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Chapter 16 Session A



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The World of Work

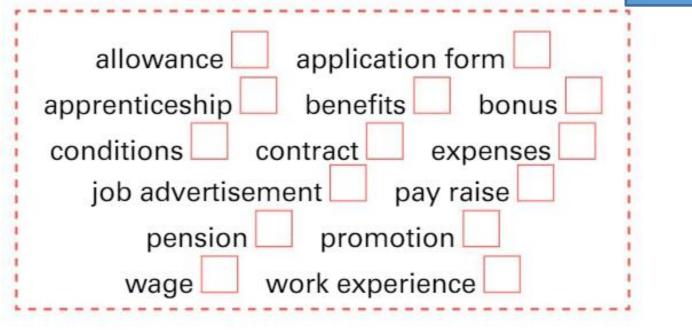
Look at the words in the box. Use your dictionary to look up the meaning of any unknown words.

allowance application form apprenticeship 4 benefits bonus 2 conditions contract 3 expenses job advertisement pay raise pension promotion wage 1 work experience





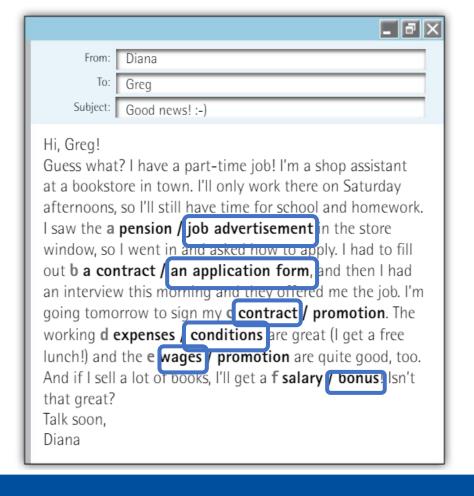






2 1) 51 Listen and repeat.

3 Choose the correct words.



4 Complete the sentences with words from activity 1.

My brother wants a job with a good pension, so he'll have enough money when he retires.

- a My mom travels a lot for business. Her company pays all her <u>expenses</u> such as flights and hotels.
- **b** My parents give my older sister a monthly <u>allowance</u> to buy clothes and pay for her cell phone.
- c My mom has been given a <u>promotion</u> at work. She's going to be a Senior Manager now.

- **d** My brother's doing an <u>apprenticeship</u>. He's training to be an electrician.
- e My uncle gets great ____benefits___ at his new job, including medical insurance and a company car.
- f My dad's boss was so pleased with his work that she's given him a <u>pay raise</u>. He'll get \$3,000 more a year!
- g I want to be a nurse so I'm going to get some work experience at a hospital this summer.

READING 1

- 1 Look at the pictures and the title of the magazine article. What do you think Ben's job is?
 - a lifeguard

b caretaker

c soccer player





- Read and listen. Choose the correct answers.
 - a Queensland is in the USA Australia.
 - b The caretaker had to swim / write a blog.

- c Ben is from the UK / the USA.
- d Ben made 47 60 video diaries.



The BEST Job in the World

What do you think is the 'best job in the world'? Movie star? International soccer player? Politician?

The problem is that you can't apply for these jobs. If you're a talented soccer player, you'll be successful. If you aren't, you won't. Music and acting are the same. If Shakira and Keira Knightley weren't good at what they do, they wouldn't be rich and famous.

However, in 2009 the Australian state of Queensland advertised what became known as 'the best job in the world,' and people from all over the world could apply. The only job requirement was that applicants had to be able to speak English.

So what was the job? Caretaker of Hamilton Island, a tropical paradise in the Great Barrier Reef. Duties included sunbathing, walking on the beach and cleaning the swimming pool. But the most important tasks were to write a blog post once a week and to keep a video diary. The aim of the job was to promote tourism in Queensland.

The contract was for six months, and in return the caretaker received a generous salary of over €73,000 and lived in a multimillion dollar beach house. It was certainly a job with excellent working conditions.

Over 30,000 people filled out application forms for the post, and 16 of them had an interview. Queensland offered the job to Ben Southall, a 34-year-old charity worker from the UK. However, the world's best job was also quite a difficult job. Ben often worked 19 hours a day, seven days a week. He visited 90 exotic locations, made 47 video diaries, and gave more than 250 media interviews – including one with famous TV presenter Oprah Winfrey. He spoke with local politicians, gave speeches, held meetings with travel industry representatives, and shook hands with thousands of tourists.

