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Розмовна тема для учнів старших класів «Choosing a career»

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Choosing a career and getting a job are two of the most important things any person does in his life. Before young people finish school all of them think that they will choose a profession they want. But later all of them understand that choosing a profession or a career is a very serious problem.

There are several factors that influence the decision of young people to make their choice. It is generally believed that professions should be both prestigious and interesting. Everybody wants to benefit from the social privileges provided by the profession. At the same time other factors are important. Much depends on the inclinations and interests of the person. Another important factor is social environment. The profession of the parents often in this or that way influences the future profession of their children. Today we have dynasties of physicians, historians, lawyers, economists, pilots and military officers. It is impossible to forget about the material aspect of the future profession.

Today the most popular professions are lawyers and economists. These professions are prestigious. To be a designer is attractive too. For those young adults who choose the profession of a chemist, a mathematician or a physicist the determinant factor is not prestige but interest and inclination. To be a biologist is very prestigious today, because the biologists are at the forefront of cloning. I think that to be a sociologist or psychologist is very interesting and useful too. Psychologists try to help people to cope with their spiritual problems. Sociologists study the health of the society.

As for me in future I would like to become an interpreter or a guide. I know that interpreters are special people and have opportunities to visit different countries and continents. Working as an interpreter is something that many people dream of as children and want to turn into reality as adults. It attracts me, because I'll get acquainted with various people and I'll learn their customs, rituals and traditions. It's a type of work that requires excellent communication skills. I'm sure that this creative profession will enrich my mind and I'll become more educated. But of course if you want to be an interpreter, you will need definite qualifications. At first you must know one foreign language at least. It's good, if you know English (the language of the planet) and any other language. Also you should be familiar with colloquial expressions and slang. Then you should get acquainted with the history of the country, ways of life that are typical for this country, etc. And of course, you must be mentally fit, a sociable, communicative and patient person. I think that this kind of career will suit me because I enjoy speaking in public and being the centre of attention.