

UNIT 2: Student Life: Plans for the future



- Objectives:**
1. Obtaining vocabularies about life now and work
 2. Reading about horoscopes for job selection
 3. Practicing the language used of present perfect tense

Vocabulary: About work

- Job** <n> the work that you do regularly in order to earn money, especially when you work for an employer
- work** <n> work that someone does regularly to earn money, either by working for an employer or working for themselves
- career** <n> the type of work that you do for most of your working life, which involves several similar jobs over a long period of time

EXPRESSIONS

- get a job** Ted got a job as a bartender.
- find a job** Her son still hasn't been able to find a job.
(= get a job after trying to get a lot of different jobs)
- look for a job** She's looking for a job in the music business.
(= try to get one)
- hold a job** If a woman is qualified, she should hold any job in government she wants.
(= have a job)
- part-time job** I had a part-time job while I was in college.
(= when you work less than the usual number of hours each week)

- look for work** Lena graduated from college six months ago and she's still looking for work.
(= to try to get work)
- find work** He eventually found work as a laborer on a construction site.
(= to get work)
- at work** Her mother tried to call her at home and then at work.
(= at the place where you work)

- career in** I wanted to find out more about careers in publishing.

A. Choose the correct words to complete the sentences.

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| 1. Many film stars had very different _____ before they started their acting _____. | a) jobs | b) works |
| 2. Madonna hated her _____ at a donut shop, but she needed a _____ | a) careers | b) jobs |
| 3. Brad Pitt had a _____ as a dancing chicken outside a restaurant before he began his _____ as an actor. | a) career | b) work |
| 4. Tom Cruise was thinking of a _____ in the church before finding _____ in the movies. | a) job | b) work |
| | a) career | b) job |
| | a) career | b) job |
| | a) career | b) work |
| | a) job | b) work |

B. Complete the sentences in Column X with a phrase from column Y.

Column X

- At the donut shop, Madonna was **in charge**
- She was **fired**
- Brad Pitt used to **work**
- When he was young, he was often **out**
- For a time, Tom Cruise **earned**
- He was **responsible**

Column Y

- of work.
- as a model.
- for cleaning the tables.
- from the job.
- of the coffee machine.
- a living in a New York restaurant.

C. From exercise B, summarize the expressions about work by filling in the blank.

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| 1. in charge _____ | 4. out _____ |
| 2. fire _____ | 5. earn _____ |
| 3. work _____ | 6. Responsible _____ |

Reading: The star and horoscope



21 Mar – 20 Apr

When they stop thinking about themselves, they are excellent managers.

Well-organized and with very good people skills, they need to learn a bit more patience.



22 Jun – 23 Jul

They seem calm and organized, but Cancers have a secret sensitivity. Look after them well, and they will look after you.



21 Apr – 21 May

Not the most imaginative people in the world, but they are the best people to have near you if you are looking for action. When they do things, they do them well.



24 July – 23 Aug

Strong, patient and skilled, Leos want to be boss –and they often are. They have great ambition, but be careful of them if they do not get what they want.



22 May – 21 Jun

Their independence is important to them and they work better on their own than in a team. Lots of imagination and ideas, but they get bored quickly.



24 Aug – 23 Sep

They often live for their work and they are not very emotional people. They learn quickly and do not need a lot of help. Calm, but sometimes too calm.



24 Sep – 23 Oct

Librans are a happy balance of many opposites; imagination and hard work, patience and speed. They are liked by other people.



24 Oct – 22 Nov

Their main strength is their ability to change. With their natural intelligence, they understand situations quickly and know what to do next.



23 Nov – 21 Dec

Honest and straightforward in the way they work, but when things don't go well, they can get worried. Patient and kind with other people.



22 Dec – 20 Jan

Naturally skilled managers, they are independent and strong. They are more sensitive than they seem and they are good listeners.



21 Jan – 19 Feb

They like their work and they enjoy working with other people. They do not usually show their emotions. Quite ambitious, but they make good friends.



20 Feb – 20 Mar

Intelligent and imaginative they have good people skills, but they find it difficult to make important decisions.

