

Listening skills practice: The best job in the world – exercises

Listen to the information about the “best job in the world” competition and do the exercises to practise and improve your listening skills.

1. Preparation: multiple selection

Do this exercise before you listen. Which five activities can you do in Australia? Tick (✓) all the correct answers.

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| | get to know aboriginal culture |
| | look at dinosaur fossils |
| | learn how to cook traditional, local curries |
| | go skiing |
| | visit ancient Inuit monuments |
| | enjoy a firework display at New Year |
| | see lions and tigers in the wild |
| | go surfing |

2. Check your understanding: gap fill

Do this exercise while you listen. Complete the gaps with the correct word.

1. The organisation Tourism Australia is offering six jobs, for six _____.
2. If you want one of these jobs, you have to make a short _____.
3. The job of outback adventurer is for someone with a passion for _____ life.
4. Job number two is a park _____ in Queensland.
5. The wildlife caretaker job on Kangaroo Island is for someone who loves _____.
6. If you're not an outdoor person, the next job is for someone whose talents are in _____.
7. The taste master will need to _____ about food as well as enjoy eating it.
8. The final job is based in _____.

3. Check your understanding: grouping

Do this exercise while you listen. Put the job requirements with the correct job.

a. write, take photographs and make films	b. help preserve and promote plants, animals, fossils and indigenous culture	c. work with some dangerous animals	d. work with the organisers of festivals
e. find the best places for "winning and dining"	f. learn how to make alcoholic drinks	g. work in a state with the world's biggest sand island	h. use social media to tell people about cool events
i. find adventures and employment for young people on working holidays	j. travel in a hot air balloon and be prepared to eat insects!	k. use different types of transport and leave only footprints	l. report on cafés, concerts and days out

outback adventurer	park ranger	wildlife caretaker
lifestyle journalist	taste master	chief funster

Which of these jobs would suit you? Why?

I'd like to ... because ...

I'm good at ... (-ing)

I enjoy ... (-ing)

I'm interested in ...