

SOLUTIONS INTERMEDIATE 3
UNIT 6: HIGH FLYERS
6G

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Reading

Out of work

I can understand a text about a young entrepreneur.

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1 Complete the sentences with a verb and a preposition below. Use the correct form of the verb.

Verbs appeal arrest complain employ
respond search sit spend work worry

Prepositions about about as at for
for for on to to

- 1 I usually _____ my pocket money
_____ music downloads.
- 2 All I do is _____ my desk all
day. I need to get some exercise!
- 3 My dad has his own business, but he used to
_____ a big bank.
- 4 Working abroad doesn't really _____
_____ me. I'd prefer to stay in this country.
- 5 I _____ my keys, but I couldn't
find them. I wonder where they are.
- 6 I _____ all the comments
on my Facebook page. I think it's impolite to ignore
them.
- 7 The café manager wants to _____ me
_____ a dishwasher, but I want to work as
a waiter.
- 8 Don't _____ your exams. I'm
sure you'll pass them.
- 9 Yesterday, the police _____ a teenager
_____ shoplifting. They questioned him, but
have let him go.
- 10 The neighbours always _____
the noise when my little cousins come to stay.

2 Read the newspaper article. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Omar Bashir is in his twenties.
- 2 He doesn't have a university qualification.
- 3 He finally got a job.

HOW TO SELL YOURSELF

WOULD YOU STAND OUTSIDE THE LONDON UNDERGROUND LOOKING FOR A JOB? THAT IS PRECISELY WHAT 23-YEAR-OLD OMAR BASHIR DID LAST SUMMER. ¹__ HE STAYED THERE FROM 7 A.M. HOLDING UP A BIG SIGN WHICH READ:

**2:1 economics graduate
with experience
Looking for career
opportunities
Could you help me?
Grab my CV here!**



Omar had qualified with a good degree in economics from City University, London, and had been working in a basic marketing job for some time. In order to further his career, he had applied for nearly 100 jobs, but without success. He said, 'The graduate job market is extremely competitive and good grades are not good enough. ²__'

So he took advice from his father, who he greatly admired. His father and uncle used to have market stalls in Petticoat Lane which sold women's clothes and mobile phone accessories. ³__ 'I picked up a lot of my selling skills from there,' Omar said. His father told him, 'You can sell anything.' So then Omar decided that the time had come to sell himself.

On the second day, Omar stood outside another underground station, this time Cannon Street, with the same sign. ⁴__ Early on the second day, however, he was noticed by the CEO of a top insurance firm, who took his CV. He was called in for an interview that afternoon, and at the end of the day he had a job. David Ross, who gave Omar the interview, said, 'Omar's work ethic, inclusive nature, willingness to learn and humility means that he has fitted straight into the organisation.'

Reading Strategy

When you are doing a gapped-sentence task:

- 1 Fill in the easiest gaps first.
- 2 When you have filled all the gaps, try the extra sentences in each gap again to make sure they don't fit.
- 3 Read the whole text again, checking your answers.

3 Read the Reading Strategy. Then match sentences A–F with gaps 1–4 in the text. There are two extra sentences.

- A It's important to do something that catches people's attention.
- B He thought the job offer was too good to be true.
- C He found a place at the top of the stairs at Bank Station in the heart of London's financial district.
- D Although the first day had resulted in some interesting conversations, nothing had come of them.
- E Omar used to help them at weekends.
- F He was offered £5,000 more than his current job.



MIGRATION





**WHAT ARE THE
CHALLENGES
PEOPLE MOSTLY
FACE WITH BY
MIGRATING?**









**DO YOU KNOW
ANYONE WHO
HAS HAD A HOLIDAY
JOB ABROAD? WHAT
WAS THEIR
EXPERIENCE?**

1 **SPEAKING** Why do people go abroad to work? Think of at least three reasons.

2 **SPEAKING** Compare and contrast the photos of people working abroad. What are the people doing?



