10 A working life

Glossary

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- 10.1 entrepreneur (n) /ɒntrəprəˈnɜː/
 sb who sets up a business The entrepreneur started a successful budget airline company.
 ♦ der/die Unternehmer/-in
- **10.2** unpaid (adj) /_i∧n'peid/ done without receiving payment • *His employer expected him to work unpaid overtime.* > payment (n), pay (v)
 ♦ unbezahlte/r/s ♥ Opp: paid

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- 10.3 the big picture (expr) /ðə big 'piktʃə(r)/ the situation as a whole, not just the details
 Before you accept the job, look at the big picture of whether you'll be making a difference in other people's lives.
 \$ das große Ganze
- set (adj) /set/ steady; fixed • As an office worker, he has a set working day of eight hours. ➤ set (v)
 feste/r/s
- air traffic controller (n) /,eə træfık kən'trəʊlə(r)/
 sb who guides aircraft pilots by radio during landing and take-off The air traffic controller advised the pilot to land at another airport.
 ♦ der Fluglotse/die Fluglotsin
- **10.6** graphic designer (n) /'græfɪk dɪ'zaɪnə(r)/ an artist who designs images for books, websites, etc. ● *The graphic designer created the logo for our website.* ◆ der/die Grafikdesigner/-in
- 10.7 human resources manager (n) /,hjuːmən rɪ'sɔːsız 'mænɪdʒə(r)/ a person in charge of dealing with matters related to a company's employees The human resources manager chose six people to interview for the job. ◆ der/die Personalleiter/-in Syn: personnel manager
- 10.8 electrical engineer (n) /I,lektrIkl end3I'nI∂(r)/ sb who designs and builds electrical equipment and systems • As an electrical engineer, you could be offered a post where you get to test systems for rockets and satellites!
 ♦ der/die Elektroingenieur/-in

- 10.9 bewildering (adj) /br'wrldərıŋ/ confusing ● When I first started learning to code, it seemed like a bewildering mass of symbols. > bewildered (adj), bewilderment (n), bewilder (v) ◆ verwirrende/r/s
- 10.10 on the cusp (expr) /bn ðə k∧sp/ at the time or point where a state or situation changes and becomes sth else • She was on the cusp of completing her degree course and entering the world of work. ❖ kurz davor
- align (v) /ə'laɪn/
 be compatible with; match He prefers to work for a company that aligns with his ideas of social justice and fair play. ➤ alignment (v)
 in Einklang bringen mit (phr)
- 10.12 strategically (adv) /strə'ti:dʒɪkli/ in a planned way ● *If you plan your studies strategically, spreading the work throughout the school year, you'll be more relaxed in the exams.* ➤ strategy (n), strategic (adj) ◆ strategisch
- **10.14** absorbing (adj) /əb'zɔ:bɪŋ/ holding your interest ● *The book was so* absorbing that I lost track of the time and read it till the end. > absorb (v), absorption (n)
 ☆ fesseInde/r/s
- 10.15 commitment (n) /kə'mītmənt/ a responsibility to do sth ● *I can't go to evening classes because I have another commitment. I'm looking after my aunt's children.* > commit (v) ◆ die Verpflichtung
- **10.16** place faith in (expr) /pleis feiθ in/ trust in; rely on ● Should you place faith in an agency to find you a job when you could be contacting companies directly? � (jdm./etw.) Vertrauen schenken [®] Also: put (your) faith in
- 10.17 buzzing (adj) /'b∧zɪŋ/ lively; full of activity and noise • He enjoyed the buzzing atmosphere of the street market.
 > buzz (n, v) ◆ geschäftige/r/s

