

# (24) JOBS AND PROFESSIONS

## - conversation questions

## (vocabulary practice)

## **JOBS AND PROFESSIONS – Vocabulary practice**

### 1.1 What must not be missing in a good CV?

#### Match the expressions below with an appropriate heading.

address(es) - computer skills and competences - date of birth - dates (from ... to) (2x) - driving license - e-mail - first name(s) - gender - level in national or international classification - main activities and responsibilities - mother tongue - name and address of employer - name and type of organisation providing education and training - nationality - occupation or position held - other languages - social skills and competences - surname(s) - title of qualification awarded - telephone number - type of business or sector

- Personal information
- Work experience
- Education and training
- Personal skills and competences

Check the meaning of the following words/expressions.

desired employment / occupational field – hobbies / interests – additional information

Should the items (above) be ALSO included in a good CV? Why (not)?

(based on www.europass.cz/docs/eu/vzorE-CV\_en.pdf)

#### 1.2 How would/should you dress if you went for a job interview?

#### Which of the following should (not) you wear for a job interview? Why?

baggy trousers - blouse - cap - casual clothes - combat trousers - dinner-jacket (tuxedo) -

jumper - nice clothes - shirt - shorts - skirt - tail coat - tie - T-shirt - trousers - V-neck

## 1.3 What are your plans for your future career or job?

#### What job(s) would you like to have in the future? Why?

#### Draw a mindmap considering...

- why you would like to get the job,
- what **motivation** you have,
- what **personal skills** / **competences** you need to get the job,
- what **previous experience** might help you,
- any other **relevant skills**

## 1.4 Would you like to be a taxi driver/doctor/teacher? Why (not)?

What are the advantages / disadvantages of being (A) a taxi driver, (B) a doctor, (C) a teacher?

	ADVANTAGE(s)	DISADVANTAGE(s)
taxi driver		
doctor		
teacher		

## 1.5 Which job would you never try/do? Why?

Fill in the missing vowels to get 8 jobs. Then think of a reason why people MIGHT NOT like to try/do the professions.

$P \_ STM \_ N$	$S \_ LD \_ R$
$P\_L\_C\_M\_N$	$D \_ NT \_ ST$
<i>P</i> _ <i>L</i> _ <i>T</i>	$W_{-}T_{R}$
$CH \_MN \_ SW \_ P \_R$	PR_GR_MM_R

## 1.6 What problems do young people face when looking for a job?

Complete the gaps with appropriate expressions. First letters are given. To what extent do you dis/agree with the opinion?

At the m\_\_\_\_\_\_, the biggest problem is that there are f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_jobs than before. The o\_\_\_\_\_\_\_problem is that employers are looking for people with more e\_\_\_\_\_\_. Sometimes, young people have high expectations and are not willing to work for the s\_\_\_\_\_\_ (the money) that the (potential) employer o\_\_\_\_\_\_ to them.

### 1.7 Job / professions words – VOCABULARY PRACTICE

#### Match the following words with their definitions. Then use the words in a sentence.

applicant – be in charge of – boss – CV – day off – deadline – fire (v) – get a pay rise – maternity leave – occupation – pensioner – retire – sick leave – staff – teamwork – temporary job – unemployed – work overtime

- a) a day when you do not work
- b) time before and after the birth of a baby when a woman is allowed to be away from her job
- c) to get an increase in your salary
- d) to work (much) longer than usually
- e) someone who is officially old enough to stop working
- f) work that you do together with other people
- g) the person who is in charge of you at work
- h) a job that you do for only a limited period of time
- i) to stop working, especially when you reach the age when you are officially too old to work
- a document giving details of your qualifications and the jobs you have had in the past that you send to someone when you are applying for a job
- k) another word for 'a job' (used especially on forms and in formal writing)
- l) someone who applies for a job
- m) without a job
- n) a specific time or date by which you have to do something
- o) the people who work for a particular company, organization, or institution
- p) a period of time during which you do not work because you are ill
- q) to have control over someone or something and be responssible for them
- r) an informal way of 'make (sb) redundant'

## **1.8** A doctor is someone who ... – VOCABULARY PRACTICE

#### What do the people in the following professions do? Specify.

accountant – carpenter – chef – driving instructor – fashion designer – flight attendant – hairdresser – journalist – judge – nurse – paramedic – psychologist – receptionist – scientist – security guard – surgeon – ticket inspector – translator – travel agent – vet