



# DESCRIBING A JOB



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## 1

### Jobs and people

Match the jobs below to the descriptions.

a chef

a firefighter

a mechanic

an accountant

an actor

a receptionist

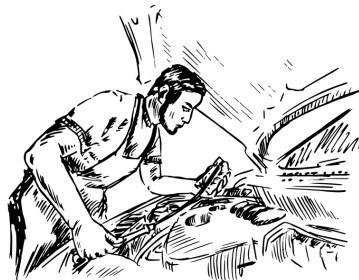
a secretary

a vet

a waiter

a doctor

- "I help people when they have problems with their health." a doctor
- "When people have problems with their cars, they call me. I try to fix the problem."  
\_\_\_\_\_
- "I serve food in a restaurant." \_\_\_\_\_
- "I'm responsible for welcoming and helping people who visit our office." \_\_\_\_\_
- "One of my duties is helping guests who arrive at our hotel." \_\_\_\_\_
- "It's my job to help animals that are sick or injured." \_\_\_\_\_
- "I cook meals in a restaurant." \_\_\_\_\_
- "When there is a fire, people call us." \_\_\_\_\_
- "I am often on television. I play in a popular drama series." \_\_\_\_\_
- "I do a lot of financial calculations in my work." \_\_\_\_\_





## 2 Describing jobs

Study the adjectives in the left column and match them to their opposites.

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|--------------|---------------|
| 1. dangerous | a. badly-paid |
| 2. stressful | b. easy       |
| 3. well-paid | c. exciting   |
| 4. boring    | d. relaxing   |
| 5. hard      | e. safe       |
| 6. secure    | f. unstable   |

In pairs, have a conversation about the jobs in Exercise 1. Ask your partner if he/she would like have each job. Answer with 'yes, definitely', 'maybe', 'not really' or 'definitely not'. Explain your answers using the adjectives from this exercise. For example:

A: Would you like to be an actor?

B: Yes, definitely. It seems like an exciting and well-paid job.

## 3 Talking about work

Complete the dialogue below with the questions. Read the dialogue in pairs.

*What's your job like?*

*What are your responsibilities?*

*What qualifications do you need?*

*What skills do you need?*

*What do you do?*

A: \_\_\_\_\_ 1

B: I work as a bank teller.

A: \_\_\_\_\_ 2

B: I'm responsible for serving customers in a bank. For example, answering questions and exchanging money.

A: \_\_\_\_\_ 3

B: For this job, you only need a high school diploma. You don't need a university degree.

A: \_\_\_\_\_ 4

B: You need to be good at counting money. And you must be friendly because you work with customers.

A: \_\_\_\_\_ 5

B: My job is not very well-paid, and it is sometimes a little boring. But it's secure.



**Match the columns to complete the phrases:**

- |                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| 1. I work as a            | a. a teaching certificate/an MBA/a university degree                               |
| 2. I'm responsible for    | b. firefighter/policeman/architect/doctor  |
| 3. You need to be good at | c. helping patients/ interviewing workers/ giving presentations/<br>serving drinks |
| 4. For this job, you need | d. speaking in public/working with your hands/using a computer                     |

**Work with a partner. Interview each other about your jobs. Use the questions from the conversation above and your own ideas.**

**If you do not have a job or if you don't want to talk about your work, you can talk about a friend or family member. Your partner can ask you:**

- What does he/she do?
- What are his/her responsibilities?
- What's his/her job like?