

2 Success

2 Read the article again. Circle true (T), false (F), or not given (NG).

- 1 Elon Musk and Judit Polgar have IQs of more than 140. T F NG
- 2 Lewis Terman studied a group of people with college degrees. T F NG
- 3 Melita Oden found different personality types in Terman's original group. T F NG
- 4 Researchers believe that IQ tests are a way to predict success. T F NG

3 Look at the article again and complete these chunks (1–6).

- 1 financial _____
- 2 boys and _____
- 3 got good _____
- 4 Up to _____
- 5 well-_____
- 6 focused _____

IQ and success

Does your IQ tell you anything about your future success?

The word success can mean many things. For some people, it can mean academic, financial, or creative success, or simply feeling happy with your life.

Your IQ is a total score from a set of tests designed to assess human intelligence. IQ tests are criticized for various reasons, particularly for the limited aspects of human intelligence they measure. They are, however, used in education and in recruitment for some jobs, and many people support the idea of IQ.

Some people might think that people with a high IQ are more financially successful, especially if they are in the "genius" group with an IQ over 140. We might see highly successful names like Elon Musk, the South African engineer and businessman, or Judit Polgar, the Hungarian chess player, as examples of how IQ and success are connected. But is this idea correct?

What does science tell us?

American psychologist Lewis Terman studied children with high IQs in the 1920s. He selected 1,500 boys and girls between the ages of eight and 12. Terman followed their lives and careers for many years. He found that they got good exam results at school. They were also healthier, stronger, and taller than children with average IQs. When they were adults, about 66 percent of the group had college degrees. The group earned an average amount of \$33,000 a year in the 1950s. Most people in the U.S. earned about \$5,000 at that time. So did the group's high IQ predict this success? Up to a point, it did, but Terman also found that most of the group did not have well-paid jobs. They worked in lower-paid positions in offices, at sea, or with the police. Terman decided that a high IQ does not always lead to financial success in life.



Judit Polgar

What else is important?

Another researcher, Melita Oden, also studied Terman's group when they were adults. She focused on a different area. She compared the most and the least financially successful members (of them had a high IQ). Oden described personality differences between these two small groups. The first group was more ambitious and organized than the second group. They also focused on their goals and felt confident about them. But Oden found that there were more general life difficulties in the second group. They didn't earn more money than the average amount.

What can we conclude?

In the years since Terman's study, researchers have continued to discuss IQ and success. In the end, most of them agree that financial success doesn't only depend on IQ. There are many other important things such as personality and our living situation, which IQ tests don't consider.

Grammar

Present perfect and simple past

1 Complete the sentences about life experiences with the present perfect form of the verbs.

- 1 I work at the airport and I _____ (meet) lots of famous people there.
- 2 *Black Panther* is my sister's favorite movie. She _____ (see) it five times.
- 3 My friends and I _____ (run) six half-marathon races.
- 4 My dad _____ (never / fly) on a plane.
- 5 My English class _____ (take part) in a TV show.
- 6 I _____ (climb) two of the highest mountains in my country.

2 Complete the sentences about things that started in the past and are still true with the present perfect form of these verbs.

be	have	live	play
speak	want	wear	work

- 1 We _____ in this house since I was a child.
- 2 I _____ glasses for about five years.
- 3 My dad _____ the same car for 20 years.
- 4 You _____ my best friend since elementary school.
- 5 I _____ always _____ to be a dancer.
- 6 My sister _____ chess since she was five.
- 7 They _____ in the same office for about 15 years, but they _____ never _____ to each other.

3 Complete the conversations with the present perfect or simple past form of the verbs. More than one form may be correct.

1 A: I _____ (start) my own vlog about my cats recently.

B: Really? I've seen quite a lot of cat videos on the internet. Good luck!

2 A: Did you hear about the new restaurant in town?

B: Yes, we _____ (try) it last weekend, actually.

3 A: My boss _____ (go) to work for a different company last week.

B: Oh, did you apply for her job? You should!

4 A: My sister _____ (give) me her old bike.

B: _____ (Have) she? Great, you can come cycling with us now!

5 Complete the item from a local newspaper with one word or contraction in each space.

Have you ¹_____ asked a successful person about the secrets to their success? Most people say things like, "I ²_____ worked hard," but not many reply, "I've ³_____ lucky." In fact, luck also plays a big part in success. Researchers in the U.S. ⁴_____ shown that, in academic situations, people with a last name closer to the start of the alphabet are more successful. And business leaders have known ⁵_____ years that using a middle initial—for example, "Daniel P. Amos"—makes you sound smarter. I've ⁶_____ thought about the importance of luck before. Have you?

