1. Skilled trades, nursing and nurses’ aides, surgeons, veterinarians, dog groomers, cleaning/janitorial, gardening and yard care, restaurant workers, personal care, physical therapy, street sweeping and snow removal, trucking and delivery drivers … off the top of my head in just a few minutes. Glad I’m a painting contractor/decorator! **LizManus.**

2. My husband’s job – maintenance in a residential care home. There are many and various repairs: broken power points, broken radiator covers, equipment checks, [Pat testing](https://www.hse.gov.uk/electricity/faq-portable-appliance-testing.htm), etc. A robot could probably paper a wall, but could it cut around light switches? Paint awkward spaces such as bannister rails? The jobs that are the least valued as far as wages go are the jobs that cannot easily be done remotely or by machines or robots – and those held by the same key workers who were [so loudly praised](https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2020/dec/21/it-was-surreal-watching-it-spread-how-life-changed-for-the-woman-behind-clap-for-our-carers) during the pandemic and taken for granted before and since. **ClareM8**

3. Teaching – especially in teaching the act of communication in a community services context. We teach “active listening”, which includes paying attention to your body language, tone and biases, and responding to the listener’s. The complexities of human language can be taught in theory, but the human touch with regard to those suffering complex trauma would be hard to beat. Sadly, I can see people undermining the importance of this and replacing it with AI. **Natasha2**