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## Career or Love? | 🎧 Podcast and Chill

### Transcript

**Leo:** "Hello and welcome back to 'Podcast and Chill' on the English Speaking Course channel! I'm Leo."

**Gwen:** "And I'm Gwen. It's great to see you all again!"

**Leo:** "Gwen, have you ever thought about choosing something else instead of work, like love? What would you choose - love or a career? Just a fun thought!"

**Gwen:** "That's an interesting question, Leo. It's indeed something to think about. So, are we discussing 'Career or Love' today, right?"

**Leo:** "Exactly, Gwen! Let's dive into today's fascinating topic on 'Career or Love!'."

**Leo:** "So, let's start with me. I think love is more important than a career. You know, having someone special in your life brings joy and happiness. Love is like sunshine; it brightens up everything!"

**Gwen:** "Why you think so?"

**Leo:** "That's quite romantic, Leo. However, I believe a career is essential too. It gives us a sense of purpose and independence. A strong career can provide stability and opportunities for growth, both personally and professionally."

**Leo:** "True, Gwen. But love brings color to life. Imagine sharing your successes and challenges with someone who cares deeply about you. Isn't that wonderful?"

**Gwen:** "I agree that love is important, Leo. But we shouldn't overlook the benefits of having a fulfilling career. It's not just about money; it's about personal fulfillment and contributing to society."

**Leo:** "For instance, look at John Lennon. He once said, 'All you need is love.' His life and music were deeply influenced by love. It's love that inspires us to create and feel truly alive!"

**Gwen:** "And on the other side, consider someone like Marie Curie. Her dedication to science changed the world. Her career was her passion, and her achievements in physics and chemistry are legendary."

**Leo:** "Sure, Marie Curie was a genius, but remember, even she had a love story. Her relationship with Pierre Curie is a great example of love complementing a career."

**Gwen:** "Hmm, that's a valid observation, Leo. It shows that even for the most career-driven individuals, love can play a significant role. It's all about finding the right balance, isn't it?"

**Leo:** "Let's look at some love-related words."

**Leo:** "Romantic. Meaning: Feeling, showing, or characterized by romance or love. Example: 'John Lennon's song 'All You Need is Love' is very romantic.'"

**Leo:** "Joy. Meaning: A feeling of great pleasure and happiness. Example: 'Having a special person in your life often brings a lot of joy.'"

**Leo:** "Fulfillment. Meaning: A feeling of happiness and satisfaction, especially because you are doing something important or using your abilities. Example: 'Finding love can bring a sense of fulfillment just like achieving a goal in your career.'"

**Leo:** "Passion. Meaning: A very strong feeling of love or enthusiasm, especially for something or someone. Example: 'Marie Curie had a great passion for science, which drove her career.'"

**Leo:** "Inspire. Meaning: To fill someone with the urge or ability to do or feel something, especially something creative. Example: 'Love can inspire people to create amazing things, like beautiful music or art.'"

**Leo:** "Can love help you do better in your career?"

**Leo:** "Answer: Yes, love can help in a career. When people are in love, they are often happier and more positive. This happiness can make them work better and be more creative. So, love can really help someone do well at their job."

**Leo:** "Is it important to have both love and a career?"

**Leo:** "Answer: Yes, it is important to have both. Love gives support and happiness in life. A career provides independence and a sense of achievement. Having both love and a career can lead to a balanced and fulfilling life."

**Leo:** "Gwen, as Steve Jobs once said, 'The only way to do great work is to love what you do.' I think this applies to both our career and personal life. We should find a career we love and also cherish our relationships."

**Gwen:** "True, Leo. And remember what Audrey Hepburn said, 'The most important thing is to enjoy your life – to be happy – it's all that matters.' We need a plan to balance work and love to truly be happy."

**Leo:** "So, how about this plan: dedicate specific times for work and love. Like, set work hours and stick to them, but also plan regular quality time for loved ones."

**Gwen:** "Right! Also, mixing a bit of love into our work life can be beneficial. Sharing our achievements with loved ones or even seeking their support during challenging times at work."

**Leo:** "Indeed, and taking care of our well-being is crucial. Balancing work and love means taking breaks when needed, pursuing hobbies, and ensuring we're mentally and emotionally healthy."

**Gwen:** "To our dear listeners, remember to love what you do and do what you love. Whether in career or relationships, find your balance and cherish both."

**Gwen:** "Now, let's talk about some key career-related words."

**Gwen:** "Goal. Meaning: An aim or desired result that people want to achieve. Example: 'Setting clear goals is important for a successful career.'"

**Gwen:** "Achievement. Meaning: Something accomplished, especially by superior ability, special effort, or great courage. Example: 'Winning the science award was a major achievement for her.'"

**Gwen:** "Balance. Meaning: An even distribution of weight or amount; maintaining equilibrium between different aspects of life. Example: 'Finding a balance between work and leisure time can lead to a happier life.'"

**Gwen:** "Independence. Meaning: The ability to live your life without being helped or influenced by other people. Example: 'Gaining independence in her career was very important to her.'"



**Gwen:** "Success. Meaning: The achievement of something planned or attempted; attaining wealth, fame, or a specific goal. Example: 'Her success in the business world was the result of hard work and dedication.'"

**Leo:** "And that brings us to the end of today's podcast episode."

**Leo:** "Thank you all for joining us today. Remember, the key to a fulfilling life is balancing love and career. Don't forget to check the free PDF in the description for more useful vocabulary!"

**Gwen:** "Goodbye, and we look forward to seeing you in the next episodes!"



# Study materials: What makes you happy in your work?

## Vocabulary

Word/Phrase	Pronunciation	Definition	Example
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		ability to do or feel something, especially something creative.	amazing things, like beautiful music or art.
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## Pre-Listen Questions

1. What do you think is more important: Love or Career? Why?
2. Do you believe it's possible to balance career and love life?

## Coherence Questions

1. Who are the hosts of the podcast?
2. What is the main topic of discussion in this podcast?
3. Which host thinks love is more important, Leo or Gwen?
4. What does Leo compare love to in the discussion?
5. What does Gwen believe about having a career?
6. Which famous person did Leo mention to support his view on love?
7. Who did Gwen mention as an example of someone focused on their career?
8. What advice do the hosts give about balancing love and career?
9. What does Gwen say about Steve Jobs' view on work?
10. Name one keyword discussed in the career-related vocabulary section.

## Post-Listen Questions

1. After listening to the podcast, has your view on love and career changed? How?
2. What was the most interesting point you heard in the discussion?



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