

A job interview

- 1 (1.21) Read and listen to the dialogue. Then read the three job advertisements below. Which job did Callum apply for?



- Manager** How did you find out about the job?
Callum I saw your advert in the local newspaper.
Manager Have you worked in a shop before?
Callum Yes, I have. I used to help out at my uncle's shop.
Manager Right. What did you do there?
Callum Everything! I served customers. I cleaned, I stacked shelves ...
Manager How long did you work there?
Callum About two years, part-time.
Manager I see. And why do you think you're the right person for this job?
Callum Because I'm hard-working and reliable, and I enjoy dealing with the public. I'm also good at working in a team.
Manager Well, thanks for coming in, Callum. We'll be in touch before the end of the week.

- 2 Find the words and phrases 1–3 in the dialogue in exercise 1.
- 1 a phrase which means 'to put things on the shelves in a shop'.
 - 2 an adjective which means '(somebody) that you can trust'.
 - 3 a phrase which means 'to contact by phone or letter'.
- 3 (1.22) Match the definitions with the four jobs in the box. Then listen to the interview for a summer job. Which of the four jobs is it?

fruit picker gardener life guard market researcher

- a A person who interviews ordinary members of the public to get information for companies.
 - b A person who takes fruit from trees or plants when it is ready.
 - c A person who looks after plants and flowers.
 - d A person who watches to make sure swimmers are safe.
- 4 (1.22) Listen again. Number the questions in the order that you hear them. How many of the answers can you remember?
- a What kinds of things do you do? ☐
 - b Are you in good physical health? ☐
 - c When can you start work? ☐
 - d Do you live locally? ☐
 - e Have you got any experience of this type of work? ☐
 - f Why do you want this job? ☐

Speaking tip

When someone answers a question or a statement, show that you've listened to them, and understood what they said. Use these phrases.
Really? That's great! Right. I see.
That's interesting. OK.

- 5 Work in pairs. Plan an interview for one of the other jobs in exercises 1 or 3. Use questions from this page or invent your own. Include some phrases from the *Speaking tip*.
- 6 Write your dialogue out. Then practise reading it in pairs.
- 7 Act out your dialogue to the class. The class votes on whether the applicant gets the job!

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(a) RECEPTIONIST
 required for sports club near the city centre. We are looking for a reliable person who can work 10 hours a week (2 hours every evening, Monday to Friday). Computer skills essential.
 £6 / hour

(b) Waiter / Waitress
 A busy café in the town centre needs a confident waiter or waitress to join our friendly, young team. Must have experience.
 £6.30 / hour plus tips

(c) Electrical store requires a part-time shop assistant for weekends only. Must enjoy dealing with customers.
 £5.50 an hour