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## 实习好,还是打工好? (2-1)

Internship or Part-time Job-(2-1)-Which type of work experience is better?

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- 1 Hey everyone, welcome to Studio Classroom, the place where exciting things
- 2 happen.
- 3 My name is Rebecca.
- 4 And I know your English is going to improve today.
- 5 Let's say that you are in college, and you're trying to gain some experience in
- 6 your specific field of interest.
- 7 What do you do?
- 8 Should you look for an internship or a part-time job?
- 9 But wait, what is the difference between an internship and a part-time job?
- 10 Those are some great questions to think about.
- 11 Well, in today's lesson, we will try to answer these questions.
- 12 In addition, we'll be talking about:
- 13 First, internship fairs.
- 14 Second, are internships a waste of time?
- 15 Third, student loans.
- 16 And last but not least, to be in debt.
- Well, let's go join Gabe inside to find out more.
- 18 Hey, everybody. My name is Gabe.
- 19 Oh, and we are talking about internships and part-time jobs today.
- 20 Rebecca, have you ever had an internship before?
- 21 As a matter of fact, I have.
- 22 And I think internships are very beneficial.
- 23 I've actually done several internships, and I was able to gain a lot of work
- 24 experience because of my internships.
- 25 And yourself?
- Well, I have had some internships before, more internships than part-time jobs.
- 27 I think they're both very helpful.

- 28 And I think we have a lot to learn from our lesson today, a conversation between
- 29 Frank and Kelly.
- 30 So let's get started with the first reading of the day.
- 31 Internship or Part-time Job.
- 32 Which type of work experience is better?
- 33 Kelly and Frank attend the same university.
- 34 Hi, Frank.
- 35 Are you planning to go to the internship fair on campus tomorrow?
- 36 No, I don't have time.
- 37 I have an interview tomorrow for a part-time job.
- 38 Why would you want a part-time job?
- 39 Internships are much more profitable.
- 40 Profitable? If you ask me, internships are a waste of time.
- 41 Most are unpaid.
- 42 Why would I want to work for free?
- 43 You're not working for free.
- 44 You're gaining valuable experience that can hope you get a high-paying job in
- 45 your field in the future.
- 46 Hi, everyone.
- 47 Welcome to Language Lab.
- 48 I'm Michelle.
- 49 (Chinese).
- 50 Thanks, Michelle.
- Well, here in our lesson, our title is called Internship or Part-time Job.
- 52 Actually, we want to go ahead and talk about the differences between an
- 53 internship and a part-time job.
- So Gabe, what are some of the differences between internship versus a part-time
- 55 job?
- 56 OK. Well, in an internship, the student, or the recent-graduate is getting a
- 57 supervised practical training, <u>OK</u>.
- 58 So that's an internship.
- 59 But then, of course, a part-time job is when it's... you're working for less than
- 60 standard amount of time.

61 That's a part-time job.

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- 62 Exactly. So which do you think is better, an internship or a part-time job?
- 63 You know, I don't really have an opinion about this yet.
- 64 I think both are very helpful.
- 65 I have had internships before, I've had part-time jobs before.
- 66 But I'm going to think that this conversation is very interesting between Kelly
- 67 and Frank.
- 68 They're students at the same university.
- 69 Yes, I think you're absolutely right.
- 70 I, too, have had both internship and a part-time job.
- 71 And I feel like there are benefits to both.
- 72 But let's get into our lesson here and see what Kelly and Frank have to say about
- 73 part-time job versus an internship.
- Well, right here in the deck it says: Which type of work experience is better?
- 75 So do you have any work experience?
- 76 That's just any experience you have at all working.
- 77 So of course the specific ones in our lesson are internship and part-time job.
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- 79 OK. Well, the conversation starts.
- 80 Kelly says: Are you planning to go to the internship fair on campus tomorrow?
- 81 What's an internship fair?
- 82 You know it's interesting is I've actually never been to an internship fair.
- 83 But I've been to a job fair.
- 84 And I believe they're probably pretty much the same thing.
- 85 An internship fair is basically an opportunity for students to meet different
- 86 employees who are looking for either summer help or it could be just extra help
- 87 over the semester.
- 88 That's right.
- 89 So at this fair many companies are there, and they are maybe recruiting some
- 90 students to work at their organizations.
- 91 Well, Frank says: I don't have time.
- 92 And I love this phrase.
- 93 Let's talk about it together: I don't have time.

