#### Work

### The job market

Complete the sentences with the words below.

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  - 1. If you do a work placement, you are a trainee / trainer.
  - 2. The American word for stagiaire is a boarder / an intern.
  - 3. A lawyer has a diploma / degree.
  - **4.** If someone is hired for a year, it is a **fixed-term / permanent** contract.

- A Complete the sentences with the words below.
  - 1. Workers who have no qualifications are unskilled.
  - 2. He started in the company as an apprentice.
  - 3. He is an engineer. He has several qualifications.
  - 4. If you are hired on a six-month contract, it is a **fixed-term** contract.
  - 5. If you are not hired for a temporary period, it is a **permanent** contract.
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#### **Working hours**

A Complete the sentences, using the words and the symbols.

part-time • full-time • overtime • flexible

• + •	I have to workto meet demand. I have a decent pay.
•	2. I have ajob. I usually work 40 hours a week.
•	3. I am divorced and I can't afford to work I need to pay my rent and utility bills.
-/-/-	4. I didn't want a nine-to-five job. I wantedhours to be able to do what I wanted.

B Complete the sentences with the words below.

afford • income • pay • salary • wage • wages

- 2. They can't ..... to buy a house. It's too expensive.
- 3. The company plans to raise ...... for its workers.
- **4.** What is the minimum .....in your country?
- 5. He is well-paid. He earns a high .....
- 6. I got a .....rise last month.

A Complete the sentences, using the words and the symbols.

• + •	1. I have to work <b>overtime</b> to meet demand. I have a decent pay.
•	2. I have a <b>full-time</b> job. I usually work 40 hours a week.
•	<ol><li>I am divorced and I can't afford to work part-time. I need to pay my rent and utility bills.</li></ol>
-/-/-	<ol> <li>I didn't want a nine-to-five job. I wanted flexible hours to be able to do what I wanted.</li> </ol>

B Complete the sentences with the words below.

- 1. They are on a low income. They find it difficult to make ends meet.
- 2. They can't afford to buy a house. It's too expensive.
- 3. The company plans to raise wages for its workers.
- 4. What is the minimum wage in your country?
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## **Teleworking**

Read the stories. What do these people think of teleworking? Tick ☺ or ☺.     Highlight the words that helped you decide.		
	1. There are plenty of advantages. I avoid the daily commute that would take me two hours a day on packed trains.	
	2. You work all the time even at weekends. You work long hours and you check your emails as soon as you wake up. I prefer a nine-to-five job.	
	3. There's pressure from your boss to answer emails. It's difficult not to read your emails. You never switch off. The working week never ends.	
	4. I have to meet deadlines and working from home forces me to be very disciplined. I sometimes work late at night, but I like the freedom it gives me.	
□ <sup>(3)</sup>	5. Working from home is easy. You only need a laptop. But it is definitely not the good option for me. I like to meet my colleagues and enjoy a drink at the cafeteria. Besides, when I get home, I switch off and I can look after my children.	

**○** Read the stories. What do these people think of teleworking? Tick ③ or ③. Highlight the words that helped you decide.

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2 points par réponse juste



#### **Unemployment**

A Complete the word maps and the sentences.



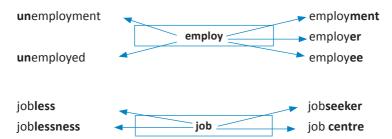
- 1. The ......rate rose by 1 percent last month. It implies that ......is on the rise. The number of ......people is higher than in September.
- B Match the words on the left with the words on the right. Then complete the sentences.
  - 1. axed
- •
- a. sacked

- 2. laid off
- •
- b. jobless

fired

- c. made redundant
- 4. out of work
- d. cut
- 1. Hundreds of jobs were ...... Hundreds of workers were .....
- 2. He was ......last week. He is out of work now.
- 3. The unemployment rate has risen. The number of ...... people is higher.

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- 1. The unemployment rate rose by 1 percent last month. It implies that joblessness is on the rise. The number of unemployed people is higher than in September.
- A job centre is an employment agency. Jobseekers go there to look at the ads and apply for jobs.
- B Match the words on the left with the words on the right. Then complete the sentences.



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