

PRE-INTERMEDIATE UNIT 2

- 1 Work in pairs and discuss. Which of the jobs in the box are the best/worst? Put them in order.

accountant chef personal trainer
foreign correspondent

- 2 Read the personal profiles and match a job from Exercise 1 with each person.

- 1 Tom _____ 3 Sophie _____
2 Jack _____ 4 Lizzie _____

Tom



My dream job is one that pays me a good salary! I don't mind working under pressure. In fact, I'm motivated by deadlines and I like being busy all the time. I don't mind sitting at a desk all day. I like working alone and I prefer dealing with numbers than dealing with people. I'm happy to work long hours as long as I get long holidays, too!

Jack



My dream job is one where I can use my imagination and get my hands dirty. I absolutely love making delicious dishes that look beautiful and that people enjoy eating. I can't stand the idea of sitting in an office all day. It's so boring! I love working in a team but I prefer being in charge. I absolutely love working under pressure and seeing fast results.

Sophie



My dream job is one where I get to go to lots of interesting places, especially places you don't normally visit on holiday. I'm not keen on doing the same things every day so I want a job with lots of variety and I don't mind if it's not 9–5. I don't mind taking risks or even risking my life as long as I'm doing something worthwhile.

Lizzie



My dream job is one that pays me to do something I absolutely love – exercise! I'm not keen on a 9–5 job in an office – I prefer the idea of working flexible hours. I can't stand sitting around all day and I prefer the idea of working in different places – inside and outside. I'm motivated by helping other people achieve their goals and I love seeing the difference I can make.

- 3 Read the personal profiles again. Who talks about the following: Tom (T), Jack (J), Sophie (S) or Lizzie (L)?

- 1 earning a lot of money _____
2 working with people _____, _____
3 travelling for work _____
4 a dangerous job _____
5 doing something active _____
6 being creative _____
7 being happy to work in an office _____
8 changing people's lives _____

- 4 Find words in the texts that match the definitions 1–8.

- 1 the time you have to finish something by (Tom) _____
2 working hard with lots of things to do (Tom) _____
3 very tasty (Jack) _____
4 plates of food (Jack) _____
5 being the boss (Jack) _____
6 lots of different things (Sophie) _____
7 important or useful (Sophie) _____
8 aims, something you want to achieve in the future (Lizzie) _____

- 5 What do you think are the good things and bad things about working as a chef? Work in pairs and discuss.

- 6 2.1 Listen to Marc talking about his job and tick the things he talks about. Does he mention any of your ideas from Exercise 5?

working weekends
working in a team
working under pressure
eating delicious food
working flexible hours
earning a lot of money
working in an office

- 7 Listen again and underline the correct alternative.

- 1 Marcus decided to leave school when he was *sixteen/eighteen*.
2 He thought being a chef would be *creative/exciting*.
3 His *feet and legs/arms and legs* get tired.
4 The kitchen is usually *hot/cold*.
5 You *have to/don't have to* work closely with the other chefs.
6 He *works/doesn't work* long hours.
7 He thinks cooking well is *satisfying/boring*.
8 He *wants/doesn't want* to be his own boss one day.

- 8 Work in pairs and discuss. What are the best and worst jobs you can think of? Give reasons for your answer.