

Women and work

An old proverb says: "a woman's place is at home". But at the present time, at least in Europe, this is not true more. Women are more attracted by work outside the home. Their living conditions have changed and got better thanks to modern progress: women's education and human rights.

All women consider work as a necessity of modern life. While single women work to earn their living and help their families, married women work to give financial help to their husbands as the cost of living is always going up.

Most women do traditional women's jobs like secretaries and nurses. However, some of them have already started taking men's jobs, e.g.: pilots, electricians, plumbers, bus-drivers, etc.

With more much pressure on women working both inside and outside the home, are men prepared to help with the housework?



Answer these questions about the text.

1- What makes women's conditions today different from the past? -----

2- Why do working wives help their husbands financially? -----

3- What type of jobs do most women take? -----

Are these statements true or false? Justify.

1- For the Europeans the old proverb is still true. -----

2- Single women work to pay for their personal costs only. -----

3- Most women have already started taking men's jobs. -----

Find in the text words that mean the same as:

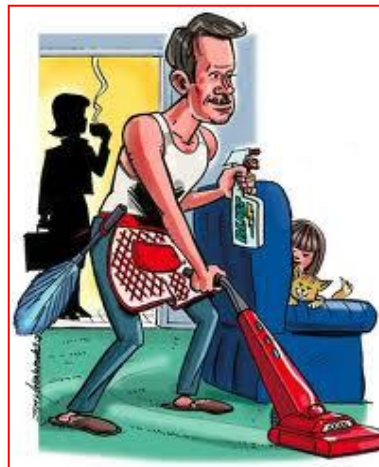
1- unmarried (paragraph 2) -----

2- ready (paragraph 4) -----

Complete these sentences.

1- More women in Europe are working outside the home. Consequently, -----

2- As women are working both inside and outside the home, men -----



Writing:

Are you for or against women's work outside home?