



UNIT 5A · GENERAL A1

She works in a hospital

Class Book and Workbook · one complete unit

By the end you will...

- Talk about jobs and workplaces
- Use present simple third person (he/she/it) correctly
- Add -s, -es or change -y to -ies for third person verbs
- Ask 'What does he/she do?' and answer about a job
- Describe a person's job in a short paragraph

Warm-up · Jobs I know

Think about people you know. Answer with short sentences.

- What is your job, or the job of someone in your family?
- Name three jobs you see every day in your city.
- Which job do you think is difficult? Why?

1. Lead-in · Odd one out

Which word is different? Say why: 'It isn't a job.' / 'It isn't a place.'

nurse · doctor · hospital

teacher · school · office

chef · waiter · kitchen

farm · garage · mechanic

Say your job and your workplace: 'I'm a... I work in a...'

2. Reading · Three jobs, three days

Maria is a nurse. She works in a hospital in Madrid. She starts work at seven and she finishes at three. She helps sick people every day, and she likes her job very much.

David is a chef. He works in a small restaurant. He cooks lunch and dinner, and he tries new recipes every week. He doesn't work on Mondays — the restaurant is closed.

Fatima is a teacher. She teaches English to young children. She plans lessons in the evening and she checks homework at the weekend. 'My job is busy, but it's a happy job,' she says.

Comprehension

Where does Maria work?

What day is the restaurant closed?

What does Fatima do at the weekend?

2b. Words in the text

Match the word with the meaning.

- help sick people
take care of people who are ill
- a recipe
instructions to cook a dish
- plan a lesson
prepare a class before you teach it

- closed
not open

2c. Talk about the texts

Answer in one or two sentences.

- Whose job is most similar to yours: Maria's, David's or Fatima's?
Answer key: Model: My job is a bit like Fatima's job. I also plan work in the evening.
- Which job would you choose, and why?
Answer key: Model: I would choose David's job, because I love cooking.

The World's Most Popular Jobs

Source: Apex English · graded news-style report · Original text written for Apex English (A1 graded reader)

A short report about the most common jobs around the world.

What job do most people have? A new study looks at jobs in 50 countries. The most common job is 'shop assistant'. Millions of people work in shops every day.

Teaching is also very popular. There are more than 80 million teachers in the world. They work in schools, and they help children learn to read, write and count.

Farming is important too, especially in small towns and villages. A farmer grows food for other people. 'Without farmers, there is no food on the table,' says one report.

1. READ FOR GIST

- What is the text about?
Answer key: The most common jobs around the world.
- What is the most common job in the study?
Answer key: Shop assistant.

2. READ FOR DETAIL

- How many teachers are there in the world?
Answer key: More than 80 million.
- What do teachers help children do?
Answer key: Learn to read, write and count.
- Why is farming important?
Answer key: Because farmers grow food for other people.

3. GLOSSARY

a study

research about a topic

common

usual, found in many places

a village

a very small town

4. DISCUSS IN PAIRS

- Is your job (or a job in your family) common where you live?
- Which job in the text do you think is the most important?

3. Vocabulary · Jobs & workplaces

SET A

a doctor / a nurse

work in a hospital or a clinic

a teacher

works in a school

an engineer

designs and builds things

a shop assistant

works in a shop

a driver

drives a bus, a taxi or a truck

a farmer

grows food and works on a farm

SET B

What does she do?

ask about someone's job

She works as a...

say someone's job

He works for...

say the name of the company

Where does he work?

ask about the workplace

Practice

Complete with ONE word.

- She works in a hospital.
- He teaches English to children.
- My sister drives a bus every day.
- He grows food on a farm.
- She works in a small shop.

3b. Job or workplace?

Match the job with the usual place.

- a nurse
a hospital
- a teacher
a school

- a waiter
a restaurant
- a pilot
an airport
- a farmer
a farm

4. Grammar · Present simple: he / she / it

Add -s

he work he works, she like she likes, it rain it rains.

Add -es

After -s, -ss, -sh, -ch, -x, -o: she watches, he goes, it finishes.

-y -ies

study studies, try tries. But: play plays (vowel + y).

Irregular: have has

She has two jobs. He has a busy day.

Negative

he/she/it + doesn't + base verb: He doesn't work on Mondays.

Questions

Does + he/she/it + base verb: Does she work in a hospital?

Short answers

Yes, she does. / No, he doesn't.

4a. Add the correct ending

Complete with the correct present simple form.

- She ___ (work) in a school.
Answer key: works
- He ___ (study) English every day.
Answer key: studies
- It ___ (rain) a lot in this city.
Answer key: rains
- She ___ (watch) TV in the evening.
Answer key: watches
- He ___ (have) a busy job.
Answer key: has
- She ___ (try) new recipes every week.
Answer key: tries

4b. Make it negative

Rewrite the sentence in the negative.

