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## People at Work

Any work done to earn money is called an **occupation**. People do different types of jobs to earn money. Come, I will introduce you to some people living in our area who do different kinds of jobs.



### HOW THEY LEARNT THEIR SKILLS



#### Embroiderer

Roop is an embroiderer. He embroiders suits and sarees with needle and thread. He learnt the art of embroidery from his father.

#### Potter

Kanhaiya is a potter. He makes beautiful pots on his wheel. His wife carves and paints the pots. Kanhaiya's whole family was into pottery making. He learnt this skill from his father when he was a small boy.



#### Driver

Baljeet Singh is our driver. He drives very safely. He went to a motor driving training school to learn driving.

## Pilot and Airhostess

Mr. Vipul is a pilot. He flies aeroplanes. He learnt to fly aeroplanes in a flying club. His wife is an airhostess. She looks after the comforts of passengers in an aeroplane.



## Beautician

Jenny is a beautician. She uses scissors, combs and a variety of powders and creams to make people look smart and beautiful. She went to a beauty care school to learn her skills.

## Weaver

Manoj is a weaver. He weaves cloth on a loom. He learnt this work from his father.



## Washerman

Ramu is a washerman. He washes our clothes and has an iron to press them. His wife helps him in his work. When Ramu was in his village, he was a farmer. He had no work in the village. He came to the city and learnt this work with practice.

## Tailor

Jagdish is a tailor. He stitches garments using a sewing machine, needle and thread. Both his parents were also tailors.



## Restaurateur

Laxmi is a restaurateur. She has a restaurant. It used to be run by her husband before he died last year. She sells South Indian food. Her daughter Parvati helps her in the restaurant.



## Bicycle Mechanic

Mahesh is a bicycle mechanic. I go to him to get my bicycle repaired. He works with his father in his shop. He uses a variety of tools like screw-driver, wrench and spanner to repair the cycles.



## Engineer

Mr. Das is an engineer. He makes plans for building bridges, roads, houses, etc. He uses compasses and scales to draw his plans on papers. Mr. Das studied engineering in an engineering college.



## Doctor

Dr. Ashok Mittal is our family doctor. He cures sick people. He uses a stethoscope to listen to the sounds coming from inside the body for signs of disease. His wife is also a doctor. They run a clinic together. Dr. Mittal and his wife studied medicine in a medical college.



### Activity

Write down the names and occupations of 6 people you know who have different occupations.

No.	Name	Occupation

## GENDER AND WORK

Earlier only men used to go out to work and earn money. Women were not encouraged to take up jobs or do business. But now women are also educated and trained. They can now be seen working in all fields of work.

Women are working as scientists, doctors, police officers, teachers, managers, pilots and business persons. Nowadays women can also be seen working in petrol pumps and also as drivers and conductors. Many women are joining the armed forces as soldiers.



Teacher



Business Woman



Police



Doctor

In our country women have proven their capabilities in all possible fields. Let us read about some of them.

**Indira Gandhi** was the Prime Minister of our country. The Prime Minister is the leader of our country. She held on this post for many years.



**Kalpana Chawla** was the first Indian born woman astronaut to go into the space. She was a crew member of the Columbia Space Shuttle which met with an accident killing all the astronauts, including Kalpana.

**Kiran Bedi** was the first woman IPS officer. She is one of the most famous and popular woman police officers of India.



### POINTS TO PONDER

- Any work done to earn money is called an occupation.
- People work in various capacities such as potters, tailors, embroiderers, mechanics, beauticians, pilots, engineers, doctors, etc.
- Some people are very skillful. They use their skills to earn money.
- They use different types of tools to do their work.
- Nowadays, women are also working in most fields of work.

# EXERCISES

## A. Complete the sentences by filling in the work done by these people.

1. An embroiderer .....
2. A tailor .....
3. A weaver .....
4. A driver .....
5. A beautician .....
6. A doctor .....

## B. Name the tools used by these people for doing their work.

1. Embroiderer .....
2. Tailor .....
3. Weaver .....
4. Potter .....
5. Washerman .....

## C. Write true or false.

1. Work done to earn money is called occupation. ( )
2. An engineer sells readymade food. ( )
3. Women can do all kinds of work. ( )

## D. Answer the following questions.

1. What is an occupation?
2. What does a pilot do?
3. Where do you go to get your bicycle repaired?
4. Do you do some household work? If yes, what?
5. What occupation would you like to have when you grow up? Why?

### Things to Do

1. Talk to people of different occupations and ask them how they learnt their skills.
2. Find out the type of work done by the following people: lawyer, sculptor, goldsmith, jockey, magician, chef.