

#### Jobs mix and match

#### Instructions for teachers

There are three versions of this activity. The first one is given on one page to save paper and photocopying. The second is on cards to provide more flexibility. However, the mix or match activity is usually best if done as a whole book, with each page cut into flaps which are turned separately to make good and bad matches. This makes it similar to the many mix and match books in which the reader makes people, monsters, etc with odd matches of head, body and legs, or something like the classic book Do You Like Ketchup on Your Cornflakes?

There are also a few possible activities, but the best is usually to get one student to make a wrong, funny or crazy match and then for one or more other students to make it more correct/ sensible while keeping one of the two parts the same. All the topics have at least one sensible match and at least one silly match.

To make a book, you need to staple the pages together on one side, perhaps after adding a cover, and then cut along the dotted lines. You could also add suitable pictures to some or all flaps, but doing it without pictures means that students will have to concentrate more on the meaning of the words.

After reading, students could draw suitable pictures on their own copy of the book. Another option is for each student to draw one picture of their favourite silly combination, instead of drawing pictures for every page.

They could also make their own versions of this mix and match activity.



#### Single page version

Make a crazy sentence like "He's a bus driver. He has a gun" and see if your partner can change it to a not crazy sentence by just changing just one half of the sentence.

He's a postman. He She's an office worker. She

She's a doctor. She He's a student. He

He's a police officer. He

He's a teacher. He

She's a housewife. She

She's a singer. She

He's a bus driver. He

He's a taxi driver. He

He's a pilot. He

She's a firefighter. She

is cooking.

has a big bag.

is wearing a skirt.

is short.

has a gun.

is flying.

has a microphone.

is sitting down.

is smoking.

is shouting at children.

is climbing a ladder.

has a stethoscope.

#### Cards version

Make a crazy sentence like "He's a bus driver. He has a gun" and see if your partner can change it to a not crazy sentence by just changing only one or two cards. You can use the blank cards to add your own ideas for good and crazy matches if you like.

He's She's a an postman. He office worker. She doctor. She student. He



#### police officer. He teacher. He housewife. She singer. She bus driver. He taxi driver. He pilot. He firefighter. She



#### is

#### has

a big bag. wearing a skirt. a stethoscope. short.

a gun.

shouting at children. cooking.

a microphone.



sitting down.
smoking.
flying.
climbing a ladder.

#### **Book version**

Turn one or both parts of the pages to make a crazy sentence like "He's a bus driver. He has a gun" and see if your partner can change it to something that isn't crazy by just changing only one of the two flaps.



## He's a postman. He

is cooking.



### She's an office worker. She

has a big bag.



## She's a doctor. She

is wearing a skirt.



### He's a student. He

is short.



### He's a police officer. He

has a gun.



### He's a teacher. He

is flying.



### She's a housewife. She

# has a microphone.



### She's a singer. She

#### is sitting down.



### He's a bus driver. He

is smoking.



## He's a taxi driver. He

### is shouting at children.



#### He's a pilot. He

### is climbing a ladder.



## She's a firefighter. She

# has a stethoscope.