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VOLUNTEER JOBS



We hear it all the time.

"I'm a teen looking for my first job, but employers all seem to want experience and I don't have any. What do I do?"

We've got one word for you - volunteer.

Volunteering is the best way to get the experience you need to score a great teen job. You might be surprised at how easy it is to find a volunteer position that fits your interests. These five opportunities are both fun and will show potential employers that you're responsible. Not only will volunteering help you score a teen job, but it can actually help you get into college!

Are you interested in TV and movies?

If you want to be the next Katie Couric or Quentin Tarantino, then consider volunteering at your local PBS or public access station. They're always looking for people to run cameras and help out with other behind-the-scenes work. You'll meet and learn all about video production from the experts, giving you a head start on your future career.

Are you interested in working with children?

Camps, daycares and church groups offer great volunteer opportunities for teens who like to work with children. You'll need to be patient, caring and organized. Those of you thinking about a future career in teaching may want to work your way up to a volunteer position as a teacher or camp counselor. It's a great way to learn more about the ins and outs of the profession and will help you to see if you're a good fit.



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Are you interested in history or science?

Call up your local museum or aquarium. You may end up helping feed the sharks or end up conducting museum tours. You may also end up helping with paperwork and other administrative work. Check to find out if there are any requirements before applying, because some museums and aquariums require that you be a certain age or have a teacher's recommendation.

Are you interested in medicine?

You can really make a difference in the lives of others by volunteering at a hospital or nursing home. Whether you help deliver food to the bedridden or play chess with bored patients, you'll be helping to improve the quality of someone's life.

Adapted from: http://www.snagajob.com/resources/teen-job-experience/



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Reading Comprehension (7 marks)

I. Choose the correct answer (2 marks)

- 1. What is true about volunteer jobs? Volunteering
- A. requires previous experience.
- B. always involves working abroad.
- C. means working full-time for an employer.
- D. is an activity that provides services for no financial benefit.
- 2. TV professionals can teach you techniques of
- A. personal growth.
- B. video production.
- C. time management.
- D. good presentation skills.
- 3. If you are interested in working with children, you can volunteer only if you
- A. are a teacher.
- B. are a camp counselor.
- C. belong to a church group.
- D. are a patient and caring person.
- 4. Volunteering at a hospital or nursing home means
- A. playing chess all the time.
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	ving questions according to the information given in the text. entences using your own words. Do not copy from the text
1. What are the advant	ages of volunteering?
2. Who should conside	r volunteering as a teacher or camp counselor? Why?
IV. Find words in the	text meaning the following: (1 mark)
enjoyment	
backstage	
friendly, loving	
asking, requesting	

Writing (3 marks)

disinterested, dull

Write an answer to one of the questions below (80-100 words).



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Are you ready to become a volunteer? and learn English at the same time?

What kind of area would you volunteer in?

Where would you like to go?

Why do you think you can be a good volunteer?

Write a text telling the volunteering organization all about you and your wish to work with them.

2. Yesterday in your English class, your teacher asked you the following:

If you could start your own charity, what would your mission be? Who would you serve? What kinds of acts of service would volunteers perform?

Write a text answering these questions.



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- 1. It's hard to find a volunteer position that you may like.

This sentence is FALSE because as the text says, 'You might be surprised at how easy it is to find a volunteer position that fits your interests'.

2. You may have to meet certain conditions to be accepted as a volunteer in a museum or aquarium.

This sentence is TRUE because according to the text: 'Check to find out if there are any requirements before applying, because some museums and aquariums require that you be a certain age or have a teacher's recommendation'.

- III. Answer the following questions according to the information given in the text. Write complete sentences using your own words. Do not copy from the text (2 marks)
- 1. What are the advantages of volunteering?

Volunteering can help you score a great teen job and get into college. In addition, it can show potential employers that you're responsible.

2. Who should consider volunteering as a teacher or camp counselor? Why?

Those who should consider volunteering as a teacher of camp counselors are those teens who like to work with children or those of you thinking about a future career in teaching because it's a great way to learn more about the ins and outs of those professions and will help you to see if you're a good fit.

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