

The Podcast – Francesca

Listen to the interview with Francesca.

- 1 Complete the following table with the correct information.

Name:	<i>Francesca</i>
Nationality:	
Job:	
Working hours:	
Languages:	

Listen again and complete the following.

- 2 Circle the correct information.

- a) Francesca communicates with her clients by *fax / email / phone / MSN Messenger*.
- b) Francesca uses *newspapers / magazines / the internet* to do her research.
- c) Francesca works with clients based in *France / Canada / America*.

- 3 Answer the following questions.

- 1 Who normally goes on a press trip requested by a client?
- 2 Where did Francesca get the opportunity to go last year?
- 3 What does Francesca say is difficult in her job?
- 4 How often does Francesca use English in her job?

- 4 Decide if the following statements about how she got her job are true (T) or false (F).

- 1 Francesca used to work in her own agency.
- 2 She got her current job thanks to a friend.
- 3 Francesca doesn't really like her current job.
- 4 Francesca would not like to work on her own.

Discuss in pairs.

- 5 Francesca says that all jobs have positive and negative aspects. Do you feel the same or do you think there is such a thing as a perfect job? What would be a perfect job for you?

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Teacher's Notes

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Name:	<i>Francesca</i>
Nationality:	Italian
Job:	writes press releases to do with travel and organizes press trips
Working hours:	9am-6pm
Languages:	Italian, Spanish, English

2 a) email, phone b) the internet c) Canada

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- 1 journalists and photographers (occasionally she also accompanies the group)
- 2 Brazil and the Mediterranean Sea
- 3 That some clients don't understand that deadlines are important. She spends a lot of time chasing clients for information.
- 4 She mostly speaks Spanish with her clients but sometimes speaks English.

4 1 T 2 T 3 F 4 F – She would like to be a freelance.

5 As an alternative, put the students into two groups and have a debate on the subject.

Note on the transcript:

A few words in the transcript of the podcast are highlighted. These are either **grammatical errors** or else a **misuse** of a word or phrase. With stronger students, you may consider eliciting a corrected transcript.

Suggested corrections:

... we **catch** information **on** the internet ...

we get information from the internet / we look for information on the internet

... journalists who are interested **to** go to these places ...

journalists who are interested in going to these places

... I **find** this job by chance ...

I found this job by chance

... a friend **tell** me ...

a friend told me