

1 Why are there so many unemployed people?

People are unemployed because they do not want to work / do not have the right skills / are too old and too slow for some employers / do not invest in their professional development / lose their jobs because of downsizing / lose their jobs because they don't follow some rules.

2 Should housewives be paid for their work? Why? Why not?

Yes, I think housewives should be paid for their work because taking care of the house and kids is as demanding as working in a factory.

No, I think housewives should not be paid for their work. After maternity leave they should return to work.

No, I think housewives should not be paid for their work because our country is too poor to give salaries to women who sit at home and take care of babies.

3 At what age should people stop working? Why?

I think people should work till the age of 65 or longer if they are in good health because they need to have contact with people / need to have some tasks to do / ought to make some mental and physical effort / should feel useful and needed

I think people should work for at least 35 years. Life without a job is boring / monotonous / empty.

4 What kind of job would you like to have in the future?

I would like to be a flight attendant / doctor / software developer.
Being a flight attendant will allow me to see the world and meet interesting people. / Being a doctor will allow me to help sick people and save many lives. / I am creative and I love computers so being a software developer would be perfect for me.

5 Would you like to have a 9-to-5 job? Why? Why not?

Yes, I would like to work from 9 to 5 because it would allow me to have time for my hobbies / I would have time for my family / my life would be more organized then.
No, I would not like to have a 9 to 5 job because I work more effectively in the evening and at night / I need some flexibility / because I don't like routine and repetition.

6 When can work be frustrating?

Work can be frustrating when it is connected with stress / we have an unpleasant boss / we can't be promoted / we earn very little money / there are no chances to develop.

7 What kind of boss would you like to have? Why?

I would like to have a friendly boss who will support me and offer me some help. If I had a friendly boss, my job would be a pleasure and I would work very hard to satisfy my boss.

I would like to have a motivating and demanding boss because I would work better and develop professionally.

8 What do you have to do to get a well-paid job?

To get a well-paid job I must have the right skills / need to be well-educated / should be motivated and hardworking / should have some connections, people who will employ me / should be a trustworthy, reliable and loyal employee.

9 Are job interviews the best way to find a good employee? Why? Why not?

I think job interviews are the best way to find a good employee. They are based on meeting a potential employer, answering some questions and solving some tasks. In this way you can find out if the potential employee has the necessary skills.

I don't think interviews are the best way to find a good employee. People are often too stressed during an interview and do not show their full potential. / People may have a bad day and not do well during a job interview.

10 What skills do you need to be a good employee?

To be a good employee I ought to be hardworking / motivated / highly-skilled / focused on my job.