

The Curious Scientist

Read the passage below and answer the following questions.

Dr. Emily is a curious scientist who loves conducting experiments and discovering new things. She spends her days in the laboratory, studying how things work. Dr. Emily believes that science can help solve problems and make the world a better place.



1) What is Dr. Emily's job?

2) Where does she work?

Welcome onboard!

My name is Marian and I am a flight attendant. Providing the passengers what they need and making sure they are comfortable are my main duties.

My job is exciting. I visit many countries every year and never know where I'll be in the next week. Of course it's also tiring, and I can't spend the weekends or holidays with my family but it's worth it.

I wanted to be a flight attendant since I was a little girl, so I did everything I was advised to, in order to get the job I always wanted. I think it's very important to prepare yourself to do what you dream on, and if you are really concerned on learning and you take it seriously, you will probably get what you want.



Answer the questions according to the text:

What does Marian do for a living?

What are Marian's main duties at work?

According to her, what's the advantage of being a flight attendant?

And what is the disadvantage?

What does she think is necessary to get what you want?

Do you agree with here? Why (not)?

Mark true (T) or false (F). You'll have to explain orally when it's false:

Marian is a plane pilot. ()

Marian likes her job. ()

Marian's main duties at work are taking care of the passengers and make them feel comfortable. ()

She travels a lot. ()

She enjoys the weekends with her family and friends. ()

She wanted to be a flight attendant since she was in college. ()

If you want something, you have to be concerned on learning and take it seriously. ()

Marian didn't listen to the advices she got. ()

Marian doesn't know where she is now. ()

She has no idea where she's going to travel to next week. ()

She's tired of her job as a flight attendant. ()



Aren't firefighters cool?

Yesterday I was playing videogames in my room when I heard people screaming. I went out and saw: my neighbors' house was on fire!

In less than 10 minutes the firemen arrived and fought against the fire for one hour until they made it. Wow! They are really brave! One of them entered the house and saved the Johnson's dog that was trapped in the fire.

I made a decision: I want to be a fireman when I grow up. I'll be strong and brave enough to fight against the fire, to save people's lives and property. I can't wait! I can already see it in the newspaper: "Brave fireman rescues a family of four", Mom will be really proud.



Mark true (T) or false (F). When it's false, you'll have to justify your answer orally:

- The boy's house was on fire. ()
- The boy thinks the firemen are brave. ()
- He admires the firefighters. ()
- It took long the firemen to arrive. ()
- It took one hour to extinguish the fire. ()
- The boy's neighbors have a pet. ()
- A fireman saved the dog's life. ()
- The boy wants to be a firefighter when he grows up. ()
- He wants to be as strong and brave as the firefighters. ()

Answer the questions:

What was the boy doing when the neighbors' house caught fire?

Did he want to be a fireman before that day?

Why did he decide to be a fireman in the future?

What qualities does he think are essential for being a fireman?

What can he already see in the newspaper?

Who do you think the newspaper is referring to?

How does the boy think his mother will feel? Do you agree with him?

Helping children grow up

My name's Albert and I'm a teacher. My students call me Mr. Smith and I love my job. I've been a teacher since 1990 and I've had the opportunity to help hundreds - maybe thousands - of children to learn and prepare themselves for their future professional lives. I hope I have helped them learn a little bit about life and maturity and have also given important advice on how to be responsible adults and citizens.

It's a hard job and requires commitment and patience but I wouldn't choose another one. When I see my students' progress at the end of each semester I understand that teaching is really in my blood.

Mark true (T) or false (F) according to the text:

1. Albert is a teacher. ()
2. His students call him Mr. Johnson. ()
3. He's been a teacher for many years. ()
4. He doesn't like his job. ()
5. He helps students understand mature people like their parents. ()
6. He gives important advice on how to grow up fast. ()
7. It's an easy job in his opinion. ()
8. His job requires commitment. ()
9. In his opinion, a teacher must be patient. ()
10. He would chose another job if he had the opportunity. ()



Answer the questions:

- A. Is Mr. Smith an experienced teacher in your opinion? Why?

- B. Do you agree that his job requires commitment and patience? What else does it require in your opinion?

- C. What kind of advices do you think he has given his students?

- D. What does he mean when he says "teaching is really in my blood"?



E. Mr. Smith says his job is hard. What kind of difficulties do you think he usually faces to make him think that?

F. If you were a teacher, what aspects of your job would be the most difficult for you to deal with?

Laila's family

Hi! My name is Laila, and I am 10 years old. I live with my mum, my dad and my sister. My mum is a doctor, it is a very difficult job, she saves people's lives!

