



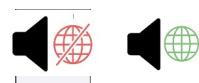
Question and Response Structure



Q : Inona no asany (*off*)? Ino asany (*tsm*) – What is his/her job?

A : no asany (*off*) / Asany (*tsm*). – His/her job is ...

A : ... izy. – He/she is ...



1. Mpanjaitra



2. Mpanao mofo



3. Mpaka sary



4. Mpianatra



5. Mpampianatra



6. Mpivarotra



7. Mpamboly



8. Mpiompy



9. Mpanao zaridaina



10. Mpihira



11. Mpitsabo



12. Dokotera



13. Mpandrafitra



14. Mpandoko



15. Mpanamboatra fiara



16. Mpamono afo



17. Sekretera



18. Mpamily / sofera

Glossary :

	Malagasy	English
1	Mpanjaitra	Tailor
2	Mpanao mofo	Baker
3	Mpaka sary	Photographer
4	Mpianatra	Student
5	Mpampianatra	Teacher
6	Mpivarotra	Seller
7	Mpamboly	Farmer (for plants)
8	Mpiompy	Breeder (for animals)
9	Mpanao zaridaina	Gardener
10	Mpihira	Singer
11	Mpitsabo	Nurse
12	Dokotera	Doctor
13	Mpandrafitra	Carpenter
14	Mpandoko	Painter
15	Mpanamboatra fiara	Mechanic
16	Mpamono afo	Firefighter
17	Sekretera	Secretary
18	Mpamily / Sofera	Driver





Grammar Notes

1. Possessive Adjectives



- Inona no asanao ? - Tantsaha aho
- Mpamboly sy **mpiompy** zany ianao ?
- Ia , **mamboly** vary sy **miompy** akoho aho
- Ary ianao, inona no asanao?
- sofera no asako



Glossary:

Tantsaha – farmer

Zany – so

Ary ianao – and you

Possessive adjectives in Malagasy are added as suffixes to nouns. For example:

- **Asako** – My job
- **Asanao** – Your job

Here are the possessive suffixes:

Subject Pronoun	Suffix	Example
Aho / Zaho	-ko	Asako (my job)
Ianao	-nao	Asanao (your job)
Izy	-ny	Asany (his/her job)
Izahay	-nay	
Isika	-ntsika	
Ianareo	-reo	
Izy ireo	-ny	

Practice Exercise: Use the possessive suffixes with "asa" (job) to indicate different people's jobs.



2. Job Names Derived from Verbs



Many job names in Malagasy are derived from verbs.

This is generally done by changing the initial letter **M** in the verb to **Mp**,
(with some exceptions).

For example:

M (verb) **?Mp** (job)

Mianatra (to study) becomes **Mpianatra** (student).

Exercise: Try to find the verb form for each job above by answering the question

MANINONA ny (off) / MANINO ny (tsm) ?

For example:

Manino ny mpianatra ?

- **Miamatra izy**

(What does the student do? He studies)