

Activity 10

SCRIPT:

Working Conditions

My working hours are very reasonable—40 hours a week, Mondays to Fridays only, and I get four weeks holiday. I always go on a two-week vacation in summer, and I take another week to go and travel in winter. That still leaves a few days if I want to take time off for something else. My company even allows taking unpaid leave if necessary. I have to clock in and clock out, so we have to do the right number of hours.

Women get generous maternity leave, and there are a lot of women working full time and part time here, so they have time with their new-born children.

I'm a full-time, white collar worker, hoping to make a career. My colleague and I have permanent contracts. At least, we think so; it's hard to be sure about job incentives these days. We are consulted if they want to change our duties or anything.

The entire workforce of the company is well treated. The company blue-collar workers, doing manual jobs, also have good conditions of employment.

There used to be a lot of absenteeism and a high turnover. Now we get paid based on our performance.