

# Jobs

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## 44 I can name jobs 🎧

What do you do?

What's your job?

I'm ...

### spotlight a/an with jobs

We use **a/an** when we say what people's jobs are.  
*He's **a builder**.* NOT *He's-builder.*  
*She's **a teacher** and he's **an engineer**.*



a police officer



a shop assistant



a builder



a businessman/  
businesswoman



a nurse



a teacher



a secretary



a hairdresser



a chef



a dentist



a soldier



a cleaner



a vet



a pilot



a lorry driver also a train/bus/taxi driver

Word	Example	Meaning
<b>self-employed</b>	<i>Are you <b>self-employed</b>?</i>	working for yourself, not for a company
<b>unemployed</b>	<i>I'm <b>unemployed</b>, but I'm looking for a job.</i>	with no job, but wanting to work
<b>retired</b>	<i>My grandfather is <b>retired</b> now.</i>	= My grandfather has stopped work because he is over 65.
<b>housewife</b> OR <b>househusband</b>	<i>She's a <b>housewife</b> now, but she was a lawyer.</i>	a woman or a man who looks after the house and family and doesn't go out to work
<b>boss</b>	<i>Who's <b>the boss</b> in this company?</i>	a person who tells people what to do in their jobs

1 Circle the correct answer.

- ▶ The most important person in the company is the boss/hairdresser.
- 1 A police officer/vet works with dogs and cats.
  - 2 A shop assistant/dentist sells things.
  - 3 A housewife/nurse works in a hospital.
  - 4 Retired people are usually young/old.
  - 5 An unemployed person has/hasn't got a job.
  - 6 A businesswoman/soldier can be self-employed.
  - 7 A businessman usually has a secretary/househusband.
  - 8 A pilot/dentist looks after people's teeth.
  - 9 A lorry driver/chef works in a kitchen.
  - 10 A builder/cleaner works outdoors a lot.

2 Correct the spelling mistakes.

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|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| ▶ teecher       | teacher        | 5 polis officer | 10 houswife      |
| 1 bisnessman    | businessman    | 6 retaired      | 11 self-employed |
| 2 shop asistant | shop assistant | 7 bildr         | 12 solder        |
| 3 airdresser    | hairdresser    | 8 lory driver   |                  |
| 4 secretairy    | secretary      | 9 cleener       |                  |

3 Complete the sentences.

- ▶ Does she stay at home with the children? ~ Yes, she's a housewife.
- 1 Could she cut my hair? ~ Yes, she's .....
  - 2 Does he work for Alitalia? ~ Yes, he's .....
  - 3 Has she got a job? ~ No, she's .....
  - 4 Does he tell people what to do? ~ Yes, he's .....
  - 5 She's seventy - has she got a job? ~ No, she's .....
  - 6 Does he work for other people? ~ No, he's .....
  - 7 Does she work with students? ~ Yes, she's .....
  - 8 Does he work in that restaurant? ~ Yes, he's .....

4 ABOUT YOU Think about your family and people you know. Write their names if they do the jobs below.

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|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| ▶ a nurse                   | my friend Christa                | 5 someone who is retired |
| ▶ a vet                     | I don't know anyone who's a vet. | 6 a teacher              |
| ▶ a soldier                 | Mr Rosakis                       | 7 a pilot                |
| 1 a secretary               | .....                            | 8 a dentist              |
| 2 a chef                    | .....                            | 9 a businessman or woman |
| 3 a hairdresser             | .....                            | 10 a boss                |
| 4 someone who is unemployed | .....                            |                          |

5 Test yourself. Look at the pictures and cover the words. What are the jobs? Then cover the words and examples in the table and look at the meanings. Can you say the words?