**Exercise 1. Answer the questions about Alexandra.**

1. Where is she from?
2. Did she always want to be a chef?
3. What was her first position?
4. Was her first salary high?
5. What were the advantages of her first job?
6. Did it take long until she was promoted?
7. How many employees did she have under her control?
8. Why did she left her first job?
9. Did she resign from her second position or was she told to leave?
10. What was her third place of work?
11. Did she like her job in the restaurant from the very beginning?
12. What were her duties in the restaurant besides cooking?
13. What is the key to Alexandra’s success?

**Exercise 2. What do these numbers mean to Alexandra Pappas’ life? Find the answer in the UNIT.**

1. two years
2. three years
3. five years
4. twenty years
5. a month
6. six months
7. five employees
8. ten restaurants
9. thirty years old
10. eighty years old

**Exercise 3. Replace the words***in italics***with their synonyms from the UNIT.**

1. When I was young I *wrote an official request* for a job of a pilot but I got a polite refusal.
2. I have been working here my whole life: I started 30 years ago as *a very junior person in the company*.
3. When I started my career 10 years ago I *had a* very low *salary* – it was almost nothing.
4. I think he’s a very promising worker; his *future possibilities in the job* are really great.
5. Nobody expected her *to be given a higher position with more money and responsibility* so soon.
6. How many *workers* are under your control?
7. What do you think of your *boss*? Do you like him?
8. I think I’m fed up with my job – it is so boring! I need *a new exciting situation*.
9. I’m not sure I would always like working in Russia. One day I would like *to go to another country*.
10. It goes without saying that such job*includes* a lot of foreign travel.
11. She was always late at work that’s why the company *sacked* her.
12. My grand mother is 69 years old but she’s not going to *stop working completely*.
13. When I last saw Jim he was still *without a job* and ready for any kind of work.

**Exercise 4. Complete these sentences with a suitable word.**

1. He's not happy in his own country. He wants to work …
2. I don't want a full-time job. I'd prefer to work …
3. She'd like to go on another training …
4. I'm bored in my job. I need a fresh …
5. At the end of this year we should get a good pay …
6. She's got more than a hundred workers under ...
7. I didn't know he was the new manager. When did he take…?
8. I know it's not a great job. How much does she…?
9. I think it was a good position – it was stupid not to … for it.
10. For the real professional there’s always room for …

**Exercise 5.**

**Complete the table.**

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| verb | general noun | person |
| manage |  |  |
| promote |  |  |
| employ |  |  |
| resign |  |  |
| retire |  |  |
| train |  |  |

**Exercise 6. Put in the right endings to the underlined words.**

1. Paula’s first job was quite interest…
2. Paula was very interest… in foreign travels.
3. Alexandra was really bor… with her job, so she decided to leave it.
4. Her new job wasn’t bor… but nevertheless she didn’t like it.
5. Paula’s first training course seemed very excit… for her.
6. She was very excit… about getting new career opportunity.
7. Her new boss wasn’t very pleas… with her work.