- 10.18 content (adj) /kən'tent/ happy with life ● He felt content working from home as he could spend time with his family.
 > content (n, v) \$ zufriedene/r/s
- 10.19 career path (n) /kə'rɪə pɑ:θ/ the jobs and training sb does to build a career
 Nick decided to leave the family business and follow his own career path as a musician.
 ☆ die berufliche Laufbahn (exp)
- enthusiasm (n) /ɪn'θjuːziæzm/ sth that you feel passionate about or very interested in ● Art and music are her main enthusiasms. >> enthusiastic (adj), enthusiastically (adv) � die Begeisterungsfähigkeit, die Begeisterung
- 10.22 aptitude (n) /'æptɪtju:d/ a natural talent for doing sth ● All applicants for the course will need to take an aptitude test to assess their skill levels. > apt (adj), aptly (adv) ◆ die Begabung
- 10.23 intern (n) /'Int3:n/ a student or graduate who has a temporary work experience post ● Anna worked as an intern in a newspaper office while studying journalism. >> internship (n) ◆ der/die Praktikant/-in
- 10.24 shadow (v) /'ʃædəʊ/ stay close to and observe sb who is doing a job that you want to learn to do ● As an intern, she had to shadow the team of architects.
 > shadow (n) � (jdm.) über die Schulter blicken (exp)
- 10.25 first-hand (adj) /ˌfɜːst 'hænd/ directly; from personal experience • Sally studied recent teaching theories and also got first-hand experience teaching adults.
 * praktische/r/s
- 10.26 necessity (n) /nə'sesəti/ sth that needs to be done or that sb must have
 There's no necessity for you to dress formally when you work from home.
 > necessary (adj), necessitate (v)
 ♦ die Notwendigkeit
- **10.27** priority (n) /prar'orəti/ sth that sb considers more important or needs more attention than other things ● *Her top* priority was to find a career she would enjoy.
 > prioritise (v) ◆ die Priorität
- 10.28 usefulness (n) /'ju:sflnəs/ the fact of how useful sth is ● He questioned the usefulness of the survey because the group of respondents was small. > useful (adj), usefully (adv) ◆ die Nützlichkeit

10.29 genuinely (adv) /'denjuInli/ seriously • I felt genuinely moved by your offer of help. > genuine (adj) ★ aufrichtige/r/s (adj)

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- 10.30 vacancy (n) /'veɪkənsi/ an available job ● There is a vacancy at the local supermarket that I think I will apply for.
 > vacant (adj) ◆ die freie Stelle (phr)
- administrator (n) /ədˈmɪnɪstreɪtə(r)/ sb who is in charge of a business, an office, etc. • Having years of experience, he was given the job of administrator in the sales team. ➤ administer (v), administration (n)
 ♦ der/die Sachbearbeiter/-in
- 10.32 supplier (n) /sə'plaɪə(r)/
 a person or company who provides goods
 I ordered shoes online, directly from the supplier. > supply (n, v) & der/die Lieferant/-in
- **10.33** agency (n) /'eɪdʒənsi/
 a business that provides a service for other people or companies *The hotel hires* seasonal workers through a recruitment agency. > agent (n) � die Agentur
- 10.34 issue (v) /'I∫u:/ give out sth officially • When he lost his credit card, he asked the bank to issue a new one. > issue (n) ◆ ausstellen
- 10.35 sick leave (n) /sik li:v/ time you take off work because you are ill
 When Aldo caught the flu, he had to take a few days' sick leave. * der krankheitsbedingte Arbeitsausfall (phr)
- 10.36 recruitment (n) /rɪ'kru:tmənt/ the process of finding and hiring new staff
 As chief editor, she is involved in staff recruitment to expand the team.
 die Personalbeschaffung
- 10.37 personnel (n) /,p3:sə'nel/ staff ● The human resources manager is in charge of hiring or firing company personnel.
 ☆ das Personal
- **10.38** statistical (adj) /stə'tɪstɪkl/ related to statistics ● We need statistical data to back up our theory. ➤ statistics (n pl), statistically (adv) ❖ statistische/r/s
- 10.39 right (n) /raɪt/ sth you are legally allowed to do or have *Fair working conditions should be a basic human right.* ♦ das Recht
- 10.40 let down (phr v) /'let daon/ disappoint ● The suppliers let us down and failed to deliver the goods on time. > let-down (n) ♦ im Stich lassen (exp)