D. Complete the table with words from the horoscope.

Definition	Adjectives	Nouns
wants to be successful	1) _____	ambition
shows strong feelings	2) _____	emotion(s)
can create new ideas	imaginative	3) _____
does not need other people	4) _____	independent
can understand things quickly	intelligent	5) _____
does not mind waiting	patient	6) _____
has special abilities	skilled	7) _____
can understand what other people are feeling	8) _____	sensitivity

E. Choose the correct word from the table above to complete the sentences

1. She hasn't got a lot of p_____.
2. She's extremely s_____.
3. She's got a lot of i_____.
4. She's probably too a_____.
5. She's very e_____.
6. She's very i_____.

F) Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

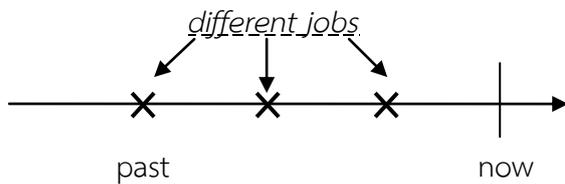
horoscope	manager	experience	charge	responsible	get
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1. Have you ever been in _____ of other people?
 - a) Yes, I was _____ for a team of five people in my last job.
 - b) No, I haven't. I've never been a _____.
2. Why do you think you should _____ this job?
 - a) My _____ said this was my lucky day.
 - b) I think I have the right _____ and personal qualities.

Language Used: Present Perfect

We use the present perfect simple to talk about general or personal experiences.

Ex: I **have had** many different jobs.



We don't usually refer to a specific time when we use the present perfect simple. We only know that the action (or action) happened before now.

Affirmative & Negative			
	I	've haven't	work abroad
	He/ She/ It	's hasn't	
	You/ We/ They	've haven't	
Question			
Where	have	I	work abroad?
	has	he/ she/ it	
	have	you/ we/ they	
Short Answer			
Have you work abroad?	Yes, I have./ No, I haven't.		
Has he worked abroad?	Yes, he has./ No, he hasn't.		

already & yet

We can use present perfect simple with already and yet.

: 'already' in positive sentences

- I've already found a job.
- She's already finished her studies.

: 'yet' in question and negative sentences

- Have you read your horoscope yet?
- I haven't checked the mailbox yet.

We often use 'ever' and 'never' to talk about our experiences.

We use 'ever' in questions when we want to ask about a person's life up to the present time.

- Have you ever worked in a restaurant? (= at any time in your life?)
- Have you ever met anyone famous? Yes, I've met Rafael Nadal.
- I've never visited England.

F. Complete the sentences. Put the verbs in the brackets into the present perfect simple.

1. She _____ (apply) for the senior manager's job, but she doesn't have much experience.
2. She _____ (be) very stressed at work and she gets angry very quickly.
3. She _____ (already/ leave) –she hates waiting.
4. She _____ (do) lots of different training courses, so she can do almost anything in the office now.
5. She _____ (never/ need) to ask for help from the boss.
6. She _____ (think) of some unusual new ways to recruit staff.

G. Put the verbs in the brackets into the past simple or the present perfect simple.

A: _____ you ever _____ (hear) of Thomas Mapother IV?

B: No, I _____ (never/ hear) of him. Who is he?

A: He's an actor. He _____ (make) loads of famous films.

B: Well, I _____ (never/ see) a film with him in it.

A: what about *Mission Impossible*? It was on TV last night. _____ you _____ (see) it?

B: Yes, but that _____ (be) with Tom Cruise.

A: Ah, but Thomas Mapother IV is Tom Cruise's real name. He _____ (change) it before he got famous.

H. Complete the sentences. Put the verbs in brackets into the present perfect simple or the past simple. Then, match the sentences to one of the jobs in the box.

Actor	Chauffeur	Engineer	Journalist	Model	Nurse	Teacher	Waitress
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1. I _____ (drive) the president to the airport yesterday.

2. I _____ (not/ give) him his medicine yet.

3. I _____ (be) on the cover of three different women's magazine.

4. I _____ (make) six films but I usually work in the theatre.

5. I _____ (never/ have) a customer who was so hungry.

6. In my last job, I _____ (work) for the company that is building a bridge over the river.

7. Last week, I _____ (write) an article about the salaries of top businessmen.

8. You are the best student that I _____ (ever/ have)!