



Tapescript for Exercise 5 (to be heard twice)

Radio Presenter: We all have our own ideas about what certain jobs are like, but are we right? Today, we're going to hear three people talking about their very different jobs. Our first guest is James Barnes, a business executive. James, what kind of qualities do you need to be a business executive?

Business Executive: Being a business executive requires a number of qualities. You definitely have to be **hard working** or you'll never succeed. You also have to be **persuasive**, since doing business is all about getting people to see things your way. There are plenty of good things about being an executive: I mean, it's a **well paid** job, and **people respect me** for what I do. On the other hand, **there's a lot of travelling** and I **don't have much free time**. I enjoy it, though — it's the right kind of work for me.

Radio Presenter: Thank you, James. Our next guest today is Reg Bowles. Reg, what does it take to be a fire-fighter?

Fire-fighter: Well, the first thing you have to be is **courageous**. You have to keep **calm** at all times, and of course you have to be **fit** as well. The great thing about the job is helping people — you have the chance to **save lives**. It can be **exciting**, as well. Unfortunately it's a **dangerous** job. It's possible to get injured or even die on the job. Considering the risks, it's **not well paid** either. On the whole, though, I think the good things outweigh the bad ones.

Radio Presenter: I see. Thank you Reg. Finally, our last guest today is Jenny Baxter, a nurse. Jenny, what are the most important qualities for a nurse to possess?

Nurse: First and foremost, a nurse has to be **patient**. Sick people can be very difficult, and the worst thing you can do is lose your temper. You have to be **sympathetic** and **caring** too, so that people know you care about them. It's a very **satisfying** job — you always know you've done your best to **help people**. Unfortunately, it's **not a well paid** job, not in Britain anyway. It can be very **upsetting** as well, especially when people die. I can't imagine doing another job, though — nursing is my life.

Radio Presenter: Thank you, Jenny, and thank you again James and Reg. Now if you would like to know more about... (FADE).