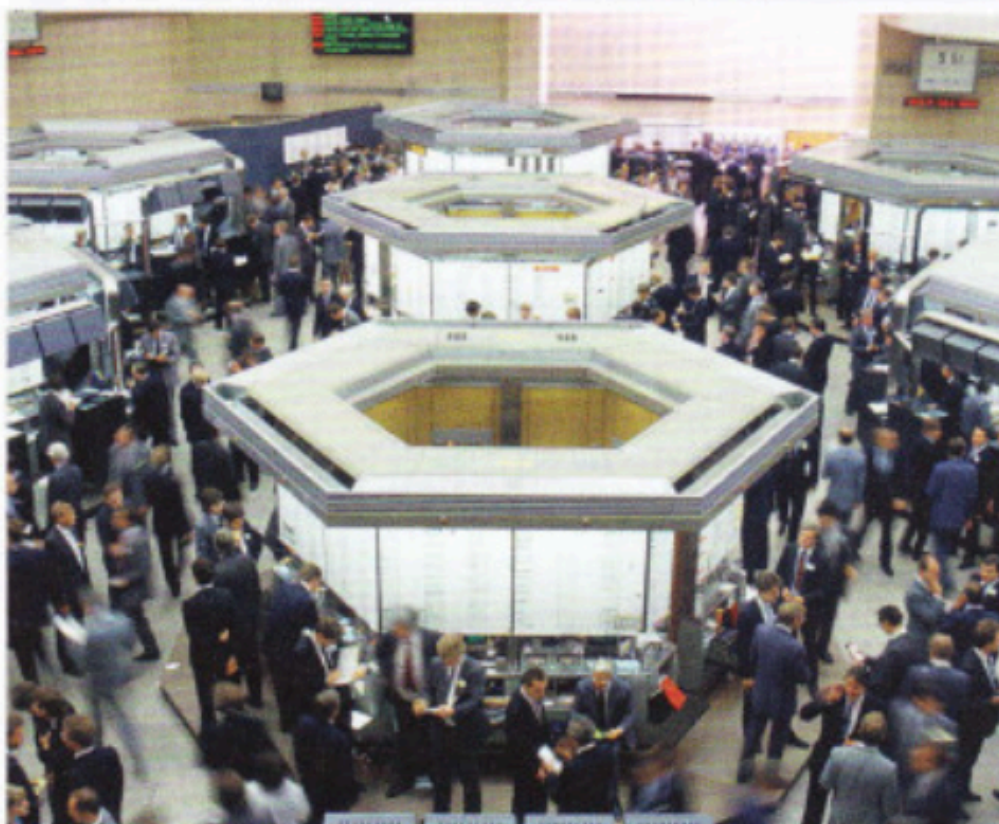


Vocabulary lesson

Topic: Jobs



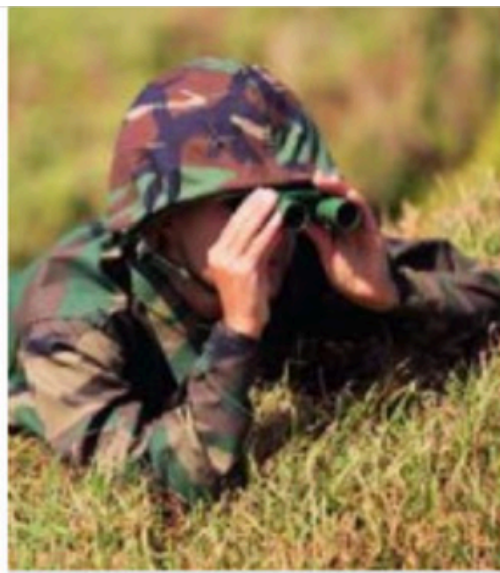
Which of the jobs do you think are the most /least difficult, demanding or interesting? miro



A



B



C



D



E



F



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1 Match photos A–P to the jobs.

- 1 accountant
- 2 architect
- 3 businessman/woman
- 4 chef
- 5 electrician
- 6 estate agent
- 7 housewife
- 8 lawyer
- 9 PA (personal assistant)
- 10 plumber
- 11 receptionist
- 12 sales assistant
- 13 scientist
- 14 soldier
- 15 TV presenter
- 16 vet



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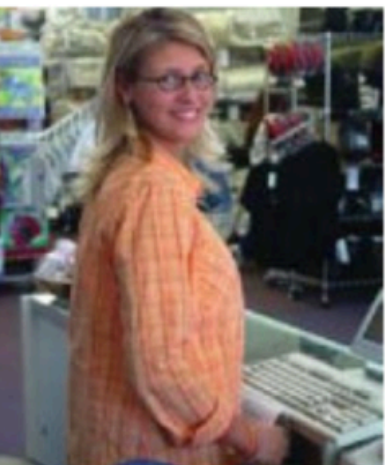
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N



