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## Complete these sentences with the correct idiom(s)

1.My sister's been doing a good job, so sh	uje's for a
promotion at her company.	
2.I need a new computer I've been	at different stores.
3. He's lost a lot of money gambling, so he's	a lot of debt.
4.아이구! I really think I've	Last week I lost my job
and I broke up with my girlfriend.	
5. The store clerk really	I kept asking her for a
discount, but she kept saying "no".	
6.My grandparents and my parents	for my future
success.	
7. Most homeless people are barely	They just live from
day to day.	
8.The prevents a lot	of women from making any progress.
9.The economy has	because of covid-19. Small businesses
are struggling to stay open.	
10.My 2 friends have been fighting with	each other, but I'm trying not to
I just hope they can	make up soon.
11.I flew on a airl	ine called SevernUp. They didn't have
any flight attendants and didn't serve any m	eals.
12. Samsung keeps growing bigger by	smaller companies.
13.I'm on a diet now, so I'm trying to	everything I eat.
14.If my student doesn't	, he'll fail the class. He still
hasn't done any homework.	
15.Apple is now	it's new iphone13.

a.drove a hard bargain
b.flatlined
c.in line for
d.keep tabs on
e.no-frills
f.paved the way
g.plugging
h.racked up
iget his act together
j.scraping by
k.shopping around
l.take sides
m.hit rock bottom'
n.buying out
O. O. C.S.S. Ceiling

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Write the meanings for these idioms in English

(Check <u>www.yahoo.com</u>) (Type in Learn 20 English idioms and slang with native speakers in L.A.) (19 mins.37 secs.)

### WATCH AND LISTEN

1.out of this world

2.get to

3.as opposed to

4.move on

5.you can't go wrong

6.to go

7.pop up

8.(to grow by)leaps and bounds

9.born and raised

10.I can't take it

11.phenomenal

12.kick

13.signature

14.hors d'oeuvre

15.the place to be

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UNIT 2

# Finding Work That Is Right For You

Have you decided on the work that is right for you? How do you know it's right for you? Below is a list of things people consider when they are thinking about what kind of work they want to do.

Next to each idea on the list, write the first job you think of. (For example, if you wanted to make a lot of money, what work would you do?)

- making a lot of money
   helping other people directly
- 3. doing a job that requires physical strength
- 4. doing similar tasks each day
- 5. taking long vacations
- 6. taking risks as part of my work
- 7. traveling much of my working time
- 8. working primarily for myself
- 9. having job security
- 10. being creative

Now discuss the answers to these questions with your classmates.

- 1. Read your answers aloud and listen as your classmates read their answers aloud. Did any of your classmates' answers surprise you? (For example, are there jobs that pay a lot of money in some countries but not in others?)
- 2. Are there any jobs on your list that you have done or are thinking about doing?
- 3. Of all the factors above, which one is most important to you in choosing work?

In this unit, you will read about firefighters who survived the World Trade Center collapse and who still believe that they made the right career choice. Next, you will read about a girl who discovered what she loved to do when she was 12 years old. Finally, you will read the advice of a man who believes he knows the secret to finding work that is right for you.

# The Greatest Job in the World

- On September 11, 2001, hundreds of New York City firefighters rushed into the burning World Trade Center. That day, 343 firefighters lost their lives trying to save others. This is the story of six who survived.
- On the morning of September 11, these six firefighters reported for duty at their firehouse in downtown New York. At 9:46 A.M., they got the call. A plane had just hit the North Tower of the World Trade Center, just a few blocks away. The men arrived at the tower within minutes. As they waited in the lobby for orders from their captain, John Jonas, they heard a rumble and then an explosion. A second plane had hit the South Tower. In the windows of a building across the street, they saw the reflection of the explosion. Firefighter Sal D'Agostino turned to the man next to him. "This is not going to be good," he said.
- Captain Jonas figured the fire had probably spread down to the 80th floor. He and his men would have to climb 80 flights of stairs with 110 pounds of equipment on their backs. They entered a stairwell and started to walk up.
- The stairwell was narrow, allowing only two people to pass at a time. On one side of the stairwell, there was a long line of people walking down. On the other side of the stairwell, there was a long line of firefighters walking up. The people descending the stairs encouraged the firefighters. "God bless you, firemen," they said. "Take care . . . Go get 'em . . . Good luck."
- 5 By the time the firefighters got to the 27th floor, there were no longer any people going down the stairs. Captain Jonas told his men to stop and catch their breath. They still had more than 50 floors to go. Then, while pausing in the stairwell, they heard another rumble—the sound of the South Tower going

down. Captain Jonas looked at his men and said, "If that one can go, this one can go. Time to go."

