

Conv. 2

me Answers

Complete these sentences with the correct idiom(s)

1. Ok everybody! I know you're tired, so take 5
2. He's got a short fuse so he's always arguing with people.
3. My sister has a big heart. She loves to help others.
4. Wednesday is hump day.
5. Stop dogging it and start working harder.
6. What? What do you mean? You lost me there. I don't get what you're saying. (2 idioms)
7. That guy's really charming. He's really a smooth operator.
8. 류현진 pitched a 2-0 shutout for the Toronto Blue Jays.
9. A: Severn's really stupid isn't he?
B: Hey! Come on! If you don't have anything nice to say
10. Don't wait to ask her to marry you! Remember that you snooze you lose
11. A lot of people are having a hard time dealing with covid-19.
12. A: Do you think you'll get married this year?
B: Maybe. I'm not sure yet. Right now the odds are 50/50 that I will.
13. A: Do you want to go bungee jumping with me?
B: No! No! No! No way! I don't want to tempt fate. (1 idiom)
14. Don't say anything to her! She's already having problems, so don't rock the boat

- a. don't tempt fate
- b. smooth operator
- c. a short fuse
- d. dealing with
- e. don't rock the boat
- f. a big heart
- g. 50/50
- h. you snooze you lose
- i. dogging it
- j. you lost me
- k. take 5
- l. if you don't have anything nice to say then don't say anything at all
- m. get
- n. hump day
- o. shutout

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Write the meanings for these idioms in English

(www.idioms4you.com)

1. cook up (to invent or plan)
2. clam up (refuse to speak)
3. pass the torch (to give up duties to another person)
4. pull the trigger (to commit to a course of action)
5. try your hand at (try to do something)
6. an uphill struggle (something that's very difficult)
7. on the take (accepting bribes)
8. make the best of (to accept a situation that's not very good)
9. to wine and dine (to entertain somebody lavishly with food and drink)
10. at least (no less than)
11. pay a compliment (say something nice about somebody)
12. look the other way (ignore)
13. to be there for (always available to help)
14. sooner or later (eventually)
15. time off (period of time when you're not working or going to school)

Black Day

1. What is White Day?(and when?)

What is Sweetest Day?(and when?)

2. Why was Black Day created?

What does the amount of chocolate one receives gauge(tell you)?

3. When is Black Day?

How do people celebrate?

What does black advertise?

Do people buy each other presents?

4. Is Black Day celebrated in other countries?

5. What are the other special days on the 14th of every month?

Jan.14 (Dian Day)

Feb.14(Valentines)

March 14(White Day)

April 14 (Black Day)

May 14 (Yellow Day / Rose Day)

June 14 (Kiss Day)

July 14 (Silver Day)

August 14 (Green Day)

Sept.14 (Photo Day / Music Day)

Oct.14 (Wine Day)

Nov.14 (Money Day)

Dec.14 (Stug Day)

6. What's the best gift a boyfriend or girlfriend has given you?

3 GRAMMAR FOCUS

► Gerunds; short responses

Affirmative statements with gerunds

	Agree	Disagree
I love playing video games.	So do I.	I don't.
I hate working on weekends.	So do I.	Really? I like it.
I'm good at solving problems.	So am I.	Oh, I'm not.
Negative statements with gerunds		
I don't mind working evenings.	Neither do I.	I do.
I'm not good at selling .	Neither am I.	Well, I am.
I can't stand commuting .	Neither can I.	Oh, I don't mind it.

Other verbs or phrases followed by gerunds

like
enjoy
be interested in

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A PAIR WORK Match the phrases in columns A and B to make statements about yourself. Then take turns reading your sentences and giving short responses.

A

- I can't stand e.
- I'm not very good at g.
- I'm good at b.
- I don't like d.
- I hate f.
- I'm interested in h.
- I don't mind c.
- I enjoy a.

