



Solution: see Audioscript

Unit 6 Job profile

Task 05. Fill in the missing words from the box.

shaping – cleaning – foreman – working clothes – workshop – smoothing –
company – time clock – safety shoes – tools – lunch break

Announcer: Listen to these apprentices talk about their day at work. Picture 1:

Vicky: Hey, I'm Vicky and it's very early – only 6:30 a.m.! I have to get up every day at 4:45 a.m. to be in the _____ on time. I don't live close, so I have to take the bus to the train station and then ride five stops by train. After a short walk, I have to clock-in at the _____ and change into my _____ and _____, so I'm in the _____ at 6:30 a.m. Every day at 06:45 a.m. the _____ tells all trainees their tasks for the day and we start working. For one and a half weeks now, I've been finishing work pieces by _____ and _____ using all kinds of files like round files, half-round files and a flat file. It's really boring! Our foreman explained to us that this is necessary work to learn how to handle the _____ and materials. At midday, we have a 30 minute _____ and at 2:30 p.m. we start _____ the shop-floor. At 3:00 p.m. we can finally go home. I hope next week I'll get some tasks other than filing ...



metal shearing machine – hinges – cutting machine operator – column drill –
international company – work – sheet steel profiles

Announcer: Picture 2:

Robbie: Hi, my name is Robbie. I work in a big _____ as a trainee
_____. My working day starts at 7:30 a.m. I'm so
fascinated by these big machines we have. I've already finished three different
work pieces by hand. We have our own trainee supervisor, who is quite
satisfied with my _____. After studying quite a lot of theory I was
allowed to work with a big _____. I drilled the holes into
_____. I had to work very accurately and it took me all afternoon
from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. I damaged two parts unfortunately, but all the rest I did
perfectly. I then watched an older apprentice producing _____
with a _____, until the end of my working day at 4:30 p.m.
Next week, I'll be allowed to support him. I'm dying to operate this impressive
machine myself!



materials – workshop – screws – boss - apprentice – construction site – storage
– sheet metal – company – stock-taking – grit my teeth

Simon: I'm Simon and I'm standing in the _____ area again! Every day I have to do this from 6:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – I can't stand it anymore. I've spoken to my _____ and asked him to let me go with my colleagues to the _____, but he always has some work for me in the _____. I have to pick the things they need for the projects from storage, help them load the truck by 7:00 a.m., and then clean the _____ floor for an hour. I also prepare the materials, the things that can be done here like: cutting _____ into the right sizes, etc. When the others come back, I help them unload and store the unused _____. I just _____ and smile. What else am I supposed to do? I want to go outside with the others – enough, I don't understand my boss ... Another _____ has already been allowed to go to the customers, but my boss has banned him from speaking to them. ...

Oh bother! Look what's happened now! A box of _____ has just fallen down! There are screws all over the floor as well as under the shelves! At the next _____ I'll have to explain why there are screws missing, if I don't find them all. I knew this day wouldn't turn out well ...



employees – colleagues – boss – properties – shop-floor – steel – help – manual
power tools – small company – apprenticeship – tungsten-steel

Announcer: Picture 4:

Marc: My name's Marc. Right now, I'm surfing on the internet in the office. What am I doing here and why have I not been working on the _____ all morning? Good question! Right now I'm searching for information about the _____ of metals. Ah, what the heck! It could be worse. At least I have some time to sit and relax, and when nobody is close, I can check my Facebook account. I work in a _____ with 14 _____ and the _____ is my neighbour. He has known me since I was a small child. So, when I was looking for a job, he offered me this _____. The company is only ten minutes walking distance from my home. I really like my _____. They're all very helpful and friendly and try to teach me a lot. So far, I have only been able to do easy work by hand or by using some _____. I often have to ask my colleagues for _____, when I'm not sure, for example, which tool to use for which job. Our company works a lot with _____. I didn't know that so many different kinds existed – high- or low-carbon steel, spring-steel, tool-steel or _____, to name just a few – as well as all the things you can produce with steel. However, sometimes they just don't have any work for me; then I surf on the internet. The more I learn, the more I'll be able to do.