- **10.41** stationery (n) /'steɪʃənri/ paper, pens, envelopes, etc. that are used for writing letters, taking notes, etc. • We order stationery for the office once a month from an online supplier. ◆ das Büromaterial
- 10.42 literary (adj) /'Iɪtərəri/ related to literature ● Debbie is studying the literary works of Jane Austen. >> literature (n)
 ☆ literarische/r/s
- 10.43 hectic (adj) /'hektɪk/ very busy and rushed ● How do you manage to cope with your hectic work schedule? Don't you get a day off? ♦ hektische/r/s
- 10.44 minimum wage (n) /,miniməm 'weidʒ/ the lowest amount an employer can pay a worker by law ● He felt lucky to find his first job even though he only got the minimum wage.
 ☆ der Mindestlohn
- 10.45 placement (n) /'pleIsmənt/ a work position for a short time to practise doing a job, often as part of a training course
 In his final year at university, he did a teaching placement in a secondary school.
 > place (v) ♦ das Praktikum
- 10.46 résumé (n) /'rezjuːmeɪ/ a record of work experience, qualifications and skills, etc. which sb uses to apply for work
 From the details on her résumé, she was obviously well-qualified for the job in the bank.
 ♦ der Lebenslauf
 Also: CV (Curriculum Vitae)
- 10.47 supervisor (n) /'suːpəvaɪzə(r)/ sb who manages a work process or a team of staff ● Feeling dizzy, Helen asked her supervisor for a break. > supervise (v), supervision (n) ◆ der/die Vorgesetzte
- 10.48 tedious (adj) /'ti:diəs/ boring and repetitive ● The conference consisted of long tedious presentations, making me wish I hadn't bothered going.
 > tedium, tediousness (n), tediously (adv)
 * langwierige/r/s
- 10.49 textile (n) /'tekstaIl/ cloth; material ● Cotton is grown and harvested for the textile industry.
 ♦ die Textilie
- 10.50 retire (v) /rɪ'taɪə/ stop working, usually because you reach a certain age ● My grandfather retired from his job at 65, but still keeps busy doing voluntary work. ➤ retirement, retiree (n), retired (adj)
 in Rente gehen (exp)

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10.52 promotion (n) /prə'məʊʃn/ a move to a more important job in a company or organisation ● Petra was pleased about her promotion from sales assistant to store manager. >> promote (v) ◆ die Beförderung

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- 10.53 candidate (n) /'kændɪdeɪt/ sb who is being considered for a job or place on a course ● We'll interview the four best candidates for the job. ❖ der/die Kandidat/-in
- **10.54** marketing (n) /'mɑ:kɪtɪŋ/ the business of advertising and selling a company's products ● *If you enjoy travelling and are a good communicator, you could consider a career in marketing.* ◆ das Marketing
- **10.55 executive** (n) /ɪg'zekjətɪv/ a business official/representative • *The company executives are having a planning meeting with the manager.* ***** die Führungskraft

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- 10.56 glance (at) (v) /glɑːns (æt)/ look at sb/sth quickly ● He glanced at the list of job vacancies on the website. >> glance (n)
 ♦ einen Blick werfen (auf)
- 10.57 trip (v) /trip/ accidentally catch your foot on sth and fall or nearly fall ● When he tripped on the stairs, he fell and hurt his leg. > trip (n) ♦ stolpern
- 10.58 cable (n) /'keɪbl/ a strong thick metal rope which acts as a power line ● The road has been dug up to install new electric cables. ❖ das Kabel
- 10.59 co-operative (n) /kəʊ'bpərətɪv/

 a business owned jointly by the people involved, who share its profits We buy olive oil directly from the farmers' co-operative.
 > co-operative (adj), co-operatively (adv)
 dipoperative operative of the farmers o
 - ♦ die Genossenschaft Schubrev: co-op

- 10.60 loan (n) /ləʊn/ money that sb borrows ● He got a loan from the bank to buy a car. ◆ das Darlehen
- 10.61 crop (n) /krop/ a plant grown on farms for food production
 The heavy storm destroyed this year's vegetable crops. ♦ die Nutzpflanze