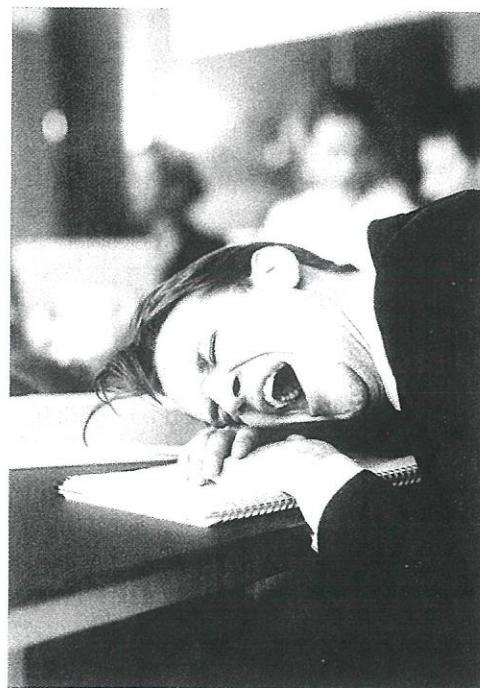
B

- working the night shift.
- solving other people's problems.
- working alone.
- sitting in long meetings.
- working on weekends.
- speaking in public.
- managing my time.
- learning foreign languages.

A: I can't stand sitting in long meetings.

B: Neither can I.

✓ **B GROUP WORK** Complete the phrases in column A with your own information. Then take turns reading your statements. Ask questions to get more information.



4 PRONUNCIATION Unreleased and released /t/ and /d/

✗ **A** Listen and practice. Notice that when the sound /t/ or /d/ at the end of a word is followed by a consonant, it's unreleased. When it is followed by a vowel sound, it's released.

Unreleased

She's not good at dealing with stress.
I hate working on Sundays.
You need to manage money well.

Released

He's not a good artist.
They really hate it!
I need a cup of coffee.

B PAIR WORK Write three sentences starting with *I'm not very good at* and *I don't mind*. Then practice the sentences. Pay attention to the unreleased and released sounds /t/ and /d/.

11/10 Wed

Show Maria

8 WORD POWER Personality traits

A Which of these adjectives are positive (P)? Which are negative (N)?

creative	P	impatient	N
critical	P/N	level-headed	P
disorganized	N	moody	N
efficient	P	punctual	P
forgetful	N	reliable	P
generous	P	short-tempered	N
hardworking	P	strict	P/N



disorganized



hardworking

B PAIR WORK Tell your partner about people you know with these personality traits.

"My boss is very short-tempered. She often shouts at people . . ."

C Listen to four conversations. Then check (✓) the adjective that best describes each person.

1. a boss

- ☐ creative
- ☐ forgetful
- ☐ serious

2. a co-worker

- ☐ unfriendly
- ☐ generous
- ☐ strange

3. a teacher

- ☐ moody
- ☐ patient
- ☐ hardworking

4. a relative

- ☐ short-tempered
- ☐ disorganized
- ☐ reliable

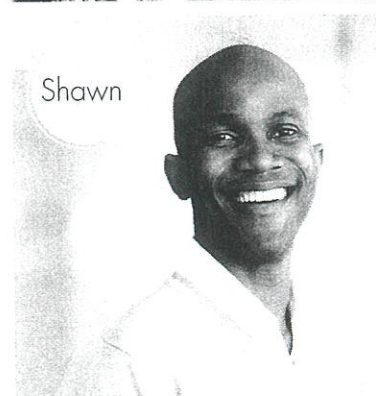
9 PERSPECTIVES Making the right choice

A Listen to these people answer the question, "What kind of work would you like to do?" What job does each person talk about? Do they want that job?



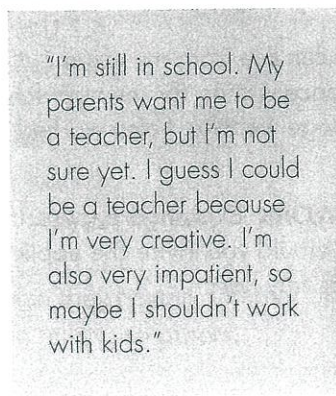
Paula

"Well, I think I'd make a good journalist because I'm good at writing. When I was in high school, I worked as a reporter for the school website. I really enjoyed writing different kinds of articles."



