

# AFARINESH IELTS RADIO –

## Podcast 21

### Speaking Part 3

- What kinds of jobs do young people not want to do in your country?

I think the youngsters are sort of growing **touchy**, they'd easily be **put off** if the job they're supposed to apply for involves anything close to manual work. My lil brother's actually a case in point. I kinda remember that there was a time that he'd do anything for a decent amount of salary, he actually did a **stint** as a waiter at good burger **joint** in the **hood**. Well, to be honest this sort of personal trait of him has unfortunately **undergone an about-face**. You know he thinks stuff should be **handed over to him on a silver platter**. Gotta tell u this ain't just my brother who feels that way, kinda being around others with similar attitudes has somehow **rubbed off on him**.

- Who is best at advising people about choosing a job? Teachers or parents.

I guess both maybe. U know I have this theory that you **cannot** ever **get enough of** good advice. The more u **garner** experience the better you will act in critical situations. teachers are I'd say more **sophisticated**, u ever need to make a logical decision whether to choose a job or not, u can make sure the teachers ideas definitely **make** more **sense** than others u know why? Cause they're supposed to be a **beacon** showing us the right way. On the other hand, parents feel for their children and they're more emotionally supportive this happens actually when they find their children **on the horns of a dilemma**.

- Is money the most important thing when choosing a job?

I believe that money is ONE of the important things to be **taken into account** before deciding whether to go for a job or think better of it. The **dough** is worth nothing if it means sacrificing your **face time** with your family. I mean most people are willing to **have 9 to five jobs** but going beyond that, something that requires you to work shifts back-to-back would definitely drive anyone insane after a while. We, human being are **hard-wired** to be greedy it doesn't make any difference how much u make a year, you'd always be **hustling** for more and more, we kinda have to learn how to **curb** our **insatiable** desires like our hunger for money.

## Collocations and Useful Phrases:

### **Touchy**

easily becoming offended or annoyed SYN sensitive touchy about She is very touchy about her past.

### **Put somebody off**

to make you dislike something or not want to do something:

Don't let the restaurant's decor put you off – the food is really good.

### **A stint**

a period of time spent doing a particular job or activity

### **stint in/at**

Mark did a two-year stint in the arm

### **Joint**

a cheap bar, club, or restaurant: a hamburger joint

### **Hood**

American English informal a neighborhood

### **Undergo**

if you undergo a change, an unpleasant experience etc, it happens to you or is done to you:

The country has undergone massive changes recently.

### **About-face**

a complete change in the way someone thinks or behaves

**SYN U-turn:** The administration seems to have done a complete about-face on gun-control.

### **give/hand sth to sb on a (silver) platter**

to allow someone to get something very easily, without having to work for it:

If you sell your share in the company now, you're handing the ownership to him on a silver platter.

if a feeling, quality, or habit  **rubs off on you**, you start to have it because you are with another person who has it

She refused to give up, and her confidence rubbed off on the others.

### **can't get enough of something/somebody**

to enjoy something so much that you want more and more of it

: Her millions of fans can't get enough of her.

**Garner**

to take or collect something, especially information or support

**glean**

The party garnered 70 percent of the vote.

**Sophisticated**

having a lot of experience of life, and good judgment about socially important things such as art, fashion etc:

a sophisticated, witty American

**Make sense**

a) to have a clear meaning and be easy to understand:

Read this and tell me if it makes sense

b) to be a sensible thing to do

**Beacon**

a person, idea etc that guides or encourages you

**be on the horns of a dilemma**

to be in a situation in which you have to choose between two equally unpleasant or difficult situations

**Take sth into account**

to consider or include particular facts or details when making a decision or judgment about something

**Dough**

money

**Face time**

time that you spend talking to someone when you are with them, rather than on the telephone face time with

In return for his donation, he wanted face time with the President.

**Hard-wired**

if an attitude, way of behaving etc is hard-wired, it is a natural part of a person's character that they are born with and cannot change:

The desire to communicate seems to be hard-wired into our brains.

**Hustle**

to do something with a lot of energy and determination:

Cindy's not a great player, but she really hustles.

**Curb**

to control or limit something in order to prevent it from having a harmful effect:

measures to curb the spread of the virus

**Insatiable**

always wanting more and more of something

**insatiable** appetite/desire/demand etc

(for something) his insatiable appetite for power

Our insatiable thirst for knowledge

**insatiably** adverb