
Working is a part of life.

People earn money at their jobs.

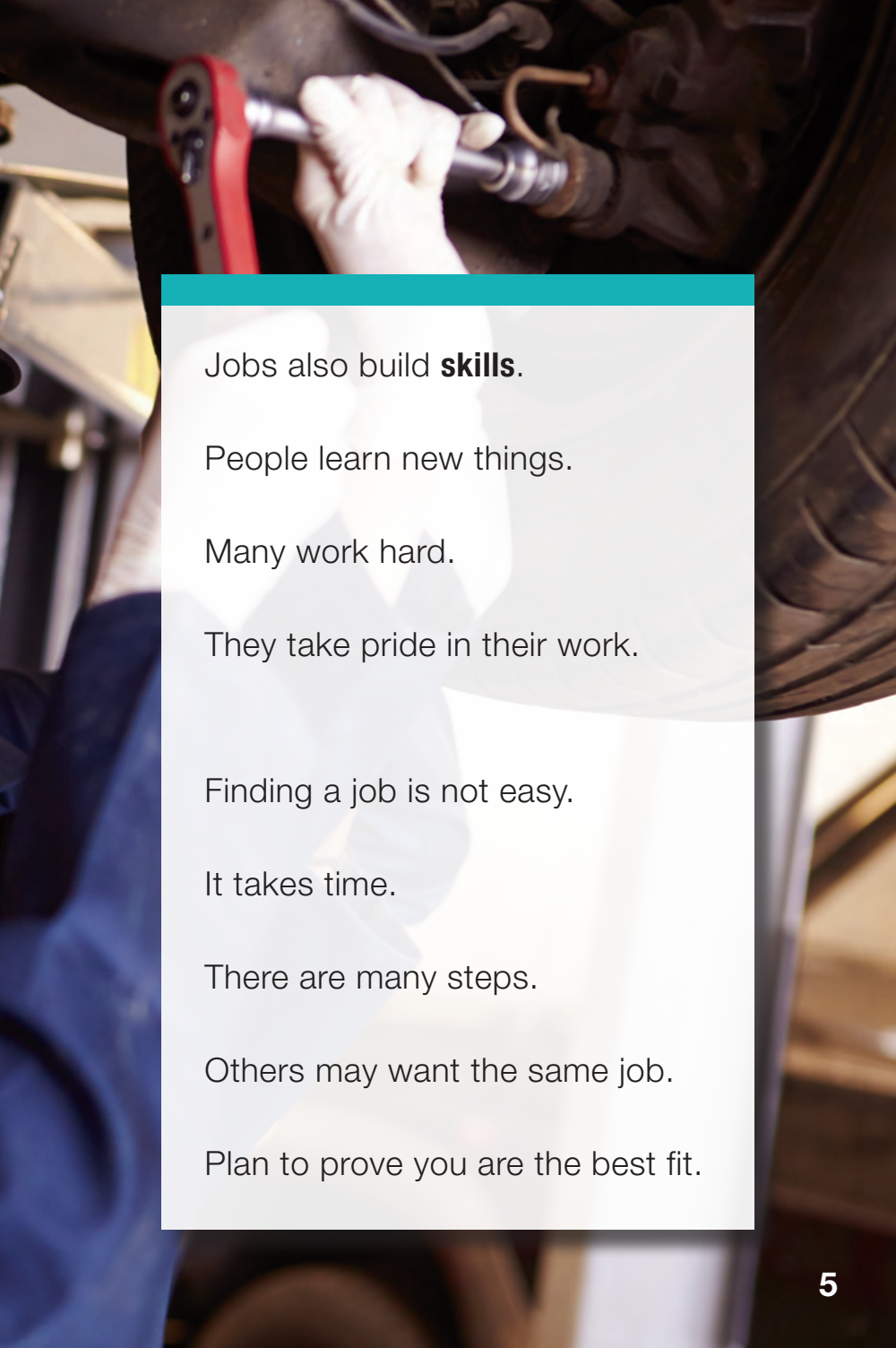
They can buy food and pay rent.

Any extra can be used for fun.









Jobs also build **skills**.

People learn new things.

Many work hard.

They take pride in their work.

Finding a job is not easy.

It takes time.

There are many steps.

Others may want the same job.

Plan to prove you are the best fit.

Get ready for the job search.

Prepare a **resume**.

This gives facts about you.

Companies want to know who you are.

A resume is a good way to introduce yourself.



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dream jobs

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Emma, Jess, and Matt were friends. The three had grown up together. Their parents were friends. They went to the same school. Summers were spent at Camp Arrowhead.

It was the last week of camp. High school was starting soon.

Each camper was able to choose one class. Emma had chosen gardening. Jess went with cooking. Matt picked computers. They spent every morning in class.

Afternoons were spent doing activities. Some days they swam. Other days they played games.

They always ate lunch together. Most days they talked about their classes.

Emma loved her class. She was planning a garden at home. Her parents had already agreed. There was space in the yard for her. Fall planting would be a big job. But she couldn't wait.

Jess had always liked cooking. Her class did some baking too. Matt's birthday had been the week before. She made a cake for him.

Matt was learning all about computers. Every day he practiced coding. The class took apart computers. He learned how to rebuild them.

Computer games took up the rest of the time. He didn't know which he liked better. All were fun in their own ways.