## 94 When do you say this phrase?



- 95 You say this phrase when you don't have time.
- 96 For example, I'm sorry, I don't have time to go to the store right now.
- 97 If you need to go, you're going to have to go on your own.
- 98 Oh. Well, Rebecca, I was thinking about going to see a movie later today.
- 99 Could you come with me?
- 100 I'm sorry. That sounds wonderful, but I just don't have time.
- Oh. Well, some friends and I were going to go out and get some ice cream a little
- 102 later.
- 103 I know it's cold, but could you come with us?
- Gabe, we've already had this discussion.
- 105 I just don't have time.
- 106 I have too much studying to do.
- But wait a minute! Your shirt, your shirt needs to be ironed.
- 108 What are you talking about?
- 109 Your shirt needs to be ironed.
- 110 Rebecca, I don't have time to iron my shirt in the morning.
- 111 I just need to put it on and... deal with it.
- 112 OK. Well, that is what Frank says.
- He says: I don't have time. I have an interview tomorrow for a part-time job.
- 114 And of course, interview, now this is a picture of someone in the middle of an
- 115 interview.
- 116 Usually there is more than one person, of course.
- 117 There might be two or three or more people in an interview.
- But usually it's one person who is interviewing the other person, maybe for a
- potential job.
- 120 Exactly. Now Kelly responds by saying: Why would you want a part-time job?
- 121 Internships are much more profitable.
- 122 And profitable is one of the words from our Word Bank.
- 123 And if it's profitable, that means you are gaining from it.
- 124 You're getting more than you put out.

So for example, businesses hope to be profitable, right?



- 126 You want to make a profitable sale.
- 127 Conversations can be profitable.
- 128 Maybe you learn something from a good conversation you have with a friend.
- 129 It was a profitable conversation.
- 130 Exactly. Now Frank responds by saying: Well, if you ask me, internships are a
- 131 waste of time.
- Now this is another great phrase that we want to talk about: waste of time.
- What are some other things that could be a waste of time, or how else might you
- use this phrase?
- 135 Well, I know lots of parents who think that video games are a waste of time.
- Daniel, why are you spending so much time on that video game?
- 137 It's a waste of time.
- 138 And if you spend too much time on Facebook, that, too, could be a waste of time.
- Or like my sister might say: Going to this art museum was such a waste of time.
- 140 But that's a matter of opinion.
- 141 That's right. It's your opinion.
- 142 What is a waste of time to you?
- 143 Well, Frank continues: Most are unpaid... most internships are unpaid.
- 144 Why would I want to work for free?
- Let's talk about that phrase together: to work for free.
- Now he asks a very good question.
- 147 Yeah.
- 148 Why would he want to work for free?
- 149 And what does this word free mean, anyway?
- Well, this means that he's not getting any money for working.
- 151 So for example, what else can you do for free?
- 152 Maybe you enjoy fixing things.
- 153 You could fix your friend's computer for free.
- Well, our conversation continues with Kelly who says: You're not working for free.
- 155 You're gaining valuable experience that can help you get a high-paying job.

- Now let's talk about this phrase: gaining valuable experience.
- 157 That's right.
- 158 That means you're getting valuable experience.
- 159 You're gaining something.
- 160 You could also gain knowledge from your classes, gain insight from someone
- 161 **older**.
- 162 And of course we always have a lot to gain from Liz.
- Let's join her now for a closer look at something later on in our lesson.
- 164 Hello there, friends. I'm Liz.
- 165 And thanks for joining me here for a closer look at the following sentence.
- But the specialized experience from an internship will make finding a job much
- easier once you're out of school.
- 168 This sentence might seem like a long sentence with all these words and phrases,
- so let's break it down and see what it is really about.
- 170 First of all, the subject is the specialized experience, and it's from an internship.
- 171 This experience, what will it do?
- 172 It will make finding a job much easier.
- 173 And when is that?
- 174 Once you're out of school.
- Now notice the pattern: [Something] will make [an activity] much easier [at a
- 176 certain timel.
- 177 This is really not too complicated.
- 178 And it is a great pattern to use when you want to describe how something could
- make an activity easier at a certain time, especially those times when it's most
- inconvenient or stressful.
- 181 For example: This metro card will make catching public transportation much
- easier during rush hour.
- 183 Or: This new kitchenware will make cooking for the family much easier on a busy
- weekday evening.
- 185 And that's all the time we have for today.
- 186 I'll see you again next time.
- 187 Hey everyone, welcome back to Studio Classroom.

- Well, earlier in our lesson we met Kelly and Frank who are having a conversation
- about whether it is more beneficial to take an internship or a part-time job.
- 190 Kelly argues that internships are very beneficial.
- 191 She says that they help you gain valuable experience.
- 192 Frank, on the other hand, argues that internship are a waste of time.
- 193 He feels like he needs to make money in order to cover his living expenses.
- 194 Well, let's see what happens with our next reading.
- 195 Internship or Part-time Job.
- 196 That might be true to some extent, but I would rather get paid now for that
- 197 **experience**.
- 198 I need to be able to pay my rent and cover my living expenses.
- 199 But there are scholarships to cover those sorts of things.
- 200 Or you could just get a student loan and pay it back later.
- 201 That might be an option for some people, but I don't want to be in debt when I
- 202 graduate.
- 203 I can understand that.
- 204 But the specialized experience from an internship will make finding a job much
- 205 easier once you're out of school.
- Having working experience sets you apart from the other job applicants.
- 207 In that case, it's a good thing that the part-time position I'm applying for is in my
- 208 field.
- 209 (Chinese).
- 210 And now let's get back to our teachers.
- 211 Thanks, Liz.
- Well, our conversation continues with Frank.
- 213 And in the second sentence he says: I need to be able to pay my rent and cover
- 214 my living expenses.
- 215 Let's talk about this phrase: to cover.
- 216 That's right, to cover something.
- That means you're going to be able to pay everything that you need.
- 218 You're covering something.
- 219 So for example, if you go out to a meal with your friend, you could say: I'll cover
- your meal.
- 221 Don't worry about it.