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P



news·read·er

[ˈnjuːzriːdər]

noun

1. *BRITISH*
a person who reads out broadcast news bulletins.
 2. a computer program for reading messages posted to newsgroups.
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sur·geon

[ˈsɜːdʒ(ə)n]

noun

a medical practitioner qualified to practise surgery.



nurse

[nɜːs]

noun

1. a person trained to care for the sick or infirm, especially in a hospital:





law·yer

[ˈlɔːjə, ˈlɔɪə]

noun

a person who practises or studies law, especially (in the UK) a solicitor or a barrister or (in the US) an attorney.



plumb·er

[ˈplʌmə]

noun

a person who fits and repairs the pipes, fittings, and other apparatus of water supply, sanitation, or heating systems.



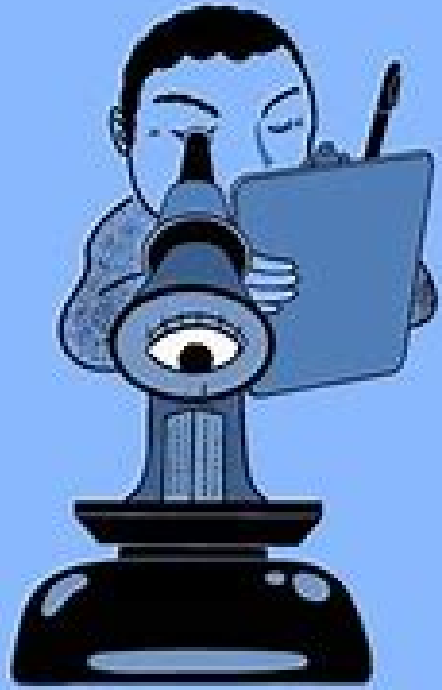
chauf·feur

[ˈʃəʊfeɪ, ʃəʊˈfeɪ]

noun

a person employed to drive a private or hired car:





Auditor

[o-da-tor]

A person authorized to review and verify the accuracy of financial records and ensure that companies comply with tax laws.

 Investopedia

bank teller

noun [C] US

UK  US 
(also **teller**)



BANKING

a person whose job is to pay out and take in money in a bank




refuse collector

noun [C] UK formal

UK  /ˈref.juːs kəˌlek.tə/ US  /ˈref.juːs kəˌlek.tə/

(US **sanitation worker**)

Add to word list 

a person whose job is to empty people's dustbins and take the rubbish away

Synonyms

[binman](#)

[dustman](#)

[garbage collector](#)



[garbage man](#) US informal

[sanitation worker](#) US



midwife

noun [C]

UK  /ˈmɪd.waɪf/ US  /ˈmɪd.waɪf/

plural **midwives**

Add to word list 


a person, usually a woman, who is trained to help women when they are giving birth



loader

noun [U] • TRANSPORT

UK  /ˈləʊdər/ US 

Add to word list 



a person who puts heavy goods onto a vehicle so they can be transported:

- *I worked for UPS during college as a loader.*
- **aircraft/baggage loaders**



psychoanalyst

noun [C]

UK  / ,saɪ.kəʊˈæɪ.n.əl.ɪst/ US  / ,saɪ.koʊˈæɪ.n.əl.ɪst/

(also **analyst**)

Add to word list 

a person who examines or treats people using psychoanalysis (= a mental health treatment that works by trying to examine the unconscious mind):



physician

noun [C] mainly US or formal

UK  / fɪˈzɪʃ.ən/ US  / fɪˈzɪʃ.ən/

(UK usually **doctor**)



Add to word list 

a medical doctor, especially one who has general skill and is not a surgeon



social worker

noun [C]

UK  / ˈsəʊ.ʃəl ˌwɜː.kə/ US  / ˈsoʊ.ʃəl ˌwɜː.kə/

Add to word list 

a person who works for the social services or for a private organization providing help and support for people who need it



Decide which is the odd one out and give reasons.

- a) doctor, surgeon, dentist, vet;
- b) police officer, nurse, teacher, army officer;
- c) carpenter, plumber, bricklayer, lawyer;
- d) professor, lecturer, secretary, teacher;
- e) taxi-driver, pilot, chauffeur, bus conductor;
- f) journalist, bank-teller, accountant, auditor.

