

# IELTS ENGLISH PODCAST. JOBS. TRANSCRIPT

## Do You Think Health Is Important?

### Part 1. What is your job?

I am an English teacher. I teach English to students who are learning as a Second Language, specifically to adults. A lot of people in the industry do teach children. I do not teach children because I find it a little too challenging. I teach adults because I am passionate about it and I find it uniquely rewarding, a really wonderful job.

### Part 1. What responsibilities do you have at work?

I have many responsibilities. Of course, you start with I teach English, but in order to teach English I have to prepare the lessons. I write my own materials, which can be a little monotonous. I don't particularly like the material writing side of things. I shoot YouTube videos and I have a podcast, I love that side of things, but most of all of course I do love being with students, helping them, getting feedback, and hearing that I made a difference. That's very rewarding.

### Part 2. Describe a difficult task that you succeeded in doing as part of your work or studies.

I'd like to tell you about my job as an orange picker. A long time ago, I went to Australia. It was back in 2009 and I did a lot of different jobs there, but particularly one that stands out to me was being an orange picker or orange Harvester down in the south of Australia. And, of course, you know what my job was already it was to pick oranges.

It was an incredibly hard job, but it taught me a lot really in my life. So let me tell you a little more about this job. It was not rewarding at all. It was incredibly tedious. My job was to get on a ladder, pick oranges as quickly as I can and fill a container. I was paid per container so of course, the more containers I filled the more money I made. But I could only fill two containers a day and it paid, I remember, it was \$23 per container. So it was really was a disappointing amount of money. It was a really labour-intensive job because it required... there was almost a person per tree and each tree took a long time. So it was a really tough job and there were a lot of spiders, which was horrible, snakes, I saw scorpions. There were some really challenging aspects of that job. In my opinion, I would say it was the hardest job of my life. Mostly because of those insects also the weather, it was very hot. And in the future, I really hope I don't have to do anything like that again. It was a very valuable job.

## **VOCABULARY**

aspect (noun) - A part or feature of something

challenging (adjective) - Difficult but interesting

container (noun) - An object used to hold or store things

feedback (noun) - Information or reactions given about something

inspect (verb) - To look at something closely to check its condition

labour-intensive (adjective) - Requiring a lot of work or effort

materials (noun) - Substances or items used to make something

monotonous (adjective) - Boring because it is always the same

orange picker (noun) - A person who picks oranges as a job

passionate (adjective) - Showing strong feelings or enthusiasm

rewarding (adjective) - Giving satisfaction or pleasure for doing something

scorpion (noun) - A small creature with a stinger, usually found in hot places

snake (noun) - A long, legless reptile

spider (noun) - A small creature with eight legs that makes webs

tedious (adjective) - Boring and slow

unique (adjective) - One of a kind, unlike anything else