My dad is a nurse, he works at the same hospital as my mum. He helps doctors operate the patients, my mum and him make a great team!

My sister is older than me, she is 20 years old. She studies at university to become a veterinarian, it's a bit like my parent's jobs but with animals.

My grandfather on my mum's side was a dentist: he was also a doctor, but for people's teeth.



With all my family working in the medical field people think I want to do the same, but that is not true! I know what I want to do when I grow up: I will be an artist! I already have a plan: I am going to take my school's art classes next year and when I am older, I am going to go to university and study art. Then I will sell my beautiful paintings and I'll become famous!

→ This story uses a lot of possessives. Find examples in the text!

→ What are the tenses used in this text?

→ What are the jobs of Laila's family members?

Mum: _____ Sister: _____

Dad: _____ Grandfather: _____

→ What is Laila's dream job? What is yours?

JOBS - The secretary

My name is Candice Klein. I am 34 years old. I live in Birmingham, in a small house. I get up at 7.30 am, take a shower, and have a quick breakfast. Then I leave home, take the bus, and go to work.



I am a secretary at a big export firm. I have to assist my boss in his daily tasks. I organize appointments, schedule meetings, and prepare reports. I also create and process business correspondence, such as letters and emails. I also have to answer the phone. My work includes the management of documents and files. I have to archive important documents, update databases, and ensure that information is quickly and easily accessible. I am also in charge of accounting tasks such as preparing payments. Sometimes I receive visitors and put them in contact with the person or department they are looking for. I have to be discreet and handle confidential information responsibly.

To work successfully as a secretary, I need organizational skills, communication skills, and a good use of various office technologies such as computers, printers, and phone systems. It is a challenging job, but I love it.

Answer the questions

1. How old is Candice?

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2. Where does she live?

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3. What is her job?

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4. Where does she work?

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5. Say five things a secretary does.

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6. Is her job easy?

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7. Does she like her job?

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8. What is your dad's job?

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9. What is your mom's job?

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10. What is your dream job?

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Jobs reading

This is Shazia. She is a nurse. She works at the hospital in Halifax. She likes her job, but the work is hard.

Shazia works 40 hours a week. She sometimes works in the day time and sometimes she works at night. She often works on Saturdays, but she doesn't work on Sundays.

Shazia lives in Huddersfield. She goes to work by bus. Shazia can drive, but it is not easy to park near the hospital and the bus stop is near her house.



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| 1. Shazia is a nurse. | ☒ Yes or No. |
| 2. She works in Huddersfield | Yes or No. |
| 3. She likes her job. | Yes or No. |
| 4. She works 30 hours a week. | Yes or No. |
| 5. She works on Saturdays. | Yes or No. |
| 6. She works on Sundays | Yes or No. |
| 7. She goes by bus. | Yes or No. |
| 8. She can drive. | Yes or No. |

- A. What is Shazia's job?
- B. Where does she work?
- C. Where does she live?

JOBS – The Journalist



Good morning. My name is Alfred and I am a journalist. A journalist is a person who writes, reports, or broadcasts news stories to inform the public about important events happening around the world. I work for a well-known newspaper in Atlanta.

I have a lot of work to do before I can write an article. I have to gather information, verify facts, conduct interviews, and collect data to create news stories. Therefore, I have to talk to people, attend events, and do research to find out what's happening.

Before my stories are published, I have to review and correct them for accuracy and clarity.

A journalist needs a lot of skills to be successful.

1. Good writing skills: journalists need to write clearly and accurately. They use words to paint a picture of what's happening.
2. Curiosity: They are curious and eager to learn. They ask questions to uncover the truth.
3. Critical thinking: They must think critically to analyze information and present it fairly.
4. Ethical behavior: Journalists must follow ethical guidelines and be honest in their reporting.

There are different types of journalists:

- News reporters: They cover current events and deliver the latest news to the public.
- Feature writers: They write in-depth articles about people, places, or topics of interest.
- Photojournalists: They capture news through photographs.
- Investigative journalists: They dig deep to uncover hidden stories and expose wrongdoing.

Journalists have an important job. They inform the world about what's happening and help us understand the world better. If you're curious, enjoy writing, and care about sharing information, a career in journalism might be perfect for you!

Answer the questions

1. Where does Alfred work?
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2. What must he do before he can write an article?
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3. Why does he need curiosity?
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4. What does a photojournalist do?
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5. Why is the job of journalists so important?
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6. Do you read a newspaper?
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7. What kind of news do you read first?
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8. Do you follow the news on TV or the internet?
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9. Do you discuss the news at school?
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10. Would you like to be a journalist? Why? Why not?
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