7 Match the jobs to the categories below:

- 1) media
- 2) tourism
- 3) counselling
- 4) finance

- 5) sciences
- 6) arts and entertainment
- 7) health care

- an accountant
- an actor
- an auditor
- an astronomer
- an archaeologist
- a bank teller
- a DJ
- an editor
- a journalist
- a newsreader

- a psychoanalyst
- a physician
- a physicist
- a playwright
- a publisher
- a social worker
- a surgeon
- a travel agent
- a guide

Write more examples

EX. 8

1. by adding the suffix **-ist**: e.g. a florist, a physicist...
2. by adding the suffix **-er/ or**: e.g. a furrier, a dyer...
3. by adding the suffix **-ian**: e.g. an electrician, a physician...
4. by adding the suffix **-ess**: e.g. an actress...
5. by joining two stems (compounding): e.g. a dairymaid, a paymaster, a goldsmith...
6. by abbreviation: e.g. a dj...
7. by collocating two words: e.g. a traffic warden.

6 Look through the list of jobs. Divide them into professions, trades and unskilled jobs.

Note: Traditionally, professions are occupations that involve mainly intellectual work and require a higher education. Trades are occupations that demand a high level of manual skill and an extended period of training.

Professions	Trades	Unskilled jobs

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|---|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a blacksmith• a bricklayer• a draftsman• an engine driver• a florist• a forester• a goldsmith | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a guard• a miner• a lawyer• a locksmith• a loader• a miller• a midwife• a broker | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a refuse collector• a receptionist• a shepherd• a traffic warden• a typist• a web designer |
|---|---|---|
- miro

10 Read the following descriptions and guess which jobs are described.

- a) They help people who need legal advice. Sometimes they have to go to court.
- b) They work in the fields growing crops and also breed animals such as cows, sheep, pigs, and geese.
- c) They treat animals that are sick.
- d) These people take your order and serve you in restaurants. If the service is good it is customary to leave a tip for them.
- e) These people may ask to look inside your case when you cross the border. They look for drugs or objects which people try to bring into the country illegally.
- f) They are usually very attractive people and their job is to appear in photographs advertising new clothes and beauty products.
- g) These people design new buildings. They have to draw up clear plans so that the builders know exactly what to do.
- h) If you want a new suit or dress specially made to fit you, you need their service.

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Today there are almost no jobs that can be done by a man or a woman only. So it has become unpopular to use words which contain parts like “-man,” “male” or “lady,” or suffix -ess. Fill in the table with politically correct words.

OUTDATED USAGE	CURRENT USAGE
1) an air-hostess	_____
2) ambulance men	_____
3) a chairman	_____
4) a cleaning lady	_____
5) a fireman	_____
6) a foreman	_____
7) a male nurse	_____
8) a policeman/ a policewoman	_____
9) a salesman	_____
10) a spokesman	_____

1. a flight attendant; 2. ambulance staff/ ambulance crew; 3. a chairperson; 4. a cleaner; 5. a fire fighter; 6. a supervisor; 7. a nurse; 8. a police officer; 9. a sales assistant/ a shop assistant; 10. a spokesperson.

13 Say who you would turn to in the following situations using the words from the box.

an astrologist, a dustman/ a refuse collector,
a receptionist, an optician, an estate agent,
a florist, an electrician, a hairdresser,
a publisher, a dentist

E.g.: If I want to read some old historic documents, I would go to an archivist.

- 1) You want your horoscope to be made up for you.
- 2) You want to buy a bunch of flowers.
- 3) You think your eyes need testing.
- 4) You have a lot of rubbish you want to get rid of.
- 5) There is a power cut in your house.
- 6) You have decided to sell your house.
- 7) You have written a book and you want the world to see it.
- 8) You are going to check in at a hotel to stay for a few days.
- 9) A filling has come out of your tooth.
- 10) You need to have your hair cut and done.

Name a job for each item

- 1) are the best paid in your country;
- 2) need a lot of training;
- 3) you find the least pleasant;
- 4) require wearing special clothes;
- 5) demand the fastest actions;
- 6) involve dealing with people's problems;
- 7) you find most boring;
- 8) give an opportunity to travel;
- 9) require the knowledge of a foreign language;
- 10) often give a chance to get tips;
- 11) involve a lot of stress;
- 12) can be a challenge for you;
- 13) require lots of imagination;
- 14) can negatively affect family life:

Name at least three jobs that would probably be impossible for someone who:

- 1) has very bad hearing;
- 2) is always seasick/ airsick;
- 3) is bad at maths;
- 4) understands nothing about children;
- 5) is afraid of animals;
- 6) is afraid of heights;
- 7) can't stand the sight of blood.