. little
b. limited d. few

8. The main _____ of the talk is green cities.

- a. job c. skill
b. business d. focus

9. What I look for in a job has to do with job satisfaction more than the _____ reward.

- a. corporation c. employment
b. salary d. financial

I. Complete with the correct preposition.

1. When Charles got fired, he decided to make the best _____ the situation and start his own business.

2. All _____ all, we had a wonderful time at the barbecue last Saturday.

3. You can always borrow money from me if you run _____.

4. There are fifteen children _____ board the ship.

5. _____ average, Frank works fifty hours a week.

6. Robert still hasn't gotten used _____ living in Jamaica.

Student's Book pp. 10-11

A. Complete with the words in the box.

department ends intern fired staff creative résumé cuts crisis deliver work

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Dear Jo,

How are you? Are you back in Buxton? I'm OK, though I had some bad luck lately.

I'm out of 1 _____ again! Remember the job I got at the 2 _____ store about a year and a half ago? Well, in the last few months with the economic 3 _____ there have been a lot of job 4 _____ and last week I got 5 _____. It's going to be hard to make 6 _____ meet on unemployment benefits.

The good news is that I have a job interview in Buxton next week. If it goes well, we'll be in the same city again!

I'll give you a call when I'm there. If you have time, we can meet for coffee.

Take care,

Jack

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8 _____ person who can 9 _____ innovative designs within tight deadlines.

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11 _____. So, even if you have never worked as a graphic designer before but believe that you have what it takes, contact us at: jilly@iguanaads.com

B. Complete with the correct form of win, earn, gain and the words in the box.

salary race game lottery living money experience weight

- Larry wants to _____ some work _____, so he's doing volunteer work at the hospital.
- I don't like playing basketball with Fred. He _____ every _____ we play!
- He's such a good cook that since I met him, I _____ a lot of _____!
- I've just started a part-time job, so I can _____ some _____ while I'm a student.
- A: How does Pete _____ his _____?
B: He's an electrician.
- Usain Bolt _____ the 100m _____ again.
- Sam is rich! He _____ the _____ last weekend!
- Working as a web designer means I can _____ a(n) _____ from home.

C. Complete with the Present Simple or the Present Progressive of the verbs in parentheses.

1. A: Oh, no! There 1 _____ (go) our bus!

B: I 2 _____ (not understand). It was supposed to leave at 8:30.

A: Yeah. I 3 _____ (know). But it's 8:45. It's your fault we missed it. You 4 _____ (never / come) on time.

B: OK. Calm down. What time 5 _____ the next bus _____ (leave)?

A: At 9:30.

B: That's too late. Let's take a taxi.

A: OK. Of course, you 6 _____ (pay).

B: Of course.

2. A: Hey, Mike! Where 7 _____ you _____ (go)?

B: I 8 _____ (go) to the bowling alley.

Larry and I 9 _____ (meet) up there every Friday. 10 _____ you _____ (want) to come along?

A: I can't. Martin 11 _____ (wait) for me.

I 12 _____ (help) him paint his house this week. So, I 13 _____ (not have) any time for bowling.

B: OK. Maybe next Friday.

A: That 14 _____ (sound) great!

- Student's Book pp. 12-13**

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| 1. a. name | b. eye | c. head | d. line |
| 2. a. wants | b. takes | c. makes | d. does |
| 3. a. professional | b. boss | c. entrepreneur | d. partner |
| 4. a. take | b. get | c. go | d. run |
| 5. a. setting | b. applying | c. doing | d. running |
| 6. a. prospects | b. benefits | c. scales | d. grants |
| 7. a. bonuses | b. enterprises | c. grants | d. figures |
| 8. a. out | b. risky | c. bankrupt | d. debt |

highly know likely line envy apply unlikely set up

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- A man with short brown hair and a light beard is smiling broadly, reaching out his right hand towards the viewer. He is wearing a grey suit jacket over a light blue dress shirt and a dark blue necktie. The background is a blurred image of a newspaper page with some legible text at the top: "also gives advice" and "work."

C. Complete with the Present Simple or the Present Progressive of the verbs in parentheses.

1. A: I 1 _____ (think) of applying for a job at Marley's. Oliver's brother works there.

B: I 2 _____ (remember) him. His name's Owen, isn't it?

