

Unit 7, Lesson 3: What was your job before?

1. Vocabulary

Jobs		
mail carrier 郵差	nurse 護理人員	manager 主管
mechanic 機械師	teacher 老師	taxi driver 計程車司機
office worker 辦公室職員	salesperson 銷售員	assistant 助理
cashier 出納員	cook, chef 廚師	scientist 科學家
writer 作家	receptionist 接待員	photographer 攝影師
reporter 記者	tour guide 導遊	yoga instructor 瑜伽老師

2. Verbs – Present and Past Simple

Regular verbs	Present	Past
General rule: Past = present + ed	clean deliver cook	cleaned delivered cooked
Exception: verb ends in -e, add -d	move type supervise serve prepare	moved typed supervised served prepared
Exception: verb ends in a vowel and a consonant, the consonant is usually doubled before -ed.	beg plan stop	begged planned stopped
Exception: verb ends in consonant and -y, remove y and add -ied.	study try apply	studied tried applied
Exception: verb ends in a vowel and -y, add -ed	play toy	played toyed

Irregular verbs	Present	Past
	teach sell write drive	taught sold wrote drove

	put become run	put became ran
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Simple Past: Be			
I, He, She	was	a mail carrier	I as a mail carrier.
We, You, They	were	happy	We were happy.

2. Inspiring Tiny

Tiny needs more inspiration.

A. Spider-Man

Tommy: Do you know that Spider-Man _____ (had / has / have) others jobs before. While in high school in 2015, he _____ (is / was) a part-time _____ (助理) to a _____ (科學家) in New York. Later, in 2019, he _____ (becomes / became) a _____ (攝影師) for a newspaper in New York. Currently, he still _____ (work / worked / works) as a photographer.

Tiny: Superman was also a _____ (記者) for a newspaper.

Tommy: I think that Spider-Man also _____ (delivered / delivered) newspapers door-to-door on a bicycle between 2013 and 2015, also in New York.

Tiny: Did he get paid a lot?

Tommy: Not as much as Spider-Man.

Tiny: How much _____ (did / does) Spider-Man make now?

Tommy: Good question!

B. Tiny's grandmother

Grandma: I _____ (have / had) many jobs before. You can learn from my experience.

Tiny: Tell me.

Grandma: As you know, I _____ (am / were / was) born on the beautiful island of Kauai in Hawaii. I _____ (learn / learned) hula dancing in high school. After college, I _____ (moved / moved) to Japan and _____ (teach / taught) hula dancing in Tokyo from 1990 to 1995.

Tiny: Cool!

Grandma: After that, I _____ (become / became) a _____ (導遊) for American tourists in Japan from 1996 to 2001.

Tiny: Grandma, you are awesome.

Grandma: In 2002, I moved back to Hawaii to _____ (run / ran) a travel agency in Honolulu. I also became a part-time _____ (瑜伽老師) until 2015. Now, I still practice yoga every day.

Tiny: Grandma, you are my role model.

3. Your dream job**A. What will you do in 2025? (See textbook page 168 for an example.)**

My name is _____. I'm from _____ (place). This is 2025, I work in _____ (place). I'm a _____. I _____ every day. I started my job in _____ (month) of _____ (year). Before this job, I was a _____ from _____ (month) _____ (year) to _____ (month) _____

(year). I worked as _____ in a _____ (company or institution).

B. Complete your job history.

JOB HISTORY				
Position	Company	From	To	Duties (Responsibilities)

C. Answer the questions in complete sentences and then tell a summary to the class.

- Where are you from? _____
- What is your job now (2025)? _____
- What do you do in your job? _____
- When did you start your job? _____
- What was your job before 2025? Where did you have this job? _____

4. Conversation in the real world

Let's talk!

5. Homework

Translate the English words below into Chinese.

English	Chinese	English	Chinese
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job interview		communicate	
perform		hard worker	
chewing gum		punctual	
checking texts		sometimes	
firm handshake		late	
eye contact		take a lot of breaks	
good posture		understand	
bright clothing		great employee	
work on weekends		on time	
follow directions		school inventory	
absolutely		work inventory	
make sure		believe so	