The firefighters began their descent. At 6 the 14th floor, they met Josephine, a 60-year-old woman who had walked down from the 73rd floor. She was so tired, she could barely take another step. At the rate she was going, it would take her hours to get out of the building.

Captain Jonas told Bill Butler, the 7 strongest man in the group, to help the woman. "Josephine," Bill said, "we're going to get you out of here today."

The firefighters were in a race against 8 time. The South Tower had collapsed, and they feared the North Tower might soon follow. Sal D'Agostino remembers looking at the numbers that marked each floor and thinking, "All right, I'm on eight, I'm on seven, I want out of this building now. Let's go." The men encouraged Josephine to move faster. They asked her questions about her family, and they kept telling her, "Josephine, your kids and your grandkids want you home today. We gotta keep moving." Urged on by the firefighters, leaning on Bill Butler, Josephine was moving as fast as she could, but she was exhausted. Her legs were giving out. Tony Falco, one of the firefighters, remembers thinking they had to move faster but adds, "We weren't going to leave her."

So Josephine and the firefighters did the **9** best they could, slowly moving down the stairwell. Then they reached the fourth floor. "That's it," Josephine said. "I can't go any more."

Captain Jonas remembers feeling "very 10 frustrated. I got all my guys in front of me. We gotta get outta here." He searched the fourth floor for a chair to carry Josephine in.

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All he could find were swiveling office chairs and some couches, and neither would work.

Then there was another rumble. The North Tower was collapsing. Firefighter Matt Komorowski remembers, "The first thing I felt was the incredible rush of air at my back." Then the building started shaking. Sal D'Agostino says, "I got on my side and I crawled to a doorway, and then I just laid there. Waiting for it to come. This is it. This is horrible, and this is it. I said a prayer."

When the rumbling finally stopped, it was pitch black, and the firefighters were covered with six inches of dust. But they were alive, scattered now in the stairwell between floors two and four. Bill Butler moved a piece of wall that had fallen near his feet. Under the wall was Josephine. She was

Josephine and the firefighters sat in the stairwell, dark as a cave, for several hours. The firefighters remained calm and, for the most part, so did Josephine. Only once she said, "I'm . . . I'm scared." In the calmest voice he could manage, Captain Jonas told her, "Look, we're all a little scared, darlin'. Just hang in there."

Then the dust and smoke began to clear, and a shaft of sunlight shone on Josephine and the firefighters. "All of a sudden," Bill Butler says, "everything cleared just for a moment. And I could see that we were at the top of this debris pile. And I thought, 'This is going to be OK. We're going to be OK

here."

One of the firefighters followed the light to a hole, climbed out, and found a rope so that he could lead the others out of the stairwell. But what about Josephine? The firefighters knew that once they left the build-

ing, they would have to cross piles of debris. Josephine wouldn't be able to walk across all the rubble, and it would be too dangerous to carry her. So, they waited with Josephine until rescuers came.

The rescuers arrived, and an hour later the 16 firefighters and Josephine were out of the ruins of the World Trade Center. The firefighters' determination to stick togetherand to stick with Josephine—had saved their lives. When Josephine refused to go any farther than the fourth floor, she kept all seven of them in the only part of the North Tower that remained intact.

A week after the collapse of the World 17 Trade Center, reporters interviewed Josephine. She described the six firefighters as "strong, brave, and caring . . . the kindest people I have ever met. When I was scared, they held my hand. They took off their jackets and gave them to me when I was cold. They told me not to be afraid, they would get me out. And they did." She added that when they were trapped in the stairwell, she thought the building was going to start moving again. One of the firefighters told her that if the building started to move again, they would put her in a doorway. And he would cover her body with his.

Reporters asked the firefighters if they 18 had any thoughts about leaving the job. All six men said they would not. Sal D'Agostino said, "I think everybody thinks about it. But I'm not going. I've got to be true to me." Matt Komorowski explained, "I think being a fireman runs through your core. And even if bad things are happening all around that core, you always have that core." Tony Falco added, "I don't think I'm going to leave. It's the greatest job in the world." •

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The Greatest Job In the World(Answer these questions)

1. What's the date of this story? Where does it take place? How many firefighters died? Who is this story about?

2. What happened at 9:46 a.m.?
Who was the firefighter's captain?
What happened while they were waiting in the lobby?
What did Sal D'Agostino say?

- 3. What would the firefighters have to do?
- 4. What did the people descending the stairwell do?

