

scrape through

take something in
your stride

stand someone in
good stead

half-hearted

be reliant on

close-knit

do networking

make the best of
something

liaise

set one's heart on

take someone on

vouch for

have an impact

hand in your
resignation

take no for a
answer

main priority

against the odds

feasible

productive

part and parcel

tight deadlines

take advantage of

from all walks of
life

take something
personally

Success

- How difficult is it to achieve success in your country?
- What helps people be successful?
- Do you know any high-flyers?
- Is success important to you?
- What part does luck play in success?
- Do you think you can teach someone to be successful?

working relationship	Build up rapport	satisfying
take the initiative	monotonous	
comprehensive healthcare provision		rewarding
meet a deadline	perks	dead-end job
stuck behind a desk	unsocial hours	benefits package
get salary increments	land a new job	seek a career in
holiday entitlement	master new skills	vocational work
on a maternity leave	a cushy number	subsidized canteen
nine-to-five job	get priorities right	stuck in a rut
ambitious achievers	carve a niche for myself	
Realise your potential	go freelance	
Overcome obstacles	get out of the rat race	
	get a foot in the door	
build up a network of contacts	to be at the top of the ladder	
	go from strength to strength	

Jobs

- What is your dream job?
- What kind of jobs have you had?
- Are there many good job vacancies for you in your country?
- How many jobs do you think you'll have in your life?
- Are there any jobs you would refuse to do, regardless of the pay?
- What do you think the job of being an English teacher is like?
- Is being a housewife a job? Should women get paid for this?
- What are the toughest jobs in the world?

Interruption

- Sorry to stop you, but ...
 - Is it okay if I jump in for a second?
 - If I might add something...
 - Can I throw my two cents in?
 - Sorry to interrupt, but...
 - Would you mind if I jumped in with an idea?
 - Can I add something here?
 - Could I make a suggestion?
 - If I could put a word in here ..
- Sorry to butt in..

Collaboration/Negotiation/Disagreement

- Isn't it sometimes the case that...?
- That may well be so, but I wonder if...
- I would think that this is unlikely to hold true in all cases, but...
 - Might it not be the case that...?
- It's impossible to be categorical about something like this, but...
 - I'm not entirely convinced that would be true.
 - How far would you regard that as feasible?
- It's difficult to give a «yes» or «no» answer, but...
- I have no hard and fast view on this, really, but...
 - Have you considered the possibility that...?
 - Yes, but on the other hand...
- I don't entirely agree. It seems to me that...
 - I'm in two minds about that.
 - I do see your point, but...

The Internet has no place in the classroom

Teaching is simply spreading knowledge

It takes practice to maintain discipline in a classroom

Talent is not a guarantee of success yet

Labour, which is pleasant to us, heals the grief

Financially disadvantaged background may prevent you from achieving success

You have to be calculating and brash in order to become successful