

CULTURE

SATURDAY JOBS

FACTFILE

Saturday jobs

In English-speaking countries, many teenagers have Saturday jobs. Having a Saturday job helps teenagers:

- ★ plan their time
- ★ meet new people
- ★ make some pocket money
- ★ learn new skills
- ★ learn the value of money

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JOB OFFER – Saturday mornings

Do you like animals? Do you like nature? Do you like walking? Do you want to earn some **pocket money**? Well, dog-walking is your dream job. And we pay well.

A small, family company is looking for young people to help **walk** dogs.

WHEN: 2 hours on Saturday mornings

THE JOB: Walk 2–3 small dogs

WHERE: Local parks

For more information, visit our *Doggie Walks* website.



1 Look at the photos. In pairs, discuss the questions.

- 1 What are the two jobs in the photos?
- 2 Do teenagers work for pocket money where you live? What jobs do they do?
- 3 What are some good things about being a dog-walker or doing a paper round?

2 Read the job offers. In pairs, discuss which one you think is the best.

3 Match the photos A and B to two of the job offers 1–3.

4 Read the job offers in Exercise 2 again. Answer the questions.

- 1 How many hours a week is the dog-walking job?
- 2 Is the dog-walking job for a company?
- 3 Where is the Saturday afternoon job?
- 4 How can you get more information about the Saturday afternoon job?
- 5 When is the paper round job?
- 6 Where do you take the newspapers on the paper round?

5 Complete the sentences with the **highlighted** words in the job offers in Exercise 2.

JOB OFFER – Saturday mornings

You can earn some ¹.....
You need to ²..... 2–3 small dogs.

Help Wanted – Saturday afternoons

You are ³..... for plants, pets and small jobs.
You need to ⁴..... the cats.

Extra pocket money?

The job is doing a ⁵.....
You need to be ⁶.....

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**HELP
WANTED****Saturday
afternoons**

Are you free on Saturday afternoons over the school holidays? Do you want to earn some pocket money?

We are looking for a **responsible** person to help us at home on Saturday afternoons.

WHEN: 3–4 hours on Saturday afternoons

THE JOB:

- water house plants
- do simple garden jobs
- **feed** two cats
- clean bird cage
- help with small jobs around the house



For more information, send an email and tell us about you.

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**EXTRA POCKET MONEY?
DO A PAPER ROUND!**

A small company is looking for young people aged 13–14 to do paper rounds.

WHEN: Monday to Saturdays. 1–2 hours in the morning.

THE JOB:

- › you need to take newspapers to people's homes and offices
- › you need to be **healthy**
- › it helps to have a bicycle
- › you need to get up early in the morning
- › you need to be responsible and leave newspapers on time

For more information about the job and the pay, send us an email and tell us about you and your experience.



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6 Listen to Olivia and her dad talking about Saturday jobs. Tick the correct answers.

1 Olivia has experience doing _____.



dog-walking



a paper round

2 Olivia has a _____ on Saturday mornings.



piano class



guitar class



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7 Listen again. Are the sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)?

- 1 Olivia wants a job on Saturday mornings.
- 2 Mrs Wilson hasn't got a garden.
- 3 Olivia sees a job offer in the newspaper.
- 4 The paper round job is in the centre of the town.
- 5 Mrs Wilson's son is a dog-walker.
- 6 Olivia walks the family dog.

**TALKING POINTS**

Which job would you prefer? Why?

PROJECT*A job offer*

Work in small groups. Think of Saturday jobs. Write an offer for a job on Saturday mornings or Saturday afternoons.

- Think about the following:
 - what the job is
 - experience
 - morning or afternoon
 - number of hours
 - times
 - what you need to do
- Ask other groups questions about their job offers.
- Try to find someone from the other group for your Saturday job. Is anyone in the group a good person for the job? Why? / Why not?
- Tell the class about your job and who is/are a good person