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- 10.62 do the dirty work (expr) /du: ðə ,d3:ti 'w3:k/ do the unpleasant tasks As manager, he has to do the dirty work of firing people.
 ♦ die Drecksarbeit machen
- 10.63 do the donkey work (expr) /duː ðə ¦dɒŋki 'wɜːk/ do the difficult or heavy part of a job ● She sits around chatting all day while we do all the donkey work. It's not fair! ❖ die Sklavenarbeit erledigen
- 10.64 get worked up (expr) /get ,w3:kt '∧p/ become upset • Don't get so worked up about it! Let's calm down and discuss the problem.
 ♦ sich aufregen
- 10.65 make light work of (expr) /meɪk laɪt wɜːk əv/ do sth quickly and easily ● *If you help me, we can make light work of cleaning the house.* ♦ leicht von der Hand gehen
- 10.66 work in progress (expr) /,w3:k In 'pr∂ogres/ a job that isn't completed yet

 The company website is still a work in progress.
 ♦ laufende Arbeiten
- 10.67 work my way up (expr) /,w3tk mai wei ∧p/ begin work in a low position in a company and keep getting promoted to higher levels • Sarah had to work her way up from cleaning dishes to head chef. ❖ sich hocharbeiten
- 10.68 incapable (adj) /ɪn'keɪpəbl/ not capable; not having the ability or qualities necessary for sth ● He has no leadership skills, so he's incapable of running the company. ❖ unfähige/r/s So Opp: capable
- **10.69** accustomed (adj) /ə'k∧stəmd/ used to sth • He used to have a private office, so he's not accustomed to sharing a room with others. ◆ gewohnte/r/s So Opp: unaccustomed
- 10.70 horrified (adj) /'horrfaɪd/ deeply shocked ● I was horrified to hear about the working conditions in the clothing factory.
 > horrific (adj), horrify (v) ◆ entsetzte/r/s
- eligible (adj) /'elrdʒəbl/ qualified or able to do sth ● You need a degree in engineering to be eligible to apply for the job. ➤ eligibility (n) � geeignete/r/s, qualifizierte/r/s, berechtigte/r/s
 Opp: ineligible

- 10.72 derive from sth (phr v) /dɪ'raɪv frəm 'sʌmθɪŋ/ come from The plot of the musical derives from the story of Romeo and Juliet.
 > derivative (n) ♦ stammen von etw., ableiten von etw.
- 10.73 reliance (n) /rr'laɪəns/ dependence on sb/sth ● *It's useful to have a* range of skills to avoid reliance on just one line of work. ➤ rely (v), reliable, reliant (adj)
 ♦ die Abhängigkeit
- 10.74 flexible (adj) /'fleksibl/
 which can be changed easily The company offers flexible working hours, which may benefit workers with young children.
 > flexibility (n) ◆ flexible/r/s
- **10.75** approach (n) /ə'prəʊtʃ/ a way of thinking about or doing sth ● Our new manager has a very logical approach to dealing with problems. ➤ approach (v)
 ❖ die Herangehensweise
- 10.76 digital nomad (n) /'dɪdʒɪtl 'nəʊmæd/ sb who can travel around and work online from any location ● Amanda left her office job in London and became a digital nomad working from her camper van around the world.
 > nomadic (adj) ◆ der digitale Nomade/die digitale Nomadin
- 10.77 decent (adj) /'diːsnt/ acceptable; not bad • I don't mind doing tedious work as long as they give me a decent salary. >> decency (n) ♦ anständige/r/s
- **10.78** set (yourself) up as (phr v) /set (jɔː'self) ∧p əz/ declare and establish yourself as • *The travel agency has set itself up as an ecotourism specialist.* � (sich) deklarieren als
- 10.79 visa (n) /'vi:zə/

 a proof of official permission to enter or stay in
 a foreign country UK residents require a visa
 if they wish to stay more than 90 days in the
 EU. ◆ das Visum
- 10.80 follow suit (expr) /'foləʊ su:t/ do sth the way that sb else has just done
 When one supermarket chain began giving out loyalty cards, all the others followed suit.
 ☆ (es jdm.) gleichtun

Expressions

at your convenience do the dirty work do the donkey work follow suit get worked up make light work of on the cusp place faith in (sb/sth) set yourself up as take advantage of work in progress work my way up

Work nouns

agency	duty	recruitment
career path	leadership skills	reference
careers fair	loan	résumé
commitment	marketing	right
committee	minimum wage	sick leave
co-operative	placement	vacancy
crop	promotion	visa

