



UNIT 5B · GENERAL A1

Does he like his job?

Class Book and Workbook · one complete unit

By the end you will...

- Ask and answer yes/no questions with does/doesn't about habits and jobs
- Talk about opinions with 'like/love/hate + noun or -ing'
- Use adverbs of frequency: always, usually, often, sometimes, never
- Put adverbs of frequency in the correct place in a sentence
- Talk about a friend's or family member's job and daily habits

Warm-up · Happy at work?

Think about people you know. Answer with short sentences.

- Name one person you know. What is their job?
- Do they like their job? How do you know?
- What makes a job good, in your opinion?

1. Lead-in · Which job for you?

Choose A or B and say why: 'I'd rather... because...'

- WOULD YOU RATHER...
 - A. A job you love with a small salary.
 - B. A job you don't like with a big salary.
 - Use: I love / I don't like / I hate
- WOULD YOU RATHER...
 - A. Work early: 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 - B. Work late: 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.
 - Use: I usually get up at...
- WOULD YOU RATHER...
 - A. Work at home alone.
 - B. Work in an office with people.
 - Use: I like people / I like quiet

Does anyone in the class choose the same as you?

2. Reading · Three jobs, three opinions

Carla is a nurse. She works long hours, but she loves her job. 'I usually finish at nine at night,' she says. 'But I help people every day. That's important to me.'

Diego drives a taxi. He doesn't like the traffic, but he likes his customers. He always talks to them. 'I never feel bored,' he says. 'People tell me their stories.'

Ana works in an office. She doesn't enjoy her job. 'I sit at a desk all day,' she says. 'I sometimes finish late, and I rarely see my friends. I want a new job.'

Comprehension

Who loves their job?

Why does Diego never feel bored?

What does Ana want?

2b. Words in the texts

Match the word with the meaning.

- customer
a person who buys or uses a service
- bored
not interested, tired of something
- complain
say you are not happy about something
- traffic
many cars on the road

2c. Talk about the texts

Answer in one or two sentences.

- Whose job is most similar to yours or a job you know?
Answer key: Model: My job is like Ana's job. I sit at a desk and I sometimes finish late.
- Do you agree that helping people makes a job good?
Answer key: Model: Yes, I agree. I think it's important to help people at work.

The Four-Day Work Week: Do Workers Like It?

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

A short report about companies that try a shorter work week.

In some countries, companies now try a four-day work week. Workers work four days, not five, but they get the same money. Many companies test this idea for six months.

Do workers like it? Studies say yes. Workers feel less tired and they don't complain about their jobs. 'I always feel happy on my day off,' says one worker. 'I never feel stressed now.'

Some managers worry about the company. Does it still work well with four days? Studies show most companies are fine. Some workers say they now love their job more than before.

1. READ FOR GIST

- What is the text about?
Answer key: Companies that try a four-day work week.
- Do workers like it?
Answer key: Yes, most workers feel happier and less tired.

2. READ FOR DETAIL

- How many days do workers work in this new system?
Answer key: Four days, not five.
- Do workers get less money?
Answer key: No, they get the same money.
- How long do companies usually test this idea?
Answer key: Six months.
- What do some managers worry about?
Answer key: If the company still works well with four days.

3. GLOSSARY

four-day work week

working four days instead of five

test

try something to see if it works

stressed

feeling worried or under pressure

manager

a person who leads a team at work

4. DISCUSS IN PAIRS

- Would you like a four-day work week? Why or why not?
- Do you know a company that does something similar?

3. Vocabulary · Opinions and habits at work

SET A

like / love

positive opinion; love is stronger

don't mind

it's OK, not a problem

hate

a strong negative opinion

enjoy

like doing something

complain

say you are unhappy about something

customer

a person who pays for a product or service

SET B

Does she like her job?

ask about someone's opinion

What does he do?

ask about someone's job

How often do you work late?

ask about frequency

I don't mind it.

a neutral opinion, not too positive or negative

Practice

Complete with ONE word.

- She loves her job. She's very happy.
- He doesn't mind working at weekends.

- They always complain about the long hours.
- A customer is a person who buys things in a shop.
- I sometimes feel bored at my desk.

3b. Verb + noun

Match the verb with the usual noun.

- drive
a taxi
- help
people
- finish
work late
- sit at
a desk
- talk to
customers

4. Grammar · does/doesn't and adverbs of frequency

Yes/No questions with does

Does he like his job? — Yes, he does. / No, he doesn't.

Short answers

Does she work at night? — Yes, she does. Does she work at night? — No, she doesn't.

like/love/hate + noun

She loves her job. He hates the traffic.

like/love/hate + -ing

She loves helping people. He hates waiting in traffic.

Adverbs of frequency

always (100%) > usually > often > sometimes > rarely > never (0%).

Position: before the main verb

He always works hard. She never complains.

Position: after 'be'

He is always tired. They are never late.

4a. Complete the question with does

Complete with does, doesn't or a short answer.

- ___ she like her job? — Yes, she ____.
Answer key: Does / does
- ___ he work at weekends? — No, he ____.
Answer key: Does / doesn't
- He ___ mind the traffic.
Answer key: doesn't

- ___ they enjoy their work? — Yes, they ___.

