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Employment – 8

Before Reading

1) Do the activity on page 167 , use examples given for activities ii, iii & v

(ii) State whether the following utterances are advantages or disadvantages of self-employment. Put them into the correct column.

Savings on some expenses / Isolation / More flexible schedules / Difficulty in picking up work / unstable income / Loss of clients / Rush work hours / freedom to choose your work / Financial rewards / Less job security

Advantages	Disadvantages

(iii) Ex : A teacher

Reasons – Can support students / Can impart knowledge to others / Great service / Plays a vital role in modeling a life of a student / Imparts not only academic knowledge but also shares ethical values / shapes our personality as a better human being

(v) Difficulties

Ex : A big competition in the job market

Lack of experience in the relevant job

Lack of confidence

2. a) Do the activity on page 168

b) Check your answers

1	toil	Hard work, also struggle
2	To strive	To make great effort to achieve something
3	Self-actualisation	Understanding and reaping the benefits of one's own talents and skills
4	Perseverance	The act of continuing with an opinion or actions in spite of difficulty
5	Law abiding	Obeying the law
6	Obligation	Duties, commitments or responsibility

While Reading

3) Read the poem and answer the questions.

1. What is this poem about?
2. Write the line which says that life cannot be so comfortable.
3. Underline the most appropriate option.

“Hustle in the midst of the bustle” means

- a) Busy with excited activity
 - b) Angry because of too much work.
 - c) Busy with too many responsibilities.
 - d) Tired of hard work.
4. Fill in the blank with one word. Do not use any idea which is not in the poem.

When you are your employers are unable to pay you.

5. Find words from the poem which are similar in meaning.

- i. disturbances :.....
- ii. a lazy person :.....