Shawn

"I know what I *don't* want to do! A lot of my friends work in the stock market, but I could never be a stockbroker because I can't make decisions quickly. I don't mind working hard, but I'm terrible under pressure!"



Dalia

"I'm still in school. My parents want me to be a teacher, but I'm not sure yet. I guess I could be a teacher because I'm very creative. I'm also very impatient, so maybe I shouldn't work with kids."

B PAIR WORK Look at the interviews again. Who are you most like? least like? Why?

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Clauses with *because*

The word **because** introduces a cause or reason.

I'd make a good journalist **because** I'm good at writing.

I could be a teacher **because** I'm very creative.

I wouldn't want to be a teacher **because** I'm very impatient.

I could never be a stockbroker **because** I can't make decisions quickly.

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A Complete the sentences in column A with appropriate information from column B. Then compare with a partner.

A

1. I'd like to be a physical therapist c
2. I would make a bad librarian a.
3. I couldn't be a diplomat e
4. I wouldn't mind working as a veterinarian b.
5. I could be a flight attendant f
6. I could never be a financial advisor d.

B

- a. because I'm very disorganized.
- b. because I love animals.
- c. because I enjoy helping people.
- d. because I'm not good at managing money.
- e. because I'm short-tempered.
- f. because I really enjoy traveling.

B GROUP WORK Think about your personal qualities and skills. Then complete these statements. Take turns discussing them with your group.

I could never be a ... because ...

I'd make a good ... because ...

X I wouldn't mind working as a ... because ... X The best job for me is ... because ...

Call
Ms

11 WRITING An online cover letter for a job application

A Imagine you are applying for one of the jobs in this unit. Write a short cover letter for a job application.



To: Catherine West

Reply Forward

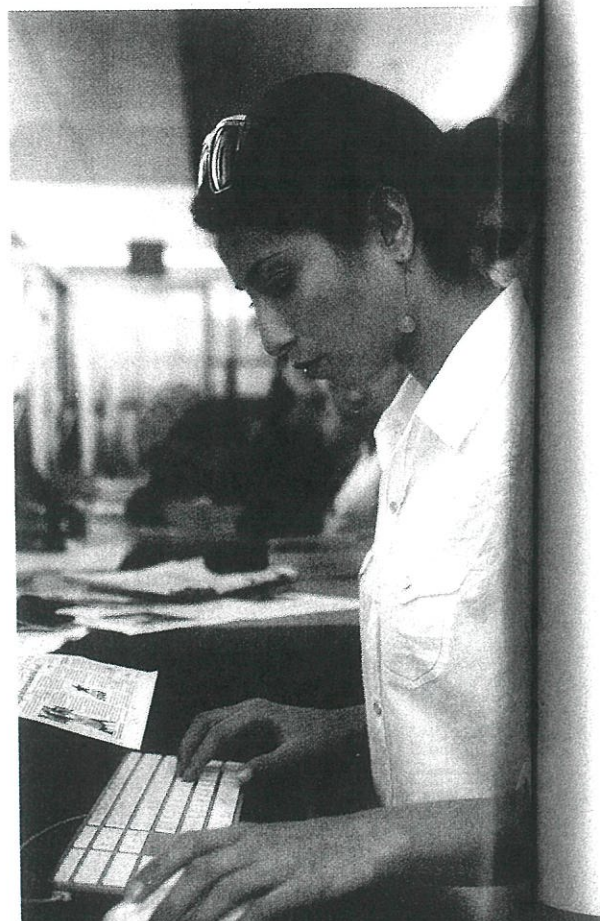
Subject: News reporter position - ref. 04532

Dear Ms. West,

I was excited to see your opening for a news reporter, and I hope to be invited for an interview. I think I could make a great addition to your team because I'm very hardworking, and I really enjoy writing.