Answer key: Do / do

4b. like/love/hate + verb

Write the correct form (-ing or noun).

- She loves ___ (help) people.
Answer key: helping
- He hates ___ (wait) for the bus.
Answer key: waiting
- I don't mind ___ (work) late.
Answer key: working
- They enjoy ___ (talk) to customers.
Answer key: talking

4c. Put the adverb in the right place

Rewrite the sentence with the adverb of frequency.

- He is tired after work. (always)
Answer key: He is always tired after work.
- She complains about her job. (never)
Answer key: She never complains about her job.
- They finish work at six. (usually)
Answer key: They usually finish work at six.
- I am late for work. (rarely)
Answer key: I am rarely late for work.

Look at the picture and use the grammar you just studied

Look at the picture. Write 4–5 sentences. Use 'does/doesn't', 'like/love + -ing' and one adverb of frequency.

5. Listening · A job interview question

A radio host, Sam, asks Priya about her job as a teacher. Listen for her opinion and her habits.

Two voices — no narrator introduction.

Before you listen

- What questions do people ask about a job?
- Do you think teachers like their job? Why?

First listen — gist

- What is Priya's job?
Answer key: She's a teacher.
- Does she like her job?
Answer key: Yes, she loves it.

Second listen — detail

- What does Priya usually do in the morning?
Answer key: She usually plans her lessons before eight o'clock.

- What does she hate about her job?

Answer key: She hates all the paperwork.

- How often does she work at weekends?

Answer key: She sometimes works at weekends, but not often.

- What does she love most?

Answer key: She loves talking to her students every day.

5b. Useful language

Match the phrase with the use.

- What do you do?
ask about someone's job
- Do you enjoy it?
ask about their opinion
- How often do you...?
ask about frequency
- To be honest...
give an honest opinion

6. Speaking · Does he like his job?

Work in pairs. Ask and answer about people's jobs and opinions with does/doesn't.

- A friend's job
A: Ask: 'What does she do?' and 'Does she like it?'
B: Answer with two adverbs of frequency (always, usually, never...).
- Interview for a magazine
A: You are a doctor. Answer questions about your job.
B: Ask three questions about the job and one habit.

6b. Talk together

Ask and answer in pairs.

- What does your father or mother do?
- Do they like their job? Why or why not?
- How often do you talk about work at home?
- What job do you like? What job do you hate?

6c. Mini presentation · Someone's job

Talk for one minute about a person's job.

- Say what they do: 'He/She is a...'
- Say if they like it: 'He/She loves/hates...'
- Say one habit with an adverb of frequency
- Say one good thing about the job
- Say one difficult thing about the job

7. Writing · My friend's job

Write 40–50 words about a friend's or family member's job. Say what they do, if they like it, and use at least two adverbs of frequency (always, usually, sometimes, never).

WORKBOOK · HOME PRACTICE

Unit 5B Workbook

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

1. Vocabulary gap-fill

Complete each sentence with ONE word from the box.

- A customer is a person who buys something in a shop.
- He always complains about the long hours at work.
- I feel bored when there is nothing to do.
- She doesn't mind helping her colleagues.
- There is a lot of traffic on this road every morning.
- I really enjoy working with children.
- He doesn't like his job — he says he hates it.

2. does / doesn't

Complete with does, doesn't, do or don't.

- ___ she like her job? — Yes, she does.
Answer key: Does
- He ___ enjoy the traffic.
Answer key: doesn't
- ___ they work at weekends? — No, they don't.
Answer key: Do
- It ___ rain much here in summer.
Answer key: doesn't
- ___ he help his colleagues? — Yes, he does.
Answer key: Does
- I ___ mind working late.
Answer key: don't

3. Which adverb?

Choose the adverb of frequency that fits best.

He is late for work. (0% of the time) He is ___ late.

She works every single day, no exceptions. She ___ works.

They go to work by bus most days, not every day. They ___ take the bus.

I work from home on Fridays only, not often. I ___ work from home.

4. Find and fix the mistake

Each sentence has ONE mistake. Write it correctly.

- Does she likes her job?
Answer key: Does she like her job?
- He don't enjoy his work.
Answer key: He doesn't enjoy his work.
- She loves help people.
Answer key: She loves helping people.
- He always is tired.
Answer key: He is always tired.
- Never she complains.
Answer key: She never complains.

- Does he work at night?

Answer key: Does he work at night?

5. Listening · Three opinions about work

Three people talk about their jobs. Listen for their opinions and habits.

- Speaker 1: does he like his job?

Answer key: Yes, he loves it. He always helps customers with a smile.

- Speaker 2: what does she hate?

Answer key: She hates working at weekends.

- Speaker 3: how often does he work late?

Answer key: He usually works late, three or four times a week.

6. Writing · My opinion about work

Write 40–50 words about a job you like or hate, and say why. Use 'like/love/hate + -ing' and at least one adverb of frequency.

7. Reflection

Answer in one or two sentences.

- Which adverbs of frequency are difficult for you to remember?

Answer key: Model: I find 'rarely' and 'usually' difficult. I often confuse them.

- Write three sentences about your own habits using does/doesn't or adverbs of frequency.

Answer key: Model: I usually wake up early. I never work at weekends. Does my job make me happy? Yes, it does.