

My future is in Russia

1 READING Career prospects

a) Warm-up

1. What jobs (professions) do you know?
2. What did you want to be in your childhood?
3. Have you done any jobs in your life? What were they?

b) Read the article about trends on the job market.



Work is an essential part of our lives. Research data shows that people work for many reasons. The main one is people go working to earn money for food, rent and other needs to support their families. Most people want to gain social status; they consider financial and personal independence are necessary to live a satisfying life. Others follow their passion though they may not earn as much as they can. Working is a place where they can find satisfaction, socialization, skill development and generate their ideas.

Today the world of work is changing rapidly. Things like global integration, technological and digital transformation, changing demographics are reshaping the job market. All these changes lead to the loss of many jobs we are used to need. As a result, some jobs are in decline and others have disappeared. If you are an accountant, a cashier, a postman, a taxi or train driver, your position is on the verge of extinction. Modern engineers, architects and designers use special computer programs and a number of draftsmen who do plans, graphs, drawings and charts are being replaced by new ones based on artificial intellect. According to forecast of some labour market experts, some new and promising professions may enter the top professions of the future. Here are the most promising ones for the coming years: a cybersecurity specialist, a bioengineer, a 3D printing engineer, a marketing analyst, IT-developers of technologies.

The level of digitization is rising everywhere, creating comfort and changing industries. Changes in the career field can be confusing and even frightening for many job seekers. So the most important skill to succeed in the job market is a continuous professional evolution. It is often

called lifelong learning. If you take it into account, you will remain a demand professional in the world of tomorrow.

#### KEY WORDS

essential part – важная часть

support – поддерживать

gain – получать

global integration – мировая интеграция

reshape - менять

decline – упадок

on the verge of extinction – на грани исчезновения

artificial intellect – искусственный интеллект

according to forecast – согласно прогнозам

promising – перспективный

confusing – вводящий в заблуждение

c) Answer the questions:

1. What criteria are important to people when choosing a job?
2. What professions do you think can disappear in the near future?
3. What professions will appear soon?
4. Is choosing a career today more complicated than it was in the past? Why?

2. Discuss the quotes.

Read the quotes and explain what you think they mean. Then, say whether any of them applies to your experience.

“The future depends on what you do today?” – Mahatma Gandhi

“The only way to do great job is to love what you do. If you haven’t found it yet, keep looking. Don’t settle.” – Steve Jobs

“Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work.” - Aristotle

“Ambition is the path to success.” – Bill Bradley