

There are many jobs at the television station. Some of them are people you see. If you watch the news, you see people reading the news. But there are many people working there. You do not see them all.

There is a producer. That job is important. That person makes sure the news is ready. The producer tells a reporter where to go and who to talk to about the story.

The reporter will interview someone. The reporter will make a list of questions. Sometimes the reporter will take a taxi to a place. Sometimes they will go in a car.

There is a news director. The director learns what is happening in the city. The director chooses what stories to put on the news. If it is important, the director will put it into the news. Then the producer will send a reporter to get the story.

There are workers who use cameras. They make sure that the picture is clear. They make sure that you can see what is happening.

There are news writers. They write about the news. They tell what is happening.

There is an editor. The editor reads the stories. The editor changes the stories. The editor makes them clearer. The editor makes them interesting.

There are two people who read the news on the show. They tell what is happening. They are called anchors. They may talk about the news, too.

There is a weather reporter on the news. That reporter tells the forecast. The weather is always changing. The reporter needs to explain the weather. So this reporter needs to know a lot about weather. The reporter uses maps to tell what is going to happen.

The news program tells you what is happening. It tells what will happen, too. It tells you the weather forecast.

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Choose the best answer for each question

1. What skill does a news anchor need?

- a. how to drive
- b. how to use a computer
- c. how to read
- d. how to use a camera

2. What skill does a news editor need?

- a. how to cook
- b. how to plan
- c. how to make a book
- d. how to write

3. What skill does a reporter need?

- a. how to drive
- b. how to plan
- c. how to write a book
- d. how to use math

4. What skill does a weather reporter need?

- a. how to write
- b. how to read
- c. how to plan
- d. how to drive

5. *Write your own answer to this question. What does a director do when something happens in the city?*

TEACHER NOTES: Develop Students' Skills: Exercise Thinking

These questions have not been validated, so decisions about student's achievement should not be made based on their responses. They are intended to exercise skills. Recommended activities include: students work in pairs to choose the best response; give students the questions without the responses so they generate their own answers; students make up additional questions; students make up questions like these for another passage.

Answers: *You can remove this answer key and then give it to students and ask them to figure out the basis for the correct response.*

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| Item | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Answer | c | d | b | b |

Question 5 is open-ended. Here is a suggested response.
Decides if it will be on the news.