He wrote more than 75,000 words in 60 separate blog posts, uploaded more than 2,000 pictures and wrote more than 730 tweets. After he finished, Ben was so tired he needed a vacation! Now Ben has a new job as Queensland's international tourism ambassador. He's still earning a great salary, and now he's traveling the world to promote the state. He's very busy again, but if he has time he'll write a book about his experience on the island. It should be an interesting story!

- 3 Read the text again. Then write T for true or F for false.
 - **a** F Keira Knightley applied for a job as a movie star.
 - **b** The job applicants had to be English.
 - **c** The job was six months long.
 - d Only 16 people applied for the job.
 - e F Ben doesn't earn a lot of money now.

- 4 Answer the questions. Write full sentences.
 - a Who advertised 'the best job in the world'?

 The State of Queensland in Australia advertised "the best job in the world".
 - Why was the job created?

 It was created to promote tourism in Queensland.
 - Why was it called 'the best job in the world'?

 It was called that because the

 conditions were so good.
 - d What was difficult about the job?

 Ben was very busy and had to do a lot of different things meet people, write, take pictures.
 - What does Ben do now?
 He works for Queensland promoting tourism from abroad.

READING STRATEGY

Make connections between texts and your prior knowledge. This will enhance your text comprehension and make reading a more meaningful experience.

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INTERFACE Work in pairs. Ask and answer the question.

What do you think is the best job in the world?

I think it's chocolate consultant! Can you imagine spending your day trying chocolate?

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The World of Work

1 Complete the words with the vowels.

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bonus

a conditions

b application form

c job advertisement

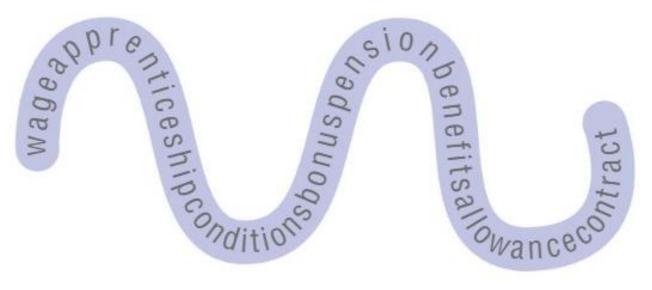
d pay raise

e expenses

f promotion

g work experience
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2 Find seven work and money words in the wordsnake.



ANSWERS:

- 1. Wage
- 2. Apprenticeship
- 3. Conditions
- 4. Bonus
- 5. Pension
- 6. Benefits
- 7. Allowance
- 8. Contract

- 3 Imagine you are looking for a new job.
 Put these events in the correct order.
 - a 2 application form
 - **b** 4 contract
 - c 3 interview
 - d 1 job advertisement
 - e 6 promotion
 - f 5 wage

4 Underline the correct words.

My older sister has to fill in her qualifications and experience on the **job advertisement** / **application form**.

- a I want to train to be a plumber so when I am older I will have to do an apprenticeship/application form.
- **b** As a waiter, his **pay raise wage** sn't great but he gets tips from some customers.
- c Let's go out for a meal to celebrate. My Dad's boss has given him pay raise benefits of \$3,000 a year.
- d When my mother goes abroad for her job, she gets a daily **apprenticeship** allowance to cover her food, transportation and notel.
- The salary is OK but the **expenses** / **conditions** ren't great at my uncle's job. He only gets ten days vacation a year and he has to work on Saturdays.

5 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

allowance benefits bonus

contract pension promotion

wage work experience

I have a new job. They've sent me the <u>contract</u> so now I must sign it and send it back.

- a My father has to use his own car at his job but he gets an <u>allowance</u> for gasoline.
- **b** My grandfather retired a few years ago but he has plenty of money for vacations because he gets a good <u>pension</u>.

- c Her starting <u>wage</u> at the travel company is \$1,500 a month but she gets a <u>bonus</u> if she sells lots of vacation packages.
- d My cousin got a <u>promotion</u> last week. He's going to be Senior Sales Manager now.
- e The salary isn't very good at that company but the <u>benefits</u> are excellent. There are long vacations and free flights all around the world.
- f I want to be a journalist, so I'm getting work experience at a local newspaper.