

Unit 4

Listening

You will hear five short extracts in which people are talking about how they gave up office jobs to do other types of work.

TASK ONE

Choose from the list **A-H** what made each speaker decide to give up office work.

- A** poor motivation
- B** lack of exercise
- C** the regular hours
- D** limited contact with people
- E** overcrowded workplace
- F** dull colleagues
- G** few career prospects
- H** stressful deadlines

TASK TWO

Choose from the list **A-H** what each speaker likes best about their present job.

- A** being my own boss
- B** feeling appreciated by clients
- C** being able to offer advice
- D** feeling respected for my skills
- E** being fully qualified
- F** feeling committed to the work
- G** being relatively well paid
- H** being able to help others

Vocabulary

Translate the following words from German into English or the other way round.

1. K^aa^hl^kö^pfⁱg^keⁱt
2. G^eh^örⁱo^si^gk^ei^t
3. v^er^sc^hr^um^peⁱt
4. die Wⁱr^beⁱs^au^le the
5. F^et^leⁱbⁱg^keⁱt
6. eine L^as^t a/an
7. eine S^uc^ht a/an
8. an eⁿgⁱn^ee^r ein

Complete the following sentences with idioms from Unit 4.

1. She her heels in with all the stubborn determination she could muster, her ten-year-old face closed in on itself as she refused to even look into the room.
2. I get the impression there's more to him than the eye.
3. When she had finished, she gave him a of her mind: "I don't know what you think you're doing, Roald," she told him, "but it's absolute baloney."
4. Basically, being decisive means you can your mind and do it without a lot of hesitation. You know you're indecisive if you let others make decisions for you or you are easily swayed by TV, friends, and clerks.
5. In the first innings Goddard with 60 had made his top score of the series. At this point he announced his retirement from cricket. As though his decision to retire had lifted a off his he played a confident, carefree game.
6. He tried to paint the president as he really was, and all.
7. "Sorry I forgot about your birthday. It totally my mind."

Choose the correct linking words to complete the sentences.

1. Laius and Jocasta's story is about how you can't avoid fate, much you try.
2. Literacy of the general masses was relatively high in the eastern Mediterranean basin and reading matter, very expensive, was in great demand.
3. The strangest and most wondrous are the corpses that, being thousands of years old, still remain in their original form. They call them mūmiyā in Arabic.
4. Is it true that global warming is now inevitable what we do?
5. During summer the surface salinity of the Black Sea is from 1.70 to 2'00‰ down to 90 meters, in the greater depths it attains a salinity of 2.25‰.
6. I would like to help you, I'm simply too busy at the moment.
7. Polynesians eat a lot of saturated fat because of their dependence on coconuts, which are actually the staple food of some islands, they rarely get heart attacks back home.

Grammar

Complete the sentences about past or present habits with the most suitable verb forms.

1. people's birthdays. It's so annoying.
2. My brother for a visa six times before he got one.
3. They every three months. But now they get paid weekly.
4. There any crime around here in the old days. But there is now.
5. When playing together, the children as much time devising and discussing the rules of a game as they spend playing the game itself.
6. After having been here for three years, I still sushi for breakfast.
7. When we worked in the same office, we coffee together

The following sentences talk about the future from a past perspective. Complete them with the most suitable verb forms: *was/were about to*, *was/were going to*, *was/were to*, *would*. Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

- a) I to the cinema, but in the end I decided to stay in instead.
- b) At the time, nobody knew that David (go) on to be rich and famous.
- c) Francis and Jo (get) married in June, but Jo broke off the engagement.
- d) I couldn't do overtime as I (meet) some friends that evening.
- e) Fred had packed his bag and (leave) the house when the phone rang.
- f) When I bought the car in 1995, I didn't think I (keep) it for twenty years.
- g) The show (start) when the singer fainted.
- h) The plane (leave) at two o'clock, but the flight was cancelled.
- i) It was almost midnight and I (go) to bed when Anne and Lidia showed up at my apartment.

Reading

You are going to read an article about the Royal Society, a British scientific institution. In which section of the article (A-E) are the following things mentioned.

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