A: That's right. He says they are looking for new staff. It's kind of far from my house, but I 3 _____ (not mind) because it's a really nice place.

B: Yeah, I 4 _____ (think) so too.

2. A: What are you doing tonight?

B: I 5 _____ (see) Sally.

A: That's nice.

B: Yeah. We 6 _____ (have) dinner at the new Indian restaurant on Main Street.

7 _____ you _____ (want) to come along?

A: No, thanks. I 8 _____ (not like) Indian food.

3. A: What's the matter? You 9 _____ (not look) well.

B: I 10 _____ (have) a terrible headache.

A: Why don't you take a pain reliever?

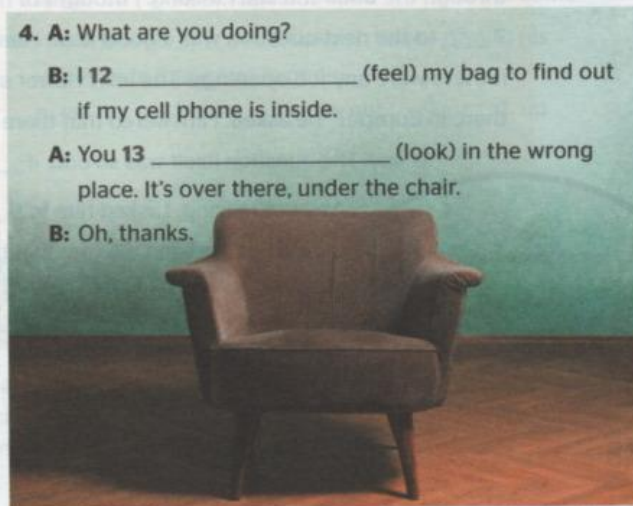
B: I 11 _____ (not have) any.

4. A: What are you doing?

B: I 12 _____ (feel) my bag to find out if my cell phone is inside.

A: You 13 _____ (look) in the wrong place. It's over there, under the chair.

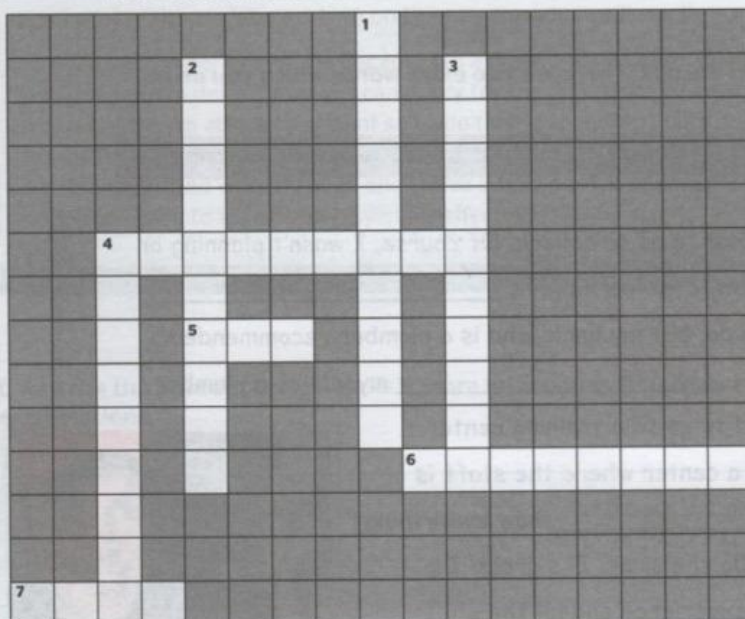
B: Oh, thanks.



1b

Student's Book pp. 14-15

A. Do the crossword.



ACROSS

4. where someone works
5. an amount of money
6. a date or time by which something must be completed
7. a way of seeing or thinking about something, an opinion

DOWN

1. an opinion that people have about somebody or something, because of past events
2. a period of time that someone, especially a student, works in order to gain experience in a specific job
3. a person who works for somebody else for a specific period of time in order to learn the skills of the job
4. all the people who work in a specific company, industry or country



B. Choose a, b, c or d.

A Strange Day

The 1 ____ asked me to imagine a penguin wearing sunglasses walking through the door. He asked what the penguin would say. I thought a little about the question. I knew that by no 2 ____ could a penguin walk through the door and start talking. I thought of not answering at all. However, I wasn't sure that moving 3 ____ to the next question was a good idea. Finally, I decided to joke about it and said that he'd probably ask if there were any job openings. The interviewer smiled. The next question was easier. "How many cows are there in Europe?" he asked. I answered that there were more than enough. I supposed that answer was as good as any. The question itself was so odd, 4 ____ all.

