



LET'S PRACTICE: CONVERSATION WITH AHMED

Me: Good morning, Ahmed. How are you?

Ahmed: Good morning, Mr Baba. I am fine. Thank you. And you?

Me: I am fine, too. Thanks.

Me: Ahmed ... We know that you are an **architect**. It is one of the most **glamorous jobs** in the society and we know that you love it so much. But **do you think that the job of the craftsman is more important than the job of an architect?**

Ahmed: No, I don't think so, sir Baba.

Me: Oh! You think that your job is more important than the job of **the builder** and **the carpenter** -for example-?

Ahmed: Yes, it is. When we want **to construct a building** we need **builders**, **carpenters**, **plumbers** and **electricians** as well. But the construction can't start without my plans. I **design plans** for every part of **the building** and I supervise the construction from start to finish.



Me: Ok! And how about other craftsmen like a **hairdresser** or a **tailor** ... don't you think that people need them more than they need an architect?

Ahmed: Ok ... look! **Whenever I need a haircut**, I go to the **hairdresser**. And **when I need to alter my clothes** I go to the **tailor**. Of course we need those **craftsmen** in the society, but do you really want to compare an **architect** to a **hairdresser** or a **tailor**!!!? It's not fair, sir Baba.

Me: No, of course! We are just trying to make a conversation in order to help our students. Please, **don't take that personally**, Ahmed.

Ahmed: No, not at all. I just think that **I love my job fanatically**.

Me: Yeah! I can see that. Your brother Mounir is a **lawyer** and he thinks that his job is less important than the job of the craftsman in the society! But it's ok.

May I ask you one more question, please?

Ahmed: yeah! Sure.

Me: Your brother, Mounir said **a lawyer makes more than 150000Da a month**. Does the **architect** make more or less than that? (Again .. we're just practicing English!!)

Ahmed: No, sir Baba. I can't answer that. I am sorry.

Me: It's ok! I understand. Thank you so much for your time, Ahmed.

It was pleasure talking to you.

HOME PRACTICE

Read / listen to the conversation and answer the following questions:

Q01: What does Ahmed do for a living?

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Q02: Does Ahmed think that the job of the builder is more important than his job as an architect? Why?

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Q03: Does Ahmed think that the job of the hairdresser is important in the society?

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Q04: Does Ahmed love his job fanatically?

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Q05: Was Ahmed nice in this conversation? Justify.

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