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上班族的副业

Vocabulary: employment 词汇: 就业

Do you have a job? If you do, you'll know the world of work can be tough – long hours, **tedious tasks** and stress. But it can bring benefits too, such as a regular **salary** and, sometimes, **job satisfaction**. Maybe that's why more us are now taking on a **side hustle** – another name for a second job.

For some having two jobs is a necessity – a way **to make ends meet** and provide extra **income**. But it now seems that more people want to put their skills and **passions** into practice to make money. These tend to be **entrepreneurial** young people who want to work on their own projects alongside their main source of income.

According to Henley Business School, around one in four workers run at least one side hustle business, half of which were started in the past two years. Those aged 25 to 34 are most likely to be involved, with 37% thought to run a **sideline** of some kind. It calculates that the average side hustler makes about 20% of their income through their second job.

But what's interesting is that many millennials are **turning their hand to** new jobs not just for money and **security**. Research has found that almost three-quarters of people are following a passion or exploring a new challenge. BBC News spoke to Becci Mai Ford, who works some of the time for a telecommunications company to pay the bills, but spends the rest of her time developing her crafting company Ellbie Co. She says going **full-time** is "not financially worth it right now but it fuels my **creative soul** and makes me happy."

Mobile apps have also aided the more commercially minded side hustler. **Peer-to-peer** firms such as Uber, Deliveroo, AirBnb and TaskRabbit allow users to do everything from **odd jobs** to renting out homes and parking spaces from their mobile phone.

Of course having a side hustle means you are **self-employed** - or **freelance** - which can give you flexibility to work when you like, but it can be risky. You sometime work on a **zero-hours contract** and may not get offered enough work. Or what was originally your passion may become more of a **chore**. However, this could be the best way to try out a new career or follow a passion while not giving up **the day job**.

词汇表

tedious task	单调乏味的工作任务		
salary	工资,薪水		
job satisfaction	工作满意度		
side hustle	副业		
to make ends meet	收支平衡,维持生计		
income	收入		
passion	爱好,激情		
entrepreneurial	企业家精神的,创业精神的		
sideline	副业,兼职工作		
turn one's hand to	着手做(不同于平时的活动或工作)		
security	(工作、经济)保障		
full-time	全职的		
creative soul	有创造力的灵魂		
peer-to-peer	点对点		
odd jobs	零工,杂活		
self-employed	自雇的		
freelance	从事自由职业(的)		
zero-hours contract	零时工合同		
	零时工合同		
chore	零时工合同 — 乏味的例行工作		
chore the day job			

测验与练习

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١.	Why might you be forced to take a second job?					
2.	True or false? A side hustler has one extra job alongside their main job.					
3.	Which type of people are most likely to start a side hustle?					
4.	What technology has helped people who want a job that makes money easily and quickly?					
5.	. Which word did Becci Mai use to mean it makes her feeling for doing her new business stronger?					
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5.	5. Our dishwasher is broken so having to wash the plates by hand is a real					
pas	sion	tedious tasks	chore	sideline		

答案

- 1. 阅读课文并回答问题。
- Why might you be forced to take a second job?
 Having two jobs might be a way to make ends meet and provide extra income.
- 2. True or false? A side hustler has one extra job alongside their main job.

 False. According to Henley Business School, around one in four workers run at least one side hustle business.
- Which type of people are most likely to start a side hustle?
 Those aged 25 to 34 Millennials are most likely to be involved with a side hustle.
- 4. What technology has helped people who want a job that makes money easily and quickly?

Mobile apps have also aided the more commercially minded side hustler.

- 5. Which word did Becci Mai use to mean it makes her feeling for doing her new business stronger?
 - 'Fuels' She said it's "not financially worth it right now but it fuels my creative soul and makes me happy."
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- 1. Times are hard I've had to take on an evening job to make ends meet.
- 2. With an incredible annual **salary**, she had no choice but to accept the promotion.
- 3. We had to hire a **freelance** accountant to help clear the backlog of work we had to do.
- 4. The company advertised for someone who could **turn their hand** to any task that was need to be done in the factory.
- 5. Our dishwasher is broken so having to wash the plates by hand is a real **chore**.