## ESL BRAINS

#### Talking about professions

- 1. Talk about two of the topics below.
  - the job you have at the moment
  - a job you had in the past
  - a job you wanted to have when you were younger
  - a job you would like to have
- 2. Discuss the questions.
  - Which of the jobs below would you call a dream job? Why?

secret agent

food critic

personal shopper

island caretaker

chocolatier

YouTuber

• Look at the list of unusual jobs. What do you think the responsibilities in each job are? Would you choose them as a career?

panda babysitter

car tester

movie animal trainer

professional wedding guest

professional sleeper

ethical hacker

- How do people usually choose the job they want to do?
- 3. You are going to watch two videos about unusual jobs. Look at the words and say what the jobs might be. Then, watch the <u>first video</u>
  [https://youtu.be/Znx\_oZWj1MQ] and the <u>second video</u>
  [https://youtu.be/xBfU\_SlssDc] and check your ideas.

VIDEO 1: VIDEO 2:

walk dumpster

meet new people brand new

conversation save

- 4. Discuss the questions.
  - Which job surprised you more: people walker or dumpster diver? Why?
  - What skills do you need to do these jobs?
  - Would you like to try these jobs? Why/Why not?



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# 5. Think of three jobs for each category. Explain your choices.

- stressful jobs
- jobs which are useful to society
- jobs for people who are patient
- jobs for people who are confident
- jobs for people who are creative



#### 6. Discuss the questions.

- Why do people change careers/go into a new profession?
- What advice would you give to young people who don't know what they want to do?
- What kind of education, training or skills do you need to do your job?
- What things are important for you in a job (e.g. friendly colleagues, good salary, interesting tasks)?
- Is it better to be a boss or an employee? Why?
- Why do so many people want to do jobs that might make them famous, e.g.
   YouTuber, actor or influencer?
- Can you think of any professions that are paid too little or too much?