## **Jobs & Professions**

- What do you do for living?
- Can you talk about what a typical day at your current job is like?
- Can you describe some of the people that you work with?
- Can you describe your current job?
- What was your first job?
- Do women usually work after they get married in your country?
- Do you ever work overtime?
  - o If so, do you get paid more for overtime work?
- Do you have a part-time job? If so, what do you do?
- Do you have to attend a lot of meetings for your job?
- Do you have to do a lot of paperwork?
- At what age do people usually begin to work in your country?
- At what age do people usually retire in your country?
- At what age would you like to retire?
  - o What do you think you will do after you retire?
  - o How much money do you think you need to retire with your lifestyle?
- Do you have to work overtime?
  - o If so, how often?
  - o Do you have to work on Sundays?
- Do you like your boss? Why or why not?
- Do you like your job? Why or why not?
- Do you think it is more important to make a lot of money or to enjoy your job?
- Do you think it's acceptable for women to be in the military? Why/why not?
- Do you think people over 65 should be made to retire?
- Do you think women and men should be paid the same for the same job?
- Do you think women are good bosses?
  - o Are there women bosses in your country?
- Do you think your company is well run?
  - o Do you think that the place where you work is well run?
- Does your mother work?
  - o Does your mother work outside of the house?
- Have you ever taken any courses that specifically help you with the job you are doing now?
- Have you ever worked on a farm?
  - o Did you like it?
  - o Would you like to go back on this farm job?
  - o If not, why?
- How do you like your work?
- How have working conditions changed in recent years?
  - o Do you think that working conditions have improved? If so, in what ways?
- How long do you plan to continue working where you are?
- How long have you been working at your present job?
- How many days a week do you work?
- How many hours a week do you work?
- How many times have you been promoted?
  - o When was the last time you were promoted?
  - Did you get a large pay raise at that time?
- How much do you think a doctor should be paid a month?
  - o How about a secretary?
  - o How about a truck driver?
- How much money do you make? (Maybe this is not a good question to ask.)
- How much money does a secretary get paid per week?
- How old were you when you got your first job?
- How well do you get along with your boss?
- If you could own your own business, what would it be?
- If you had to choose between a satisfying job and a well-paid one, which would you choose?
- Is it common for men and women to have the same jobs in your country?
- Is it easy to find a job in Canada? How about in your country?

- Name three occupations that you could do.
  - o Name three occupations that you could never do.
- What are some common occupations in your country?
  - What are some common jobs for men in your country?
  - What are some common jobs for women in your country?
  - o What are some jobs that children do?
- What are some jobs that you think would be boring?
- What are some jobs that you think would be fun?
- What are some questions that are frequently asked in a job interview?
- What are you responsible for?
- What are you trying to do in order to find a job that you really like?
- What do you like most about that job?
- What do you think is the best job? What do you think is the worst?
- What do you think would be the most interesting job? The most boring?
- What does your father do? (What does your father do for a living?)
- What does your mother do?
- What influenced your choice of job? (Why did you choose your job?)
- What job do you want to have in five years' time?
- What job would you most like to have, if social/cultural boundaries did not apply? (How different are they?)
- What job(s) do you wish to have in the future?
- What jobs in your country are considered to be good jobs? Why?
- What kind of volunteer work have you done?
- What kind of work do you do?
  - o What kind of work do you want to do in the future?
- What plans have you made for your retirement?
- What three adjectives would describe yourself as a worker?
- What time do you get home from work?
  - o Is it the same time every day?
- What time do your start and finish work?
- What would be your dream job?
  - o Do you think it would be possible for you to get this job?
- What's one job you wouldn't like to do? Why not?
- What's your brother's occupation?
- When you were a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?
- When you were a child, what job did you want to have when you grew up?
- Where do you work and what is your current job?
- Where do you work?
- Which job are you best at?
- Which job would you never do?
- Which jobs do you think are the most prestigious?
- Who among the people you know has the most interesting job? What is it?
- Why did you leave your last job did you resign or were you sacked?
- Would you be upset if your boss was a woman?
- Would you consider the military as a career choice? Why or why not?
- Would you consider yourself to be an ambitious person at work?
- Would you describe yourself as a workaholic?
- Would you like a job in which you traveled a lot?
- Would you like a job that required you to sit at a computer all day?
- Would you like to do the same job for the rest of your life?
- Would you like to work in an office? Why or why not?
- Would you rather be a doctor or a banker?
- Would you rather work inside or outside?