222 I'll pay for it.

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- 223 Exactly. Or you might say: Will NT\$1,000 cover this bill?
- 224 Or can you cover the bill today?
- 225 All right.
- Well, does this cover the cost?
- 227 Maybe you have to pay a lot for something, and your friend asks you: Does this
- 228 cover the cost? I can give you a little bit of money.
- 229 Does it cover the cost?
- Well, it doesn't cover the living expenses.
- 231 And of course, when you think of living expenses, maybe you think of things like
- 232 meals like breakfast or...
- 233 Breakfast, lunch, groceries, dinner... those are definitely living expenses.
- 234 Or even your rent.
- 235 And talking about rent, the guys in the Info Cloud have something that they
- would like to say about the differences between rent and rental.
- 237 So let's go visit them now.
- 238 In the Info Cloud, we often talk about the discrepancy between the word's
- 239 definition and its actual use.
- That being said, let's take a look at the word rental.
- 241 OK. If you look in the dictionary, you'll find that rental can be a noun, referring to
- 242 an amount of money you pay to rent something.
- 243 But in the United States, that definition is seldom used.
- 244 Rental does not refer to such payment.
- We call it rent, especially when one rents a house or an apartment.
- 246 Right. Rent is the amount of money you give to your landlord or landlady every
- 247 month in order to live in a place that belongs to them.
- The monthly rent for this apartment is \$1,000.
- 249 If you want to use the word rental in this context, you can say rental fee.
- 250 But that's using rental as an adjective.
- 251 Right.
- 252 Here's another example.
- 253 If you don't have any skis, and you want to go skiing, you can get rental skis.
- 254 Good example.

- Now when used as a noun, rental can also refer to something that is for rent.
- 256 So the rental skis are rentals.
- Hey, Steve, that was a nice-looking car you were driving yesterday.
- 258 It was, Ken.
- Too bad, it was just a rental.
- 260 (Chinese).
- Thanks, guys.
- Well, in Kelly's next line we see the words scholarship and student loan.
- These are different ways that you could get money to help pay for your school.
- 264 Another way that's not mentioned here is a grant.
- Sometimes the state or the country will give you a grant.
- 266 That means they just give you a certain amount of money.
- 267 Exactly.hotsay.com
- Well, let's continue on with our conversation with Frank.
- 269 And he says: That might be an option for some people, but I don't want to be in
- 270 debt.
- Now let's talk about this phrase: in debt.
- 272 If you're in debt, this means that you owe money.
- 273 That's right. You owe money or something to someone else.
- 274 So are you in debt?
- 275 I hope you're not in debt to anybody or to any school.
- 276 It's not cool to be in debt.
- 277 Exactly. You could say my sister just bought two new cars, which definitely put
- her in debt.
- 279 Oh, something could put someone else in debt.
- 280 And yes, if you buy a lot of expensive things, especially with your credit card, you
- could go in debt, you could go into debt.
- Well, Kelly says: I can understand that, but the specialized experience from an
- internship will make finding a job much easier once you're out of school.
- Talking about out of school, this is another great phrase that we need to talk
- about.
- 286 And when you're out of school, this means that you are done with school.

- 287 Perhaps you just graduated from high school or college, then you could say that
- you are out of school.
- That's right. That's what it means in our lesson.
- 290 And we also use the phrase out of school to talk about maybe getting out for the
- 291 summer.
- We're out of school for the summer, or we're out of school for the winter.
- 293 Exactly. So you could say: Since I'm out of school for the summer, I can definitely
- 294 help you mow your lawn in the mornings.
- Well, that would be a very nice part-time job.
- 296 <u>OK</u>. Well, having work experience sets you apart from other job applicants.
- Let's take a look at that phrase: to set you apart from something.
- 298 That means it makes you unique for some reason.
- 299 Exactly. And another way that you can use this phrase is: Is there anything that
- 300 sets you apart from the other employees?
- 301 OK. What sets you apart from the other people in your class or at your office?
- 302 Talk about that in English.
- 303 Or you could also say that my ability to speak three languages sets me apart
- 304 from all the other applicants.
- Well, that certainly would set you apart from a lot of people.
- Frank says: In that case, it's a good thing that the part-time position I'm applying
- 307 for is in my field.
- 308 In that case, that means in this situation.
- 309 OK, so you could say this phrase in another way.
- 310 The restaurant is closed.
- Well, in that case, I guess we're going to have to go somewhere else to eat.
- In that case, I should probably just go home.
- 313 Rebecca, I think we're out of time.
- 314 I think we are, too.
- Well, in that case, it's time for us to enjoy Linda in the Editor's Summary.
- Today we see Kelly and Frank discussing whether an internship or a part-time job
- is better when you're a student.
- 318 Kelly feels that an internship is more profitable because you're gain valuable
- work experience.
- 320 This experience, she states, can help you get a high-paying job in the future in
- 321 your field.

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