As I was leaving, I asked him to 5 ____ me straight. "Why did you ask such unusual questions?" He laughed and told me that they were supposed to test how creative I was. I knew right away that the job would be mine and that the working 6 ____ would be great!



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|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. a. supporter | b. apprentice | c. interviewer | d. professional |
| 2. a. rate | b. chance | c. way | d. means |
| 3. a. towards | b. away | c. on | d. up |
| 4. a. in | b. after | c. before | d. at |
| 5. a. set | b. get | c. put | d. make |
| 6. a. spot | b. environment | c. place | d. case |

C. Complete with the correct form of the words in the box. There are two extra words which you do not need to use.

picture textbook labor demonstrate first-hand equally trade win-win wrong

After I finished high school, I decided not to go to college. Of course, I wasn't planning on sitting around doing nothing either. I wanted to learn a(n) 1 _____. Initially, I wasn't sure what I wanted to do, but my uncle who is a plumber recommended that I follow his line of work. I never 2 _____ myself as a plumber, but it seemed like a good idea. I decided to go to a training center. Fortunately, my uncle helped me choose a center where the staff is really experienced. They 3 _____ how everything should be done and then they ask us to do the same. It's great! I'm getting 4 _____ experience and all the necessary 5 _____ knowledge. The best part of it all is that sometimes my uncle takes me along with him and lets me help. Whenever I get something 6 _____ he helps me correct it. That way he gets free help and I gain even more experience. It's a(n) 7 _____ situation and I'm actually turning out to be a pretty good plumber!



Student's Book pp. 16-17

A. Choose a, b, c or d.

- The detective is looking ____ the disappearance of the child.
a. at b. for c. over d. into
- Luckily, the children ____ easily to their new school.
a. adapted b. suited c. conjured d. appealed
- Brian has a great sense of _____. He's so much fun to hang out with.
a. laughter b. humor c. funny d. jokes
- Jennifer has a(n) ____ in History.
a. degree b. issue c. experience d. flyer
- My boss made my dreams ____ true when he made me a partner.
a. get b. become c. be d. come
- Frank picked ____ a few Spanish words during his vacation in Spain last summer.
a. on b. in c. out d. up

B. Read the article below and choose the best title.

- a. A dream job b. An unusual job c. Facts about noses**

There are many jobs that most of us do not know exist. The reason for this is probably because it's never crossed our minds that such jobs are necessary and that there are actually people who get paid to do them. One of these jobs is an odor tester.

I studied Chemistry but I didn't know what career path to follow until I saw an advertisement in the newspaper for a job that was really nobody's cup of tea. The advertisement specifically asked for a chemist with a good nose for scents. Apparently, odor testers have to be very good at recognizing scents. They also have to use their knowledge of chemistry to keep changing a scent until they create the necessary result. For this reason, odor testers spend a lot of time in labs working on the way a product will smell.

I know this job is perfect for me because I'm a great chemist. Also, I pay close attention to details. In fact, I can easily tell the difference between various scents. I'm also very patient so I won't mind spending hours or even days trying to perfect the smell of a specific product. Last but not least, I'm very well-organized with my work and I have a very good memory. For this reason, I manage to accomplish my goals effectively.



C. Rewrite the introduction to make it more interesting. Remember that you can include questions and exclamations.

D. The article has no conclusion. Choose an appropriate one to end it.

- In a nutshell, although there are several drawbacks to being an odor tester, there are also many advantages. For example, the salary is very good and you are also given many free products from the company you work for.
- To sum up, being an odor tester may not be a dream job for some. It definitely wasn't what I was thinking of becoming when I decided to become a chemist. However, it sounds very interesting and would be a suitable job for me.