4 Complete the replies to the question with the present perfect or simple past form of these verbs.

Q: Have you ever done anything that made you feel proud?

be (x2)	fail	not / give up	go
love	make	pass	have
write			

1 "I _____ lots of poems, but now one of them is in a book! It's about the ocean."

2 "I _____ my math test! I find math really hard and I _____ the test twice last year. I'm proud that I _____."

3 "Well, I _____ an amazing cake for my mom's birthday last week. It _____ beautiful and delicious, and she _____ it."

4 "I _____ in a band for a while. Last week, we _____ our first concert. It _____ really well!"

Pronunciation

Saying consonant groups (1): word endings

1 How many consonant sounds are there at the end of these words?

1 adults	_____	5 experience	_____
2 amount	_____	6 medalists	_____
3 consonants	_____	7 result	_____
4 difference	_____	8 thousands	_____

Listening



2 ▶ 2.2 Listen again and complete the notes with one or two words in each space.

- In an interview, you're selling
1 _____.
- The interviewer wants to hear...
1 something 2 _____.
2 that you're the 3 _____ person.
- Preparation involves thinking of
your 4 _____.
• Practice telling your stories...
1 with a 5 _____.
2 by 6 _____ yourself.

2 Rewrite the instructions for completing an online form using *have to*, *don't have to*, and *can't*.

1 You're not allowed to write outside the boxes on the form.

2 It's necessary to send the form before the closing date.

1 ▶ 2.2 Listen to advice about preparing for a job or a college interview. What does the speaker say? Circle the correct option.

- 1 People often feel uncomfortable talking about their *achievements / skills*.
- 2 An interviewer wants you to talk about *your career plans / things you have done well*.
- 3 You have to prepare and practice *stories about yourself / questions to ask*.
- 4 A STAR story focuses on the *Situation, the Task, the Achievement / Action, and the Result*.
- 5 You *can / don't have to* learn your stories word-for-word.

Grammar

Have to, don't have to, and can't

1 Circle the correct options to complete the advice.

When you're looking for a job, you ¹*have to / can't* be patient, because it often takes a long time. Sometimes you ²*have to / don't have to* accept a temporary job for a while. Obviously, you ³*have to / don't have to* accept just any job, but it's a good idea to be open to new ideas. You ⁴*can't / don't have to* pay a lot of money to an employment agency—most jobs are advertised online so you'll see them. But you ⁵*have to / don't have to* look regularly—probably every day. Finally, you ⁶*don't have to / can* feel upset if you apply for a job but you don't get an interview. Maybe it's not the job for you.

3 It's necessary to provide your email address and one telephone number.

4 It's not necessary to include a photo.

5 You're not allowed to click "send" until the form is complete.

6 It's not necessary to send a separate email.

3 Complete the sentences to show obligation in the past or the future.

1 I _____ charge my phone before I leave tonight.

2 We _____ change the day of the party because my parents were on vacation.

3 _____ we _____ go shopping again this week?

4 My tooth was really hurting. I _____ go to the dentist.

5 We _____ clean the apartment tomorrow morning.

6 I _____ send a reply yesterday.

Vocabulary

Work collocations

1 Circle the correct option to complete the questions. Then give your own answers to the questions.

- 1 Do you work for a *company / shifts*?
- 2 Do you have to meet *deadlines / overtime* in your job?
- 3 How often have you had to call in *full-time / sick*?
- 4 Do you enjoy taking on *freelance / responsibilities* at work?

2 Complete the comments from people talking about their last jobs with the correct form of these verbs. There is one extra verb in each case.

1 Laia

go run take on work

"In my last job, I _____ for a large company, but I always wanted to _____ freelance. So I decided to try! I had to _____ lots of new responsibilities, but now I'm my own boss."



2 Afua

apply for call in meet run work

"Last year, I _____ full-time in a small office. It was an interesting job, but two of my colleagues often _____ sick and it became very difficult to _____ deadlines. Finally, I decided to _____ a job in my new company and I am happier now."



3 Tom

do run take on work

"In my previous job we had to _____ shifts and _____ overtime, so I hardly ever saw my friends. Now, I _____ my own small company that recycles clothes, and I have a social life again!"



Pronunciation

Saying /ə(r)/ and /ɜ:(r)/

1 Listen to these words. Is the sound in bold like the sound in *answer* or *world*? Check (✓) the correct column.

	answer /ə(r)/	world /ɜ:(r)/
1 early		
2 expert		
3 interview		
4 leader		
5 search		
6 silver		