

THE SECTION THAT HELPS YOU FIND WORK

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IF you're homeless, finding a job can seem an impossible challenge. Few employers will accept workers without a permanent address.

But now supermarket chain Morrisons have launched a drive to give jobs to 1,000 homeless people.

A pilot scheme in Leeds has already placed five former rough sleepers in shopfloor jobs at the Harehills store.

Homeless staff are now wanted for branches in Birmingham, Sunderland and Liverpool.

After three months' training they can take up apprenticeships, including those of butcher, baker or fishmonger.

Local charities and the Salvation Army will help find and train candidates.

Morrisons boss Dalton Philips said: "We have a commitment to retraining people from all sections of the community, helping people to realise their potential whatever their background."

HR director Norman Pickavance called for other retailers to embark on similar projects.

He said: "This initiative will help disadvantaged people to get their lives back on track."

"If I were a politician I would call it Big Society."

To find out more, see morrisons.co.uk and creatifleeds.org.

JOB

TREE surgeons Gristwood & Toms need an experienced arb manager, team leaders and secondary climbers. Go to gristwoodandtoms.com/recruitment.html to apply.

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TRADE-ONLY building supplier Trade-Point at B&Q are opening four new counters at stores across London and need 27 new staff.

The roles include sales advisers and TradePoint managers with stores in Wandsworth, Sidcup, Etham and Chiswick.

The counters are open seven days, so many of the jobs offer flexible working.

Ian Herratt of Trade-Point said: "Tradesmen across London will be pleased to hear that we're opening new counters to meet the demand for products including plumbing, electrical, kitchens, bathrooms, work wear and expert advice."

See trade-point.co.uk.



JANUARY is one of the best times of year to start job hunting as many companies wait until Christmas is over to advertise vacancies.

Around 15,000 new vacancies are posted on the Jobcentre Plus website each day this month, with 8,000 people a day moving into work.

In total there are currently 380,000 jobs advertised with Jobcentre Plus – and these are only a fraction of what is available around the UK.

Minister for Employment, Chris Grayling, told Sunemployment: "There are jobs out there – and we are bringing in far better help and support to get people into those opportunities."

"The new Work Programme will give those that need it the right help at the right time to make the leap back into the world of work."

So which sectors should you consider to boost your

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chances of getting back into work? Here are four sectors with the biggest number of jobs on offer for 2011.

CARE: 24,553 vacancies. With an aging population, care jobs have never been in greater demand.

As many care organisations provide round-the-clock support, careers in the sector are ideal for those who need to be flexible. There's plenty of scope for part-time, week-end and evening work.

SALES: 41,389. It will be tough as customers cut back on

spending. But if sales are your strength, this is the year you can really climb the career ladder. Sales reps typically earn between £18,000 to £30,000, while sales managers tussle up to £50,000.

But with bonuses, you can make substantially more. To succeed in sales, you must be confident, organised, upbeat and great with new people.

HGV DRIVERS: 41,389. There is a desperate shortage of qualified HGV drivers. Some firms are even offering to train new drivers for free.

Pay is around £600 a week,

plus you'll get 25 days' holiday, medical cover, a decent pension and job security.

CALL CENTRES: 7,044. Many firms are bringing back call centres from overseas to improve customer service.

If you love to talk, have great people skills and can handle even the most awkward customer, then this could be a great career.

The basic salary is around £14k. Team leaders can earn £35k to £40k, while directors can take home over £100k.

● Get applying now at jobseekers.direct.gov.uk/

NEED a job? It's up to you, says Lauren Kilbey from Jobcentre Plus.

She advises: "The New Year is a great time to take stock of your skills and give your job search a boost."

Here are her top five tips for finding work in 2011.

- 1 New Year, New You. Spend the next few weeks overhauling your CV and interview wardrobe.
- 2 Banish bad job-seeking habits. Maybe you've

been restricting your search to websites, so try the local newspapers, friends and family as well.

- 3 Ring the changes. Consider having a career change or sideways move.
- 4 Get organised. Carry out a skills audit.
- 5 Check out the competition. Look at industry magazines and see what the case studies say.



DID you know Dragon's Den's James Caan, left, ran recruitment companies for 30 years, placing thousands of candidates into their dream jobs? In his new book *Get The Job You Really Want* he shares his secrets for landing your perfect position. Here is a sample of his tips:

- 1 Channel all your efforts towards companies which are going to have the job that's right for you.
- 2 Use every route available to you: Recruitment agencies, direct applications, digital job boards etc.
- 3 Offer to work a week unpaid if you are confident you can do the job.
- 4 Check that, like a good grocer, your CV puts the best apples right at the front of the stall.
- 5 Have something prepared in advance – something that demonstrates the quality of the work you do.

SHAPE UP FOR WORK

COMMIT to fitness in 2011 – with a brand new job in the health industry.

January is the busiest time for customers signing up for gyms and fitness programmes.

And it's when many people opt to make health and fitness their new career. Jobs range from personal trainers and yoga teachers, to reception staff and kids' fitness specialists.

Pay rates can start from as low as £12,000 a year for junior staff but top trainers can earn six-figure sums.

Personal trainer Robert Brennan, 27, below, from Leicestershire, quit his job as a well-paid banker when he realised the job was damaging his health.

Goals

He only founded his firm fitnessuniversal.com in July last year but has already taken on three new staff as so many clients have signed up.

His classes include tough Russian kettlebells and hi-intensity spinning.

He said: "Like any job, it is not for everyone and it is not easy. But if you are driven, passionate and love spending time with people and helping them to achieve their goals then it is a great profession."

If you are put out of work, several Government-backed schemes can help you qualify for free or at a greatly reduced rate.

There are 1,000 fitness-linked jobs at jobseekers.direct.gov.uk and 200 related apprenticeships at apprenticeships.org.uk.

Hundreds more jobs are advertised on specialist fitness sites. See lifetimeh.co.uk or tagworks.org for more information.



FANCY TIME OFF IN LOO?

BAFFLED by "blue-sky thinking"? You're not alone. Britain's workers are increasingly out of touch with office jargon.

One in ten employees think the blue-sky phrase means working outside, when in fact it means being open-minded, a survey by HR consultancy reabur.com found. Fourteen per cent believe "time off in lieu" is time spent on the toilet and a fifth that "flexi-time" is a form of aerobics.

Georgina Read, of reabur.com, said: "Some of the results are amusing, but it's shocking some people don't know fairly common terminology. They should, in case the words come up in chats with a colleague or manager."

JOB

BUDGET airline easyJet are hiring cabin crew and ground staff at locations including Bristol, Belfast, Gatwick and Stansted. Go to easyjet-careers.com/current-vacancies.

SPOT

APP JOBS: PLEASE APPLY

YOU'LL have an Appy New Year with this job.

Smartphone firm Mubaloo are looking for software developers to create apps for the iPhone and Android platforms.

Based in Bristol, the pay is between £17,000 and £30,000 depending on experience and they will even consider training recent computer science graduates with no experience.

Mubaloo work with top brands such as The AA, Heineken, Roche, William Hill, the Met Office and Samsung and they urgently need to add to their 40-strong staff.

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