

When I grow up...

Skills:

Can describe dreams, hopes and ambitions

Teens 12-15

Group



1 Read the words and phrases, and discuss their meaning with your teacher.

pay attention to small details

organized

friendly

creative

curious

patient

calm under stress

After that, look at the list of professions. What characteristics does each professional from the list need? Write 1-3 suitable words/phrases from above next to each profession. Share it with your partners, like in the example:

- teacher
- doctor
- manager
- programmer

- writer
- blogger
- baby sitter
- accountant

Example:

I think a teacher should be ...

2 Read the text. What does James want to be when he grows up? Why?

When I grow up, I want to be a designer. A designer makes things look good and work well. There are many kinds of designers. Some make clothes, and they are called fashion designers. Others make cool websites, and they are called web designers. Some designers make fun video games, and they are known as game designers. I like to draw and create new things. I can use colors, shapes, and patterns to make my ideas come to life. I also enjoy solving problems and helping people. As a designer, I can do both!

I want to learn more about design when I'm in school. I will take art classes and learn about computers. Maybe, I will even make my own website or design a game. There are many tools that designers use, like pencils, paints, and computer programs. I think it would be fun to learn how to use all of them.

When I grow up, I want to make the world a more beautiful and exciting place. Being a designer lets me do that. I can't wait to see what I will create!

Answer the questions:

1. What does James enjoy doing?

- a. Playing video games
- b. Listening to music.
- c. Drawing and creating new things
- d. Watching movies.

2. What's James's motivation for becoming a designer?

- a. He wants to make a lot of money.
- b. He wants to make the world a more beautiful place.
- c. He wants to be famous.
- d. He wants to work in the computer industry.

What do they do?

game designers
web designers
fashion designers



3. What best describes James future career plans?

- a. Becoming a fashion designer
- b. Becoming a web designer
- c. Becoming a game designer
- d. Becoming a designer in general

3 Look at this list of unusual jobs and match each job with its description. Which job from the list would you like to try? Why?

professional cuddlers

professional mermaids

fortune cookie writer

professional food taster

professional sleeper

panda nanny

professional Netflix watcher

1. a person who writes the messages inside fortune cookies.
2. someone who watches Netflix shows and movies for work.
3. someone who gets paid to sleep.
4. people who dress up as mermaids for events or shows.
5. someone who tries different foods to see if they taste good.
6. people who hug others for a job.
7. a person who takes care of pandas.

4 Discuss with your partner. Be ready to report your partner's answers to the class.

1. What job would you like to have in the future?
2. What skills do you think are important for your future profession?
3. How do you decide what job you want to do in the future?
4. Are there any professions that you definitely don't want to do?
5. What is more important: to enjoy your job or to earn a lot of money?

Correct answers

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Part 1. Made in “Essential Vocabulary”.

Part 2. Inspired by “Lead-in Activities”

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Made in “Create a Text” and “ABCD Questions”.

1. c, 2. b, 3. d

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Made in “Essential vocabulary” + “Word-Definition Matching”.

1. fortune cookie writer
2. professional Netflix watcher
3. professional sleeper
4. professional mermaids
5. professional food taster
6. professional cuddlers
7. panda nanny

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Made in the “Discussion Questions” tool.