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If you've just graduated from college and you've never had a job, you can start your career by **doing an internship** to gain experience.

Depending on the company, the internship could lead to an opportunity to get an **entry-level job** at the same company.

Although you might be earning **minimum wage** (*the minimum salary required by law*),

if you do excellent work and are a **good team player** you could **get a promotion** or **get a pay rise** – hopefully both! Just don't slack off, otherwise you'll **be fired/dismissed**.

It's normal for there to be periods of time when you have a **heavy workload** and need to **work overtime**.

But if you have a very **demanding job** and you're stressed out all the time, then it might be time to **quit your job** (*or resign*) and look for another one.

Now that you have experience, you'll be able to **get a job** with a more **competitive salary** (*salary that is higher than average*) and **generous benefits**.

If you can't find a **well-paid** and **rewarding job** in your field, it might be time for a **career change**.

The typical way of **applying for a job** is to read the **job ads** in the newspaper or online, then send your **CV** to the company with a cover letter. The company will then **interview the candidates** it feels are most qualified, based on the **job description**.

Sometimes **job seekers** need to take a **menial job** in order to **earn a living** while they're **between jobs**.

But if you're persistent, a **great job offer** should come your way sooner or later – maybe even for your **dream!**