Speaking Strategy

Make sure that you refer to all of the points in the task. You may need to move the conversation on in order to cover all of the topics. Use phrases like:

Moving on to the question of ...


Another thing I wanted to ask / know is ...

Something else I'd like to talk about is ...

Could I ask you about ... ?

Speaking of X, ... (if X has been mentioned)

That reminds me, ... (if there is a link with something you want to say or ask)


- 3  2.31 Read the **Speaking Strategy** above and the task below. Then listen to a student doing the task. Which phrases from the strategy does she use?

You have moved to the UK and are looking for work. You have seen a job advert for hotel staff. Discuss the job with the hotel manager. Cover these four points:

- responsibilities
- personal qualities required
- hours of work and salary
- if accommodation is included

THAT REMINDS ME ANOTHER THING I WANTED TO ASK COULD I ASK MOVING ON TO THE QUESTION OF SPEAKING OF

- ... salary, could you tell me how much I would earn?
- ... is what time would I start and finish work?
- ... you about lunch breaks?
- ... the uniform, would you provide me with one?
- , would you expect me to work at weekends?

4  2.31 **KEY PHRASES** Listen again. Complete the questions that the student asked with the phrases below.

Indirect questions Could you tell me ... ?

I was wondering ... I'd like to know ... May I ask ... ?

I'd be interested to know ... I'd like to know ...

1 ... if I could discuss it with you.

2 ... what the job involves.

3 ... what I would be doing in the restaurant?

4 ... when I would start and finish work exactly.

5 ... what the salary is?

6 ... if accommodation is included.



Can you
help me?





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I was wondering
if you could
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LEARN THIS! Indirect questions



a We often use indirect questions to sound more polite in formal situations. They begin with phrases like the ones in exercise 4.

Could you tell me what the time is?

b We use *if* or *whether* to turn a *yes / no* question into an indirect question.

Is accommodation included?

I'd like to know if accommodation is included.

c In an indirect question, the word order and verb form are the same as in a direct statement.

Is the job well paid? → Could you tell me if the job is well paid?

5 Read the **Learn this!** box. Why does the student choose to use indirect questions in exercise 4?

6 Write the direct questions that correspond to the indirect questions in exercise 4.

1 *Could I discuss it with you?*

7 Read the task below and think of at least six direct questions that you could ask the café manager. Make sure you cover all four points in the task.

What does the job involve?

You have moved to the UK and are looking for work. You have seen a job advert for waiters and kitchen staff in a café. Discuss the jobs with the manager of the café. Cover these four points:

- responsibilities
- experience required
- your personal qualities
- hours of work and salary

8 Rewrite the questions from exercise 7 as indirect questions.
Use a variety of structures from exercise 4.

Could you tell me what the job involves?

9 Work in pairs. Swap the questions you wrote in exercise 8 and write answers to them. Use the phrases below to help you.

Could you tell me what the job involves?

- It involves greeting customers and taking orders.*
- Sometimes you will have to work in the kitchen.*

10 SPEAKING Take turns to do the task in exercise 7. Use the questions and answers you prepared in exercises 8 and 9.

I saw a job advert for ... and I was wondering if I could discuss it with you.

Work in groups to make sentences.

Venus Williams	One World Trade Center
whose sister is called Serena	which is in Lower Manhattan, New York
is an amazing tennis player.	is the fourth tallest building in the world.
Malala Yousafzi	Stonehenge
who is from Pakistan	which is more than five thousand years old
won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2014.	is a circle of enormous standing stones.
The Beatles	Machu Picchu
who split up in 1970	which is in Peru
were one of the most famous groups in the world.	is a 15th-century Inca site.
Bart Simpson	The International Space Station,
whose father, Homer, works at a nuclear power plant,	which orbits the Earth at 27,724 kilometres per hour
has got two sisters called Lisa and Maggie.	has got two bathrooms and a gym.

ASSIGNMENT: WORKBOOK 6G

DEADLINE: THURSDAY