



Me, my work and I



Let's get to know each other!

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Test :)

You & your work

1. Your name

2. Your education

3. Your profession

4. Why Business English?



Introduction to Business English

Business English Course

- **15 online meetings**
- **30 hours**
- **revisions**
- **tests**

1. Working life
2. Career ladder
3. Running a business
4. Money, money, money!
5. Motivation at work
6. Business communication
7. Small talk
8. Business meetings
10. Business negotiation
11. Business emails
12. Business phone calls
13. Remote working
14. Work-related issues
15. Final revision



Let's start!

with a warm-up

**You are going to receive some “this or that” questions related to working. Answer them and justify your choice.
Your teacher may ask you some follow-up questions.**

**Working in a
large or small
company?**

Example:

I prefer working in a large company as it gives you better career prospects and a chance to meet a lot of interesting people..

A follow-up question:

Have you ever worked in a small company?

Click a number to uncover a question.

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[Survey | Poll Everywhere](#)



In a moment, you'll watch a video:

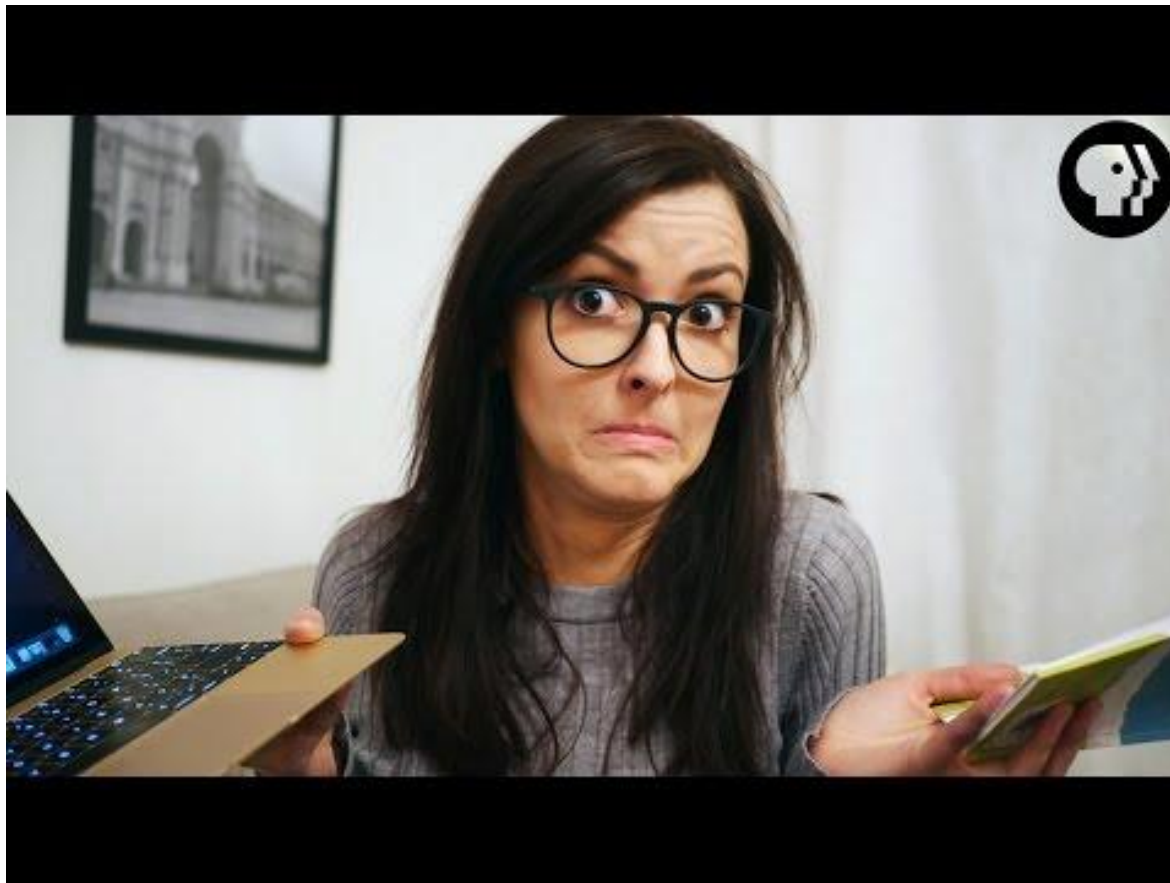
Why do we work?

Before watching...

... complete the sentences below with a correct word from the box:

allowance | bacon | calling | chores | roof | table

1. If you didn't have to work and you just received an endless **allowance** would you still choose to have a job?
2. In part, we work to put food on the table, have a **roof** over our heads and clothes to wear.
3. This is the assumption that underlies how we think of work - just working for the man to bring home the **bacon**
4. We do lots of work that we don't get paid for - **chores** around the house, looking after kids, helping our friends.
5. Once we are paid enough money that financial worries are off the **table** three things motivate us: autonomy, mastery and purpose.
6. You may see your work as a **calling** - a passion you were born to do.





Let's discuss

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“We wouldn't work if we didn't get paid, but that's not why we do what we do.”

Barry Schwartz

Comment on this statement based on the video.
Do you agree with it?



