

Test

I. Read the text and complete the gaps.

As graduation approaches, students will be giving more and more thought to their choice of career. However, the (1) _____ market has become increasingly competitive over the past few years.

In order to do more than just make (2) _____ meet, school and university leavers are being urged to think (3) _____ the box before setting off along their career path.

Graduates who find themselves out of (4) _____ might want to consider applying for the (5) _____ of pet food taster. The job offers a (6) _____ which is high enough not only to feed yourself, but also to (7) _____ a family in later years. Successful (8) _____ for the job should possess both a good sense of adventure and taste. Work (9) _____ is not a requirement, but candidates who are (10) _____ in the field of food nutrition are preferred.

One of the (11) _____ of the job is an unlimited supply of pet food for all (12) _____! This should be especially appealing to those who own a pet or who actually acquire a taste for the food.

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| 1. a. work | b. job | c. career |
| 2. a. ends | b. end | c. endings |
| 3. a. beside | b. outside | c. inside |
| 4. a. job | b. peak | c. work |
| 5. a. position | b. place | c. reference |
| 6. a. benefit | b. workload | c. salary |
| 7. a. support | b. carry | c. contain |
| 8. a. employers | b. candidates | c. freelancers |
| 9. a. skills | b. overtime | c. experience |
| 10. a. promoted | b. qualified | c. devoted |
| 11. a. responsibilities | b. terms | c. perks |
| 12. a. employees | b. rivals | c. subordinates |

II. Complete the sentences with the correct active or passive form of the verb in brackets.

- At last night's ceremony, they ... the award to an unknown actress. (GIVE)
- The survivors ..._ by a cruise ship that ...to be near them. (RESCUE, HAPPEN)
- Two hours after the accident the doctor... him dead. (DECLARE)
- I remember... to the circus by my father. (BE TAKE)
- The weather ...in the next few days. (NOT IMPROVE)
- Coffee ...before you... it. (MUST ROAST, SELL)
- The bridge ...at the moment so it... (REPAIR, CANNOT USE)
- The police... the victim a picture of the suspect. (SHOW)
- The new staff members ...all the help they need. (GIVE)
- That door ...for ages. (NOT OPEN)
- A few days ago, a judge... him to appear before court next month. (ORDER)
- The Times ... such a shocking letter before. (NEVER PUBLISH)

III. Read the text. Match choices (A-H) to (1-6). There two choices you do not need to use.

What? Is It a Real Job?

1 Penguins residing near polar stations respond lively to helicopters flying past them. Animals peck their heads and bend backs, and since their neck is short and they lose balance easily, they often fall on their backs. The penguins cannot turn over and stand up on their own, so a specialist comes to their rescue after every arrival or departure.

2 Doing house chores is difficult, especially when it is a mansion and you are alone in it, and this dwelling is located on a remote Caribbean island, where the weather is sunny all year round and exotic fruit is a common thing in your orchard. All you have to do is to look after the house when the hosts are away, for half a year for the salary of \$10 000 monthly.

3 These employees are needed in expensive furniture stores that sell bedding sets. During the working day, the specialist should walk around the trading floor and straighten wrinkles, which fold on pillows and bedspreads. An additional duty is to test mattresses by lying on them and checking the level of softness or tightness.

4 No one likes staying long hours in lines, waiting for their turn to receive money or fill in an application form. As a result, in Britain, the first company, which provides unusual service, appeared. The employees of the firm are ready to defend the client to the victorious end, to push, to swear, to stand long hours – to do anything to obtain the result. The payment for such dedication is \$40 per hour.

5 The official friends and relatives hiring service appeared in China last year. It has become a real way out for those who have no time for a relationship or are too reserved. Contact the agency before a wedding, birthday or any other event where you «must» be accompanied to maintain your status.

6 These professionals are hired by large design companies. After the first sample of the product comes off the assembly line, it goes through various quality tests. One point of examination is the comfort and satisfaction of the customer. Of course, no one tests tables and bookshelves, but chairs, armchairs and beds are under the constant attention of these specialists.

Which job _____?

A will prevent you from wasting your time on waiting

B is connected to soft furniture usage

C provides assistance to animals

D involves testing mattresses and blankets by sleeping on them

E helps shy people to find friends

F requires moving to another place for a six-month period

G includes responsibilities for checking bedroom belongings

H is aimed at helping lonely people