

PREPARE FOR IELTS. DESCRIBE AN INTERESTING JOB. TRANSCRIPT

Describe an interesting job that you would like to do.

You should say:

What it is

What skills are required

And explain why you think it would be interesting

The answer to this question is something I have been giving a lot of thought to recently, as I am stuck in a rut in my current job and would love to resign and do something completely different. I've been working in admin for the past 15 years and I feel I need a new challenge. It's a dead-end job with no promotion prospects so I need to jump ship, but that is quite a scary prospect.

Anyway, what I'd absolutely love to do is become a writer. Some might argue that you need to have a degree in creative writing or whatever, however, I feel that the key skill for this job is an imagination. The best writers create stories with amazing plots, plot twists, a great protagonist and for this, you need to be a creative and imaginative person.

Working in an office like I do, I have to commute to work every day in rush hour traffic and I'm sick to death of being part of the rat race. Being a freelance or self-employed writer, I could have a home-office and my commute would be from my bed to my desk. Mind you, I'm probably kidding myself that it would be interesting and, in reality, I would probably be sitting staring at my computer, suffering from writer's block.

Nevertheless, what interests me most about this job is whether I would actually be committed and dedicated enough to finish a book. It would be a test of character and a challenge and like I said at the start, I need a new challenge!

VOCABULARY

freelance (noun) - earning money by selling your work or services to several different organizations rather than being employed by one particular organization

plot (noun) - the series of events that form the story of a novel, play, film, etc.

promotion (noun) - a move to a more important job or rank in a company or an organization

prospect (noun) - the possibility that something will happen

protagonist (noun) - the main character in a play, film or book

rat race (noun) - the way of life of people living and working in a large city where people compete in an aggressive way with each other in order to be more successful, earn more money, etc.

resign (verb) - to officially tell somebody that you are leaving your job, an organization, etc.

self-employed (adjective) - working for yourself and not employed by a company, etc.

writer's block (noun) - a problem that writers sometimes have when they cannot think of what to write and have no new ideas

