

## Work and play



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## ENGLISH IN USE

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a GOOD *I am good at swimming.*  
b SWIMMER *I am a swimmer.*
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a FAIL *I fail at maths.*  
b DO WELL *I do well at maths.*
- 3 My uncle **earns a lot of money**.  
a WELL-PAID *My uncle is well-paid.*  
b SALARY *My uncle has a salary.*

2) Choose the answer which means the same as the underlined words.

- 1 My brother quit his new job a week ago because he didn't like the boss.  
a left  
b found  
c started
- 2 Tom has been employed at this company since he graduated from university.  
a has found employment at  
b has applied for  
c has worked for
- 3 I am responsible for tasting different flavours of ice cream.  
a I work overtime  
b My duties include  
c I'm keen on
- 4 People often ask me what I would like to do for a living in the future.  
a where I want to live  
b what career I would like to follow  
c how much I hope to earn
- 5 Robert hasn't had a break from work since last May. He's very tired.  
a The last time Robert had a break was last May.  
b Robert had no break last month.  
c Robert hasn't been working since last May.
- 6 My computer gaming skills are quite advanced. Moreover, I hold an FCE certificate.  
a Additionally  
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3) Translate the Polish parts of the sentences into English. Use no more than five words.

- 1 *(Szukam)* for a job the last three months, but I haven't had much luck.
- 2 You have a new job again! How many times *(zmieniłeś)* your job this year?
- 3 My older sister has been to three job interviews *(odkąd zaczęła)* look for work.
- 4 My boss promised *(że da mi awans)* if I complete the project on time.
- 5 Teamwork *(zawsze była moją silną stroną)* and that's why I'd like to be a project manager.
- 6 I am writing with regard to the job advertisement for *(stanowisko redaktora)* at your company.

- 7 I wasn't *(zadowolona z mojej pensji)*, so I asked for a pay rise.
- 8 My father *(pracował w Londynie)* for two years. Then he moved to Manchester.
- 9 It's only 9 a.m. I must say I'm proud of myself. I *(zrobiłam tak dużo)* this morning!
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### Challenge!

4) Find and correct eight mistakes in the text below. The mistakes may be grammatical or lexical. Write the answers in your notebook.

Some people are not interested in doing an ordinary career, but instead try to find an unusual work which would raise people's eyebrows. They hate normal jobs and dream of doing something extraordinary. One such individual is Dan Thomas, who was totally unsatisfying with his career as an office clerk. Luckily for him, one day he was fired because his company was closing down. So, that day he promised himself he would never have a boring, sedentary job ever again, and he has kept his promise. Since that time he worked as a chocolate taster, a video game tester and a Lego master builder. He says he has enjoyed every one of these jobs, but the most rewarded was working as a video game tester. He could play new video games on his console for the whole day, and then tell his employee what he thought of the game and how he would improve it. This month he even started blogging to encourage other people to leave their boring careers and look for fun jobs elsewhere.



5) WHAT DO YOU THINK? Work in pairs and discuss the questions.

- 1 Would you like to do any volunteer work? If so, what kind? Why?
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