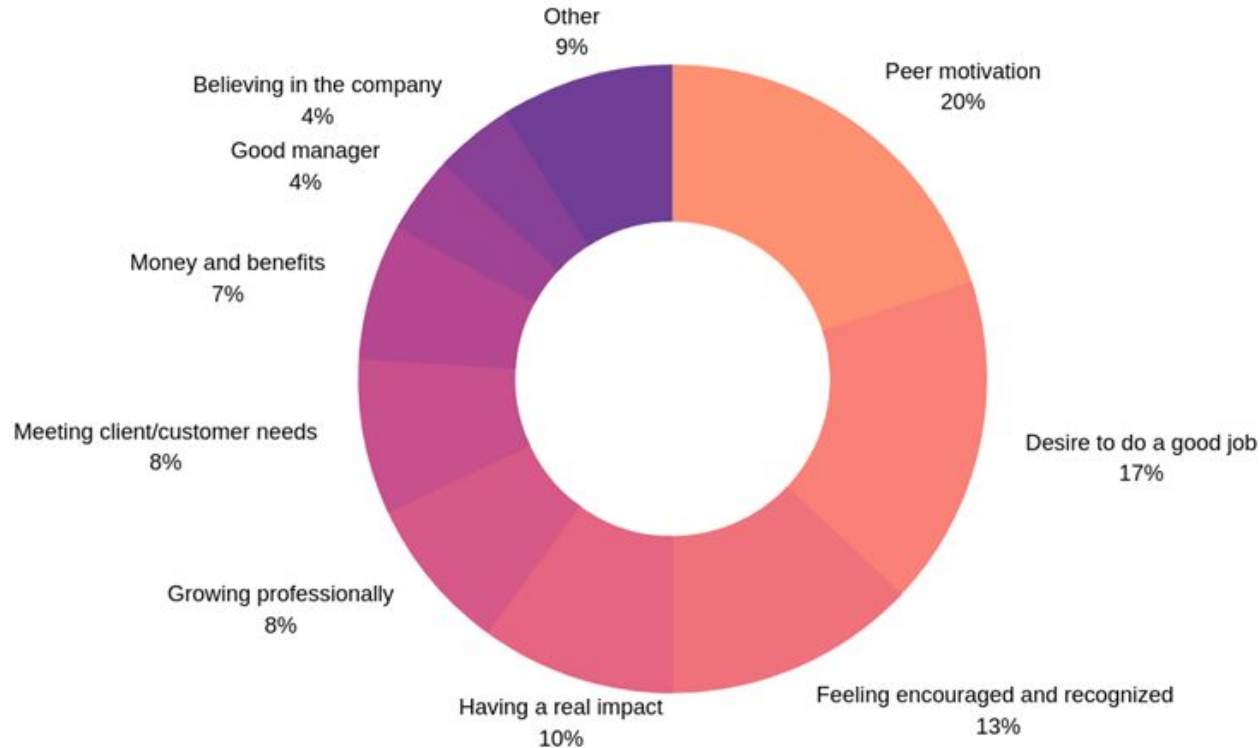
Discuss what it means for you when work is:

- challenging
- engaging
- stimulating
- meaningful

Look at the list of work aspects and choose 5 which motivate you most. Explain your choice.

- peer motivation
- desire to do a good job
- feeling encouraged and recognized
- having a real impact
- growing professionally
- meeting client/customer needs
- money and benefits
- good manager
- believing in the company
- other

Now, compare your answers with the research findings below.



Based on [TINYpulse 2014 Employee Engagement & Organizational Culture Report](#)



Let's learn!

1. Fill in the following sentences with a correct preposition, if necessary.

1. Currently, I'm holding the position of a financial specialist.
2. Although I wanted to study psychology, I'm an accountant by education.
3. I graduated in law from the University of Gdańsk.
4. How can you upgrade - your analytical skills?
5. At work, I'm gaining experience in drafting legal documents and deeds.
6. Two years ago, I received my MA diploma in IT.
7. Candidates attending job interviews frequently lack - linguistic skills.
8. We're looking for candidates that can perform well under pressure and work to tight deadlines.
9. Do you have the ability to use time to maximum effect?
10. A good accountant needs to be numerate, that is he or she needs to have a great head for figures.

2. Complete the collocations below with the words “do” or “work”

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|-----|------------------|---------------------------|-----|-------------|-----------------|
| 1. | do | physical work | 11. | work | as a teacher |
| 2. | do / work | overtime | 12. | work | at full stretch |
| 3. | work | as a temp | 13. | do | voluntary work |
| 4. | work | from dawn to dusk | 14. | work | at the computer |
| 5. | work | one's fingers to the bone | 15. | work | shifts |
| 6. | work | at a slow pace | | | |
| 7. | do | odd jobs | | | |
| 8. | do | the side hustle | | | |
| 9. | do | intellectual work | | | |
| 10. | do | seasonal work | | | |

Thanks!



Working from home or working in the office?



HOME



**Higher salary or
generous benefits
package?**



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Open-plan office or closed office?



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**Writing emails or
making phone calls?**



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Videoconferences or in-person meetings?



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Education or experience?



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Flexitime or a nine-to-five job?



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Front office or back office job?



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Working in a team or working alone?



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Substantial pay rise or handsome bonus?



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Winning the lottery or landing your dream job?



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Fruit Thursdays or Prosecco Fridays?



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