

IELTS LISTENING S53T1

JOB HUNTING

STUDENT 1: Oh hi, Anna. How's it going? I haven't seen you since graduation.

STUDENT 2: Hi Bradley. Things are great I've been traveling around Europe for the last month, but now that I'm back I really need to find a job, so I can start renting my own place.

STUDENT 1: Yeah me too, my mum's driving me crazy. I've got an interview on Thursday it's a company called Power, I'm pretty nervous.

STUDENT 2: Don't worry, I'm sure you'll do great. Do you know what the job involves?

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STUDENT 1: Well the company has many sections like sourcing, materials, and taking care of waste management. But I'm interviewing for a job in the **01** warehouse section.

STUDENT 2: Wow, I bet that will be really interesting.

STUDENT 1: You should apply too, they still have a couple of jobs left. I found the job I'm interviewing for on their website. The reference is SW35FT.

STUDENT 2: Thanks Bradley, that's really nice of you I'll apply later today. Is there a contact I could ask for?

STUDENT 1: The manager is Susan Thatcher, but you should contact her personal assistant her name is Jane _{O2} **Hitcher**.

STUDENT 2: How do you spell the surname for me, please?

STUDENT 1: Yes, it's H-I-T-C-H-E-R.

STUDENT 2: Okay great. I actually found a job listing for a place at Cotton, but the work hours don't suit me, you should look into it.

STUDENT 1: Ah, that's the grocery company, right? I heard that the jobs in their distribution office are really well paid.

STUDENT 2: The advertisement I saw was looking for people to work in the _{Q3} **supermarket** office but the pay still looked very good.

STUDENT 1: Was there a description of the job?

STUDENT 2: The company is looking to increase their production of cakes and pastries so you would be working as a cook in the O4 bakery. After a month they evaluate your performance and there's potentially an opportunity for promotion to a management position. **STUDENT 1:** That sounds like a great opportunity I'll definitely look into it. Do you have the reference number? I'll write it down in my notebook. STUDENT 2: Sure, I also have the reference for a job at the art museum I'll give you the reference for that first, it's SGH667. **STUDENT 1:** Great, that's really near my house. And what's the reference number for the bakery job at Cotton? **STUDENT 2:** The reference is **OS ARW204**. **STUDENT 1:** I'll send them my application this afternoon. Who's the contact? **STUDENT 2:** The name on the advert was Melanie, but it specifically said not to contact her in person. You should use the office as your contact so just post your application there directly. STUDENT 1: You seem to have found way more job listings than I have. Where are you finding them all? STUDENT 2: At first, I was keeping an eye out for listings on the internet but all of the jobs listed there were in the city. I found that the best place to find local jobs was in magazine O6 adverts. **STUDENT 1:** Adverts? **STUDENT 2:** You know the section at the back of job plus magazine. **STUDENT 1:** Where can I buy that? **STUDENT 2:** You don't buy it, it's a free magazine, just go to your nearest corner shop and buy the O7 **newspapers**. The magazine comes with it. STUDENT 1: Oh, I never realized. My mum buys the newspaper every week so there's probably a copy lying around at home somewhere, I'll have a look for it when I get back. All this job hunting is so stressful and time-consuming. **STUDENT 2:** I can't wait until it's over, either I'm so tempted just to pay someone to do all this for me. **STUDENT 1:** What do you mean? **STUDENT 2:** I could go to a recruitment seminar or to an _{O8} agency. STUDENT 1: The agency sounds like a great idea. They charge a fee before taking you on as a client though plus only large corporations hire new employees through an agency. STUDENT 2: Well I think it would be exciting. STUDENT 1: If you decide to go to an agency make sure you take your student card with you. Your student status is valid for another month and agencies often give students a 10 percent discount. **STUDENT 2:** Okay great. I'll remember that. STUDENT 1: All of the placements I've applied to require a referee. I've never had a job before so I don't know who to ask. Who did you use? STUDENT 2: I had a summer job working as a waitress so I asked my old boss I got on with him really well so I trusted him to give me a good reference if you haven't had a job before you should ask one of your O9 tutors. STUDENT 1: That's a really good idea. I used to really enjoy my history classes with Mr Fredericks perhaps I'll ask him. STUDENT 2: I miss being a student, I don't feel mature enough to be earning money and finding a place of my own. STUDENT 1: Yeah university was great. Have you heard about their summer program? I'm thinking of applying for the art course. **STUDENT 2:** That sounds like fun. Do you have to pay? **STUDENT 1:** No the tutors are running it as a research project you just need to fill out a O10 feedback form at the end. STUDENT 2: Great well I'll see you there. Good luck with your job hunting. **STUDENT 1:** Thanks. Good luck to you too, see you soon.

STUDENT 2: Bye.

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