

Work

In a modern society everybody below retirement age has a job of some kind. Only few people live on unearned incomes of their rents, on investments or on interests of savings. Even mothers who take care of their children are considered as working people. People go to work because they must earn money to support their family, they like their work, it's their hobby, they have social occasion to contact with other people, or because of people need to be useful. Some people don't go to work because of they've been sicked. The another reason is that they're handicapped, retired or on maternity leave. Some rich people living on their rents don't go to work too.

In our country people usually work 40 hours a week, in Britain 35 – 40 hours. Workers go to work early in the morning as well as farmers, but office workers, teachers, doctors, nurses, sellers (shop assistants) later on. Some people, especially in manual occupations, work overtime sometimes. Self-employed people and some people with special character of job work overtime too. Some part of people earns some extra money by moonlighting. Moonlighting is typical for craftsmen. Non-manual and manual professions differ.

People in industry are on the shift system, they work on the morning shift one week and the other week on the afternoon shift or even evening one. Some people in technical or managing professions work at various odd hours of the day. It is convenient for them because their work is not the same every day. People are not willing to work on Saturdays and Sundays. They often go to their chalets or cabins, make various improvements in their garden, do household chores and repairs or do their hobbies. The same situation is in Britain. The British dislike some evening, weekend or night job and so such professions as waiters, drivers, bus-conductors are performed by people coming from the West Indies (Caribbean) or Asia. Fixed and flexible working hours differ. Who have fixed working hours, he starts work and ends work in the same time every day, but working hours of people with flexible working hours aren't the same every day, they're changed by situation.

People are awarded for their job once a month in our country. In Britain people get their money monthly (*salary are award for non-manual workers*), weekly (*wages are award for manual work*) or by day. The difference is that the British people's salary or wages are paid straight into the employee's bank accounts. In our country some people receive their money in the form of cash still. If we are on the payroll of the firm or the office, we obtain a pay packet containing the money. The pay that we receive is a net earnings because we deduct the tax, insurance, and other sum (for example: a sum of earnings going straight to our deposit account or some loans).

Choosing one's job

Choosing one's career is an important step in everybody's life. Most children have only vague ideas of what they want to be. Boys usually dream of becoming pilots, astronauts, designers or architects. Girls, on the other hand, would like to be actresses, singers, ballet-dancers or dressmakers, hairstylists and teachers. Some children admire their parents and want to follow in their footsteps, or at least they take their parents' advice, others prefer to go their own way. Only a very few have a definite idea of their future careers and try to make their dreams come true.

Hobbies

We can people be divided into several groups according to their respect to their work. Somebody adore their work, it is hobby for them. Some people only earn money to support their family and they have no important hobby. Others find their work monotonous or at least not the sole purpose of their existence. So they seek an outlet elsewhere, they want a change from daily routine, that people have hobbies.

Hobbies can be divided into several categories. The first category are hobbies, which is considered to be useful (beneficial). It's men who retain that childhodd playfulness even in thir adult life. For instance carpentry, plumbing, decorating, electrik installation, maintaining cars in oder.

The second category of hobbies comprises collecting objects of interest. For example coins, cactuses, old prints, porcelan, antiques,... Then there is keeping birds and other pets or exotical animals. These collectors are a large fraternity, they have their own magazines and they exchange their objects of interest. Disadvantages of these hobbies are space-consuming.

Thirdly there people, who are enyoing arts. They go in for amateur dramatics, amateur singing, dancing. Some of them (like singing and acting) are excuse for getting together. On the other hand people who devote to the hobbies such as painting and drawing are lonesome.

The fourth category may be classified as family hobbies, hobbies that can by enjoyed by the whole family together. These hobbies are gathering mushrooms, travelling, skiing. In this case fun and fonds are shared equally by all the members.