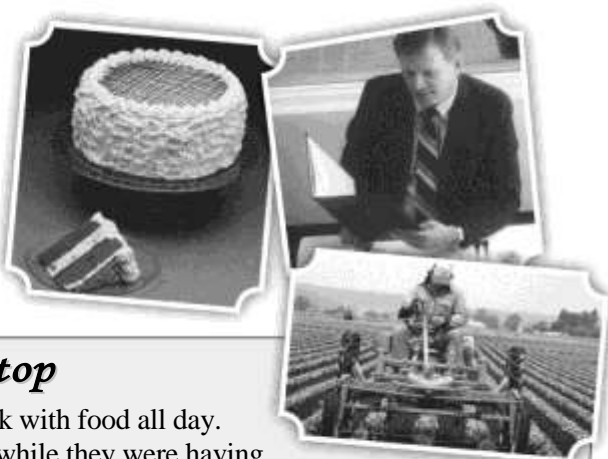


Key Competences Test 1

Test 1: READING

Competences:

C1: Understand and interpret reality
Search, collect, process and communicate information



1. Read the text.

Food Non-Stop

Everyone likes food, and some people are lucky enough to work with food all day. We interviewed three people with jobs from the world of food while they were having a break – and yes, it was their lunch break.

James, 33, has always dreamed of having a bakery. Several months ago, his dream came true when he opened a bakery right under his flat. "My wife and children wake up to the aroma of fresh bread. They love it!" James is very proud of the great variety of breads, cakes and biscuits in his bakery. Right now he is working on a new coffee cake recipe. "I don't mind working long hours because I love what I do," he says. "My only difficulty is watching my weight."

Alfie, 45, has worked as a food critic for a well-known magazine for eight years. What does he do? He goes to restaurants, has meals and then writes about the restaurants' food and atmosphere. He laughed at my question about hiding his identity: "No, I don't colour my hair or put on sunglasses and a hat so the restaurant workers won't recognise me. I'm not a detective. But I try to have a meal with friends and when I reserve a table, I don't use my real name." Alfie's job sounds like a dream job, but he says, "It isn't always fun. I eat at a restaurant three times before I write a review, so when the food is bad, that's not much fun."

Emma, 36, works with "old" food. In her local area, residents and restaurants separate their waste into five groups: plastic, glass, aluminium, paper and food, too! Emma helps to manage a food-waste recycling programme. While eating a big colourful salad, Emma was describing the recycling process to me, "Food decomposes in the ground, but it must have oxygen. In regular landfills there isn't oxygen and then the waste creates dangerous gases. In our programme, we compost the food waste and then we sell the organic fertilizer to farmers. In short, we use old food to grow new food. It's fantastic."

2. Tick the sentences (T) true or (F) false. Which sentences in the text give you the answer? Write those sentences.

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1. James lives far from his workplace.
2. James is worried about his diet.
3. Alfie has worked for the same workplace for several years.
4. Alfie wears special clothes and accessories to do his job well.
5. It isn't healthy for food waste to decompose in regular landfills.

3. Answer the questions.

- When did the writer interview the three people?
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- Why does the text mention coffee cake?
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- Which difficult part of his work doesn't James complain about?
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- Why doesn't Alfie use his real name when he reserves a table at a restaurant?
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- What does Alfie dislike about his job?
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- Why does Emma say, "We use old food to grow new food"?
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Test 1: WRITING

Competences:

C1: Communicate in written forms
Produce creative texts

Imagine you've just started your dream job. Write a paragraph to describe what you do, where you work and when you work. Include what you like about the job and what you don't like.

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