

Skills at Work

Read about jobs and the skills people use to do them.

SS.4.FL.1.1 "People have many different types of jobs from which to choose. Identify different jobs requiring people to have different skills."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each job title. Circle the words or phrases that tell skills needed for that job, so you can connect jobs with skills.

A Visit to the Job Fair

- ① On Saturday, Maya visited the Riverbend Community Center's job fair. She learned that people choose jobs in many fields. A veterinary assistant helps care for animals at a clinic. This worker needs to notice changes in an animal, follow directions carefully, and speak kindly to pet owners. Training can help a person build these skills.
- ② At another booth, an electrician explained how electricians install and repair electrical systems. They read plans, use tools accurately, and follow safety rules. An electrician must solve problems when a light or outlet does not work. The job requires careful hands and knowledge of how electricity can be used safely at homes, schools, and businesses.
- ③ Near the exit, a park ranger and a baker described their work. The ranger leads visitors, protects natural areas, and explains park rules. Listening, clear speaking, and knowledge of nature are useful ranger skills. The baker measures ingredients, follows recipes, and plans work so food is ready on time. Measuring accurately and managing time are important baking skills.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Which job requires a worker to notice changes in animals and speak kindly to pet owners?

2 Name two skills an electrician uses.

3 How are a park ranger's skills different from a baker's skills?

4 Name two jobs from the passage and tell what each worker follows.

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Choose a job that is not named in the passage. Write three sentences that name the job and explain at least two skills a person needs to do it.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each job title. Circle the words or phrases that tell skills needed for that job, so you can connect jobs with skills. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which job requires a worker to notice changes in animals and speak kindly to pet owners?	A veterinary assistant.
2	Name two skills an electrician uses.	Answers may include reading plans, using tools accurately, following safety rules, solving problems, careful hand use, or knowing how to use electricity safely.
3	How are a park ranger's skills different from a baker's skills?	A park ranger needs skills such as listening, clear speaking, and knowledge of nature. A baker needs skills such as measuring accurately, following recipes, and managing time.
4	Name two jobs from the passage and tell what each worker follows.	Answers may include: A veterinary assistant follows directions carefully. An electrician follows safety rules. A baker follows recipes.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A firefighter responds to emergencies and helps protect people. A firefighter needs to stay calm and work well with a team. This job also requires learning how to use safety equipment.

Accept any accurate job not named in the passage and at least two skills that fit that job. Students may use different words for skills when their explanations are reasonable.