

VOCABULARY

jobs; work

1 Match the people and their skills (1–8) with the jobs in the box.

chef financial consultant gardener journalist
mechanic musician plumber shop assistant

- 1 James loves cars and fixing things.
- 2 Anna enjoys repairing things in the home that use water.
- 3 Harley is good at growing plants.
- 4 Theo has a good understanding of taste and enjoys cooking.
- 5 Billie is a guitar player in a band.
- 6 Maria is a very good writer.
- 7 Martina enjoys maths and is good with numbers.
- 8 Jon is good at helping customers.

2A Complete the conversation with one word in each gap. The first letter is given.

A: What do you do?

B: I'm ¹o_____ of w_____ at the moment, but I'm a ²v_____ at a charity shop while I look for a job. It's not ³f_____ -t_____. It's just a few hours a week and of course I don't get any ⁴w_____, but I've got some money saved and I enjoy the work. How about you?

A: I'm a financial consultant. I'm ⁵r_____ for helping people make decisions about their money. I had a ⁶c_____ as a model for a while, but I decided that I wanted to work with numbers rather than fashion designers! It's a more enjoyable ⁷p_____ for me. I studied ⁸p_____ -t_____ while I was a model so I could get the ⁹q_____ that I needed. Now I ¹⁰r_____ my own business from home.

B Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.

- 1 My job is ____ – I work sixteen hours a week.
a out of work **b** part-time **c** responsible
- 2 We get paid our ____ every Friday, but I don't think we get paid enough!
a wages **b** qualifications **c** career
- 3 I'm ____ for managing the shop.
a full-time **b** responsible **c** out of work
- 4 The teaching ____ needs positive, patient and kind teachers.
a profession **b** qualification **c** career
- 5 You need college ____ to be a plumber.
a volunteers **b** wages **c** qualifications
- 6 Alex is ____ at the moment, but hopefully he'll have a job soon.
a full-time **b** responsible **c** out of work

PRONUNCIATION

3 syllable stress | Choose the stressed syllable in each of the words.

1 assistant	3 financial	5 mechanic
2 consultant	4 journalist	6 musician

GRAMMAR

verb patterns

4A Complete the sentences with the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 I'm interested in (learn) Chinese.
- 2 (work) at night can be really tiring.
- 3 Before (start) university, I worked abroad for two months.
- 4 I've decided (get) a pet.
- 5 I can't imagine (live) in a huge house.
- 6 We'd like (have) the pasta, please.
- 7 I miss (see) my friend now he's moved to a different city.
- 8 (hear) the news has made me feel sad.

B Choose the correct word or phrase to complete the sentences.

- 1 We see you soon.
a hoping to **b** hope **c** hope to
- 2 I promise all the dishes if you cook.
a to clean **b** cleaning **c** clean
- 3 After the first page of this book, I don't think it's for me.
a read **b** to read **c** reading
- 4 I try to avoid anything that I don't enjoy.
a do **b** doing **c** to do
- 5 Tom and Mike have decided a boat.
a buying **b** to buy **c** buy
- 6 Please stop that loud noise!
a make **b** to make **c** making

C Complete the article with the correct form of the verbs in the box.

be do (x2) have help relax see teach

When we agree ¹_____ volunteer work, it's not just about ²_____ other people, it's about making ourselves feel better, too. That's because when we support others and they succeed, we get a sense of satisfaction. Imagine ³_____ the smile of a child when they score a goal, or create a piece of art. Of course, you don't have to be good at ⁴_____ art or sport, or have special qualifications. There are lots of volunteering jobs. Whatever you decide ⁵_____, you should expect ⁶_____ busy. Plan ⁷_____ some free time and spend that time ⁸_____.