5. Who did the firefighters meet on the 14<sup>th</sup> floor? How old was she? How far had she walked? How was she doing?

- 6. Who was the strongest firefighter?
- 7. How did the firefighters encourage Josephine?
- 8. What saved the firefighters and Josephine's life?
- 9. How did Josephine describe the firefighters?
- 10.Did the firefighters have any thoughts about leaving their jobs?

## **GETTING THE BIG PICTURE**

Circle the letter of your answer.

What is the main reason the six firefighters in the story survived?

- a. The men had 110 pounds of equipment on their backs. Their equipment made it possible for them to breathe even though the air was filled with dust and smoke.
- b. The fire spread down to the 80th floor and stopped there. The firefighters did not go higher than the 27th floor.
- c. They refused to leave one another, and they refused to leave Josephine. She kept them in the only part of the building that remained intact.

## **BUILDING VOCABULARY**

#### **♦ RECALLING NEW WORDS**

figured

urged

The words below are from the story. Write the correct word or words on the line.

exhausted

	debris	trapped	scattered	pitch black	
	intact	collapse	reflection	reported for duty	
1.	The six firefighters came to work every day at 9:00 A.M., so they had just when the first plane hit the World Trade Center.				
2.		the building acros		like a mirror. The the explosion in the glass.	
3.		preads. He		rth Tower, and he knew t had probably spread	
4.		r had fallen down,		ers were afraid the North	
5.		hters met Josephins		y walked down 59 flights	
6.	"Keep moving," her to move fast		d Josephine. They		
7.	do about it. Jose		o any farther, and	ere was nothing he could I he could not find a chair	
8.		Tower collapsed, thust. It was		ıld see nothing because of	
9.	The firefighters	could not get out o	273	ney were	

frustrated

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	Some firefighters were on the second floor, some were on the third floor, and some were on the fourth floor. They were between floors two and four.
	The World Trade Center was destroyed. Where the building once stood, there was now only a pile of
12.	The only part of the World Trade Center that was still standing was the stairwell between the second and fourth floors. Josephine had kept them all in the only part of the building that was
<b>♦</b>	UNDERSTANDING SPECIAL EXPRESSIONS
Co	mplete the sentences to show that you understand the meanings of the new ords. There may be several correct ways to complete each sentence.
1.	once* = immediately after something happens
	Example: Once you've taken the medicine, you'll feel better.
	a. The firefighters knew that once they left the building, they would have to
	b. Once he's saved enough money, he can
	c. Once they've finished their homework, they can
2	could barely = almost could not
۷.	Example: The theater was so dark we could barely <u>find our way to our seats</u> .
	a. Josephine was so tired she could barely
	b. He spoke so softly we could barely
	c. Her handwriting was so bad I could barely
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# **DEVELOPING READING SKILLS**



# ♦ UNDERSTANDING CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER

Read each group of four sentences. One of the sentences is not in chronological order. Draw a line through the sentence that is not in the correct place.

- The six firefighters arrive at the North Tower of the World Trade Center.
   They enter a stairwell and start walking up.
   They feel an incredible rush of wind at their backs.
   They stop to catch their breath at the 27th floor.
- The South Tower collapses, and Captain Jonas orders his men out of the building.
   The firefighters begin descending the stairs.
   They meet Josephine and tell her they will help her get out of the building.
   People who are descending the stairs encourage the firefighters.

<sup>\*</sup>The word once usually means "one time," but it can also mean "immediately after something happens."



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Interview Somebody About Their Job(CALL ME)

- 1. What do you do for a living?
- 2. How long have you been doing that?
- 3. Why did you choose that job?
- 4. What's your schedule like?
- 5. What are your duties or responsibilties?
- 6. What do you like/not like about your job?
- 7. If you could do any other job what would it be?
- 8. What advice would you give somebody looking for a job?

F (Call Me)

#### Jobs

- 1.nurse
- 2.조교
- 3.plumber
- 4.chef
- 5.florist
- 6.zookeeper
- 7.author
- 8.athlete
- 9.barber
- 10.butcher
- 11.flight attendant
- 12.CEO
- 13.cabbie
- 14.pilot
- 15.soldier
- 16.dentist
- 17.waiter/waitress
- 18.housewife
- 19.mechanic
- 20.professor
- 21.farmer
- 22.personal trainer
- 23.journalist
- 24.police officer
- 25.minister
- 26.firefighter
- 27.architect
- 28.actor/actress

Complete the sentences: A/an good (\_\_\_\_\_) should be (\_\_\_\_\_).