

## Situations Vacant

### Heroes for the Future - Lesson Plan

#### Learning Objective:

To promote a positive attitude to the world of work

To generate interest, excitement and enthusiasm towards the world of work.

#### Resources:

Situations Vacant Activity Sheet

Access to the internet, newspapers and magazines to cut out.

#### Introduction

Explain that the purpose of the lesson is to think about all the interesting jobs that people do in the world of work.

#### Brainstorm

In groups, or as a whole class, make a list of interesting jobs. Encourage the class to really use their imaginations, be inventive and get excited.

Examples you could use to get ideas flowing might include working in forensics, flying a police helicopter, designing and making expensive chocolates, operating a hot air balloon for tourists, bomb disposal expert, selecting film locations etc. There is a team of people at London Zoo who are responsible for washing the elephants!

#### Activity

Using the activity sheet as a guide, ask children to draw up an advert for their dream job. They will need to research this task using the Internet and the relevant sections of newspapers and magazines.

#### Further Discussion

Discuss the way in which technology changes the type of jobs that are available.

15 years ago there were no web designers. Today there are very few shorthand typists. What other jobs have come and gone because of changes in technology? What jobs stand the test of time? When this class leaves school jobs will exist that have not yet been thought of. What might they be?

This can be a verbal or a written task.

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### Activity Sheet



This advert was reputedly placed in The Times by Antarctic Explorer, Ernest Shackleton in 1913. He had over 5000 applicants!  
Would you have applied?

1. What is your dream job?
2. Design an advert for your dream job. You will need to include all the relevant information such as job title, job description, how to apply, rate of pay, qualifications etc. You will also need to decide where the advert should be published.

Here are some links you might find interesting.

<http://www.antarctic-circle.org/advert.htm>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/wales/justthejob/followyourdream/punch/>

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world/asia-pacific/7823812.stm>