- She works on Sundays.
Answer key: She doesn't work on Sundays.

- He likes his job.
Answer key: He doesn't like his job.
- It rains every day here.
Answer key: It doesn't rain every day here.
- She studies at night.
Answer key: She doesn't study at night.

4c. Make the question

Write the question, then a short answer.

- she / work / in a hospital? (Yes)
Answer key: Does she work in a hospital? Yes, she does.
- he / like / his job? (Yes)
Answer key: Does he like his job? Yes, he does.
- it / rain / today? (No)
Answer key: Does it rain today? No, it doesn't.

Look at the picture and use the grammar you just studied

Look at the picture. Write 4–5 sentences about the nurse's job. Use present simple (he/she/it).

5. Listening · A day in her job

A journalist, Mr Lopez, interviews Helen about her job as a bus driver. Listen for her routine and opinions.

Two voices — no narrator introduction.

Before you listen

- What do you think a bus driver's day is like?
- Is it a difficult job? Why?

First listen — gist

- What is Helen's job?
Answer key: She is a bus driver.
- Does she like her job?
Answer key: Yes, she likes it very much.

Second listen — detail

- What time does Helen start work?
Answer key: She starts work at six o'clock.
- How many hours does she drive?
Answer key: She drives for eight hours.
- Does she work on Sundays?
Answer key: No, she doesn't. Sunday is her day off.
- What does she like about her job?
Answer key: She likes meeting different people every day.

5b. Useful language

Match the phrase with the use.

- What does your job involve?
ask about the daily tasks of a job
- She starts at six.
give a time for a routine
- It's a hard job, but I love it.
give an opinion about a job
- Does she work weekends?
ask about the work schedule

6. Speaking · Guess the job

Work in pairs. Describe a job with third person sentences. Your partner guesses the job.

- Guess the job
A: Describe a job: where it is, what the person does, what time they start.
B: Listen and guess the job.
- Interview
A: You are a journalist. Ask 'What does she/he do?' and other questions.
B: Answer about a job you know well (real or invented).

6b. Talk together

Ask and answer in pairs.

- What does your mother or father do?
- Does your best friend like their job?
- What job does your neighbour have?
- Which job in your family is the most interesting?

6c. Mini presentation · Someone's job

Talk about a person's job (real or invented) in 4–5 sentences.

- Name and job title
- Where he/she works
- What time he/she starts and finishes
- One thing he/she does every day
- Does he/she like the job?

7. Writing · A person's job

Write 40–50 words about a job (yours, or someone you know). Use present simple third person (he/she/it) with at least three verbs ending in -s or -es.

WORKBOOK · HOME PRACTICE

Unit 5A Workbook

Do this after class. Answers are marked for your teacher.

1. Vocabulary gap-fill

Complete each sentence with ONE word from the box.

- She helps sick people. She is a nurse.
- He teaches children maths. He is a teacher.
- She designs bridges. She is an engineer.
- He drives a taxi in the city.
- My uncle works on a farm in the countryside.
- He grows vegetables and fruit.

2. -s, -es or no change?

Write the correct present simple form for he/she/it.

- work she ____
Answer key: works
- watch he ____
Answer key: watches
- study she ____
Answer key: studies
- have he ____
Answer key: has
- go it ____
Answer key: goes
- play she ____
Answer key: plays
- finish he ____
Answer key: finishes

3. Correct or incorrect?

Choose the correct sentence.

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Choose the correct sentence:

4. Find and fix the mistake

Each sentence has ONE mistake. Write it correctly.

- She work in a school.
Answer key: She works in a school.
- He study every evening.
Answer key: He studies every evening.
- It rain a lot in winter.
Answer key: It rains a lot in winter.
- She have a busy job.
Answer key: She has a busy job.

- Does he work on Saturdays?
Answer key: Does he work on Saturdays?
- She don't like her job.
Answer key: She doesn't like her job.

5. Listening · Three jobs

Three people describe someone's job. Listen for details.

- Speaker 1: what does his brother do?
Answer key: He is a chef. He works in a restaurant and cooks dinner every night.
- Speaker 2: where does her mother work?
Answer key: She works in a school as a teacher.
- Speaker 3: what time does the driver start?
Answer key: He starts at six o'clock and drives a bus.

6. Writing · A job I know

Write 40–50 words about a job someone you know has. Say where he/she works, what he/she does, and if he/she likes the job. Use present simple third person forms.

7. Reflection

Answer in one or two sentences.

- Which verb endings are difficult for you: -s, -es or -ies?
Answer key: Model: '-ies' is difficult for me, like 'studies' and 'tries'.
- Write two sentences about a job, using he or she.
Answer key: Model: She works in a hospital. She helps sick people every day.