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- 10.81 yours faithfully (expr) /jɔ:z 'feɪθfəli/ with respect; the standard most formal ending for a letter before signing it when you have addressed somebody as 'Dear Sir/Dear Madam,' etc. and not by their name ● *It's respectful to end business letters with 'yours faithfully'.* ◆ Hochachtungsvoll
- **10.82** yours sincerely (expr) /jɔ:z sɪn'sɪəli/ with respect; the standard most formal ending for a letter before signing it when you have addressed the recipient by their name ● My friend would think something was wrong if I sent her an email ending 'yours sincerely'.
 ♦ Mit freundlichen Grüßen
- 10.83 careers fair (n) /kəˈrɪəz feə(r)/ a type of exhibition where jobhunters can meet employers who are recruiting staff
 The university is hosting a careers fair for graduates to meet potential employers.
 \$ die Berufsmesse
- 10.84 at your convenience (expr) /æt jɔ: kən'vi:ni:əns/ as soon as you prefer or can ● Please send us your résumé at your earliest convenience.
 > convenient (adj) ◆ bei Gelegenheit
- 10.85 grant (n) /grα:nt/ money you get from the government to study
 She received a small grant to pay for part of her studies. ♦ das Stipendium
- **10.86** outcome (n) /'aʊtkʌm/ result ● *It is hoped the outcome of the Mars mission will be a success.* ◆ das Ergebnis
- 10.87 fulfilling (adj) /fʊlˈfɪlɪŋ/ which makes you feel useful and satisfies your needs ● He's happy with his fulfilling job as a music teacher. ➤ fulfil (v), fulfilment (n)
 ♦ erfüllende/r/s

- **10.88** academic (adj) /ækə'demīk/ related to education and studying ● Her academic record improved after taking extra tutorials. ➤ academic, academy (n)
 ♦ schulische/r/s, akademische/r/s
- 10.89 take advantage of (expr) /terk əd'va:ntrd; əv/ make the most of an opportunity to do sth
 They took advantage of the sunny weather and spent a few days camping.
 ☆ ausnutzen
- 10.90 duty (n) /'dju:ti/ a responsibility, especially of a job ● One of her duties at the summer camp was to supervise the children during outings.
 ♦ die Pflicht
- 10.91 committee (n) /kə'mīti/ an official group set up to perform a task or make decisions ● She's our class representative on the students' committee.
 ♦ das Komitee
- 10.92 reference (n) /'refrəns/ a letter with information about you, written by sb who knows you, especially to a new employer ● My English tutor wrote me a reference to help me get a place on the summer course. ➤ refer (v) ❖ die Referenz, das Empfehlungsschreiben
- 10.93 leadership skills (n pl) /'li:də∫ıp skılz/ qualities that make sb a good leader ● A team coach needs to have great leadership skills.
 ♦ die Führungsqualitäten
- 10.94 extra-curricular (adj) /,ekstrəkə'rıkjələ(r)/ outside the usual school timetable Some students take part in so many extra-curricular activities that they have little or no free time.

 außerschulische/r/s
 Opp: curricular

Adjectives

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- 10.95 gaucho (n) /ˈɡaʊtʃəʊ/ a South American cowboy ● *Gauchos drive cattle on the pampas.* ◆ der Gaucho/die Gaucha
- 10.96 freak out (phr v) /fri:k aʊt/ suddenly feel shocked; become angry ● The boss will freak out when she sees the damage to the company car. ◆ ausflippen

- **10.97** passage (n) /'pæsiʤ/ a road or path through a space between two high places ● They followed the narrow track through the passage in the rocks.
 ♦ die Passage
- 10.98 run over (phr v) /r∧n 'əʊvə(r)/ hit sb/sth with a car, bus, lorry, etc. • I dropped my phone on the road and it's been run over by a bus. ◆ überfahren
- **10.99** videographer (n) /,vɪdi'bgrəfə(r)/ sb whose job is to make videos ● *The* videographer captured the traditional dancers on film. ◆ der Kameramann/die Kamerafrau, der/die Filmemacher/-in

Phrasal verbs

derive from sth freak out let (sb) down run over

People and jobs

administrator air traffic controller applicant candidate digital nomad electrical engineer entrepreneur executive gaucho graphic designer human resources manager personnel supervisor supplier