As you can see from my résumé, I've had a lot of experience writing for my high school newspaper and for my college website. I also worked ...

B PAIR WORK Exchange papers. If you received this cover letter, would you invite the applicant for a job interview? Why or why not?



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I don't like working on weekends!

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Choose the correct responses.

1. A: I enjoy working in sales.

B: _____

- Well, I can. ■ Neither do I. ☒ So do I.

2. A: I like working night shifts.

B: _____

- ☒ Gee, I don't. ■ Neither do I. ■ Neither am I.

3. A: I can't stand getting to work late.

B: _____

- I can't. ☒ Neither can I. ■ Well, I do.

4. A: I'm interested in using my language skills.

B: _____

- ☒ So am I. ■ Oh, I don't. ■ Oh, I don't mind.

2

Complete the sentences with the words and phrases in the box. Use gerunds.

☒ commute

☒ start her own business

☒ work under pressure

☒ learn languages

☐ use a computer

☒ work with a team

1. Teresa enjoys being a journalist. She has to write a news story by 4:00 P.M. every day, but she doesn't mind working under pressure.

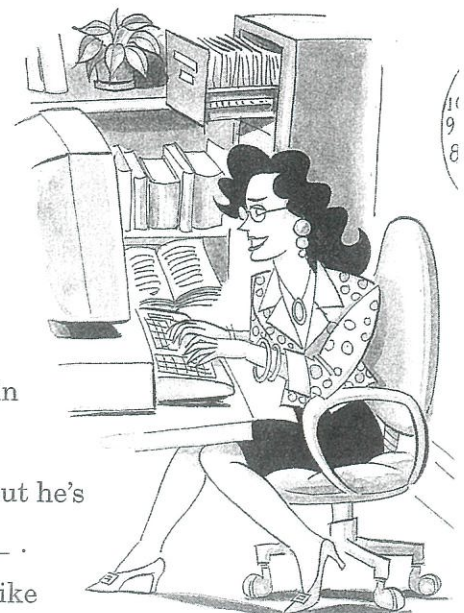
2. Ichiro is a novelist, but he hates using a computer.

3. Gwen usually works alone all day, but she enjoys working with a team, too.

4. Ellen works for a large company, but she's interested in starting her own business.

5. Carlos has to use Portuguese and Japanese at work, but he's not very good at learning languages.

6. Cindy has to drive to work every day, but she doesn't like commuting.



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at these people say about themselves. Which job should they do? Which job should they avoid? Write sentences using the phrases given because.



I enjoy helping people, but I can't stand working nights and weekends. I want to be a nurse or a social worker.

1. (make a good / could never) Jim would probably make a good social worker because he enjoys helping people. He could never be a nurse because he can't stand working nights and weekends. I think you have to work long hours to be a nurse!

I really like doing things with my hands. I also enjoy working with wood. I don't enjoy working in the same place every day, and I hate being in noisy places. I think I'd like to be a factory worker or a carpenter.



Anita

2. (could / couldn't) Anita could be a carpenter because she likes doing things with her hands + she enjoys working with wood. She couldn't be a factory worker because she doesn't enjoy working in the same place every day + she hates being in noisy places.



I'm really interested in meeting people, and I enjoy wearing different clothes every day. I'm not so good at organizing my time, and I can't stand computers. I might become a model or an accountant.

3. (would make a good / would make a bad) Maria would make a good model, because she's really interested in meeting people and enjoys wearing different clothes every day. She would make a bad accountant because she's not so good at organizing her time and she can't stand computers!

I'm really good at selling things. I also love helping people. But I'm not so good at solving problems. I think I'd like to be a salesperson or a detective.



Larry

4. (could be / wouldn't make a good) Larry could be a salesperson because he's really good at selling things + he loves helping people. He wouldn't make a good detective because he's not so good at solving problems.