

## THEME 1 FUTURE JOBS VOCABULARY EXERCISES (SPICE UP)

### A. Match the jobs with their definitions.

**Drone traffic optimizer / human-machine teaming manager/ biofilm installer / waste engineer / UX designer**

1. a person who develops an interaction system between humans and machines
2. a person who makes a product or service enjoyable and accessible
3. a person who monitors flight paths to prevent chaos
4. a person who constructs smart and energy-efficient buildings
5. a person who coordinates waste collection and recycling operations

### B. Match the numbered idioms in the dialogue with their definitions. One is extra.

**under your belt / all ears / not my cup of tea.**

1. to listen carefully
2. safely or successfully achieved
3. to study regularly
4. something that someone likes or is good at

### C. Choose the correct option.

1. Culinary art is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) related to fine arts  
b) connected with cooking and kitchens
2. Hands-on experience is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) learning from practising something  
b) something that is done by machine
3. An intern is \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) an environmental volunteer who educates others  
b) a student or a trainee who works to gain work experience

### D. Match the highlighted expressions with their meanings.

**get into deep water / groundings / take matter into one's own hands / by word of mouth / conversation gaps / humour**

1. to do something yourself
2. lack of communication
3. being amusing or comic
4. to be in trouble
5. being told by another person
6. not to be allowed to do some acts

### E. Fill in the blanks using the correct words/expressions. One is extra.

**grounded / take matters into my own hands / mesmerising / culinary / by word of mouth  
empathy / hands-on experience / intern / in deep water**

1. Alara attended a cooking course to acquire more advanced \_\_\_\_\_ skills.
2. I think Boris seems to be \_\_\_\_\_ with his master's course. He doesn't know how he'll be able to keep up with all the work he's been assigned.
3. The performance of Andrea Bocelli was so \_\_\_\_\_ that the audience stood still as if they were hypnotised.
4. The boss \_\_\_\_\_ the new intern for not taking the important issues into account.

5. I'm going to \_\_\_\_\_ and start supervising the work directly because the project isn't being managed properly.
6. Jessica volunteered for an extracurricular project to work on because she believes that gaining \_\_\_\_\_ will improve her skills and practical work.
7. Our bakery is quite small. We don't have the budget for a big marketing campaign, so we'll just have to hope that the buzz about our shop gets spread \_\_\_\_\_
8. Ryan is planning to work as a/an \_\_\_\_\_ at a law firm this summer to gain some experience.

**F. Fill in the mini dialogues with the given words below. One is extra.**

**multilingual / keep up with / scholarship / career / inquire / response / innovative**

1. Sue: Guess what? It's official! I'm going to Harvard!

Jim: Wow! You won a \_\_\_\_\_ to Harvard! You're more than amazing!

2. Dila: Why do you want to change your current job?

Dan: I feel as if I'm ready for another stage in my \_\_\_\_\_ as an architect.

3. Phil: I suppose \_\_\_\_\_ thinking is the skill of the future.

May: I agree with you. Those who think creatively bring new ideas into the workplace.

4. Marc: Technologies such as artificial intelligence and cloud computing are growing rapidly.

Dave: You're right. It's really hard to \_\_\_\_\_ them.

5. Tina: Many people who work as UX designers at the company are \_\_\_\_\_

Brad: That's superb! More languages mean more connections.

6. Jude: Sooner or later, the new boss will \_\_\_\_\_ why I'm often late in the mornings.

Mila: Tell the truth that you are a single parent, and you have to wait for the babysitter.

**G. Look at the steps to make an appointment and match them with the following statements.**

**1. Introduce oneself 2. Reason for calling 3. Ask for more information 4. Suggest a time 5. Check and confirm**

- a) May I speak to Jonathan Norris, please?
- b) Can you tell me what it's about?
- c) Hello, Alison Harvey speaking.
- d) OK, let me take a look at his diary.
- e) I'd like to schedule an interview at our office.
- f) Would you mind if I asked what it's regarding?
- g) I can fit you in tomorrow.
- h) So, that's Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.
- i) Would Tuesday morning be convenient for you?
- j) It is about the advertising campaign.
- k) OK, thanks! See you on Friday at 2:00 p.m.