What Is Your Current Occupation and What Do You Like & Dislike About It?

Did you know that you don't have to be in the beauty industry to train in Permanent Makeup. It's unlike any other beauty profession out there. In fact only about 1/3 of students have a background in beauty!

Our students come from all walks of life and In the following pages you will see comments from a number of our students about what profession they have come from and what they both like and dislike about it. Here is just some of the types of profession people have come from …

… Hair and Beauty, Managers, Business Owners, Stay at home Mums, Nannies, House Cleaners, School Administrators and Teachers, Dental Practices, Office Workers, Bank Manager, Nurse and even a Lawyer! to name just a few …

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Dental Hygenist

Likes: Interaction with patients, building rapport & trust with nervous patients who have had a bad past experience
Providing a professional service "making a difference"

Dislikes: Pressure under which I have to work, trying to ~~provide~~ provide a private & professional service with a time restriction ie 20 mins per patient, regardless of clinical difficulties
Unable to have a break during the day &
~~Feeling completely drained both mentally & physically~~

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Full time mother.

Likes: Spending time with my children, collecting them from school and taking them to their after school activities.

Dislikes: Not seeing or speaking to adults.
Not having anything but children to talk about.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Company Director

Likes: Flexible working hours.

Dislikes: Mundane boring backoffice paperwork.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Part time - Beauty Therapist

Likes: I like most aspects of my job, my favourite being - meeting new people, and love anything "eyelashes".

Dislikes: I have a bad back so can not perform certain treatments, such as body massage anymore :o

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: beauty therapist/nail technician/hairdresser

Likes: meeting people and flexibility

Dislikes: low earnings and hate hairdressing

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Aesthetic Nurse with my own company.

Likes: Freedom of being self employed. The satisfaction of having repeat business + business by word of mouth

Dislikes: As I work for myself, it can be lonely at times. Also, not having peers at hand to discuss any complications that may arise.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: HAIR EXTENTIONIST

Likes: I LOVE MEETING NEW PEOPLE AND MAKING THEM HAPPY WITH THEIR FITTINGS.

Dislikes: LONG HAIRS (SOMETIMES 4 HAIR FITTINGS)

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: I teach Beauty Therapy to 16 - 19 year olds.

Likes: I enjoy helping others learn a trade to help them in life and see them acquire new skills, it makes me feel good to know I've changed their life in some way.

Dislikes: Continually working on lesson plans and planning each session, but it's usually done at home and I'm not getting paid for it. With three small children I feel like I'm on a computer all the time instead of getting cuddles.

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Beauty Therapist / Curves Ladies Gym Advisor.

Likes: Beauty. I like everything about beauty

Dislikes: You have to work long hours to earn a good wage.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Training to be a clinical Reflexologist, I was also a radiographer for many years, specializing in CT scanning.

Likes: I love helping people to treat their medical problems holistically.
Love working with all types of clients.

Dislikes: The pay is terrible and after a full day working on feet my fingers are very tired and it can sometimes also be emotionally draining.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Beauty Therapist & PA to a Cosmetic Doctor

Likes: Running my own business, enjoy learning new things / treatments.

Dislikes: Being a PA my job / boss is very demanding and over the last year I no longer enjoy working there.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Multi Site Manager – Further Education College

Likes:
→ people focus
→ educational & professional development.
→ personal Development of students.

Dislikes:
NO further challenges for me to attain in my present Job.

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Barrister working in legal & regulatory for a large financial institution

Likes: Well paid. High level of authority & autonomy & have a good team

Dislikes: Being so large, matrix reporting lines, poor communication, complex procedures

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Marketing Director (on garden leave due to handing in notice end of August - 3 months notice)

Likes: Being in control / in charge
Buzz of being very busy + earning a lot of money.

Dislikes: The challenge of changing markets & new opportunities + variety of role.
Managing a team, many with not enough experience / commercial knowledge
Working very hard (55 hrs pw) with very little thanks / recognition

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Dental Nurse at a specialist Dental Implant Clinic

Likes: Satisfaction of seeing the change that we are able to achive: Giving patient's a new smile, confidence, function
Working with a dedicated, highly skilled team.

Dislikes: Long commuting to and from work.
Long working hours. (41.25 pw)

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Nail Technician

Likes: It flexible, its been my passion for 15 year
It lets me be creative

Dislikes: To many nail technicians are starting in my area and it not got a high earning potential

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike

Answer: Registered Nurse – Prison Service.

Likes: Interesting. Good rapport with staff.
Been there 20 years!.

Dislikes:
Long hours.
Too physical.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Functional Skills Tutor - Teaching basic maths and English to NVQ 2 & 3 hairdressing apprentices on a one-to-one basis in their salon.

Likes: A varied role. Liaising with the students, clients in the salon and the staff. Rewarding job.

Dislikes: Fairly poorly paid.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Full time mum (Previously Staff Nurse)

Likes: My Son

Dislikes: No pay!

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: TRAINING IN COMPLEMENTARY THERAPIES

Likes:
LOVE THE WHOLE AND WORKING WITH PEOPLE

Dislikes: LOTS OF THEORY
AND REVISION.

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Answer: **Production sales co-ordinator**

Likes:
The main bonus for me is knowing the customer is happy, and that iv actually pulled through the deadlines. There's not a lot to like as I simply took the position until I found my feet in London. After moving down in December I feel I have made the best decision of my life yet, in perusing Permanent Makeup. I cant deign iv met some amazing people who have made the job ever more interesting.

Dislikes: On a day to day basis I find my job extremely boring, though I have some supportive friends within the office, the atmosphere can be quite unbearable. I have always liked to put my own opinion into action and I suppose when your not the boss decisions can not be made by yourself or any members of the team. I much prefer a flexible job in terms of hours, a 9-5 has never been something I wanted, especially within an office staring at a computer all day.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: BODY PIERCER / MODIFICATION

Likes: MEETING PEOPLE.
EARNINGS

Dislikes: NONE (EXCEPT NOT HAVING A LARGER ROOM).
BEING BORED IN BETWEEN CUSTOMERS.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: SALES IN DENTAL IMPLANTS

Likes: BUILDING SUCCESSFUL RELATIONSHIPS WITH CUSTOMERS CONVERTING COMPETITOR USERS & GIVING THEM SOMETHING THEY PREVIOUSLY WEREN'T GETTING. GETTING A "DEAL". NETWORKING.

Dislikes:
LARGE TERRITORY IN AN EXTREMLY DEMANDING ROLE TIME PRESSURES ON FAMILY LIFE.

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Part Owner of body Art, body Piercer.

Likes: Being Self Employed.

Dislikes: There's Nothing i Dislike about it, Just a little Bored (maybe).

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Teacher - Beauty Therapy / Nails.

Likes: Passing on new skills

Dislikes: Politics, long hours.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Promotion Work

Likes: Variety of work
Meet lots of people

Dislikes: Long days
Never set days

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Hairdresser

Likes: Creativity, technical skill, social aspect, fun, clients

Dislikes: All work no play! Barely any money, lots of hours & no flexibility

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Self employed Beauty Therapist
Facebook page = www.facebook.com/cocoontherapiescalne.

Likes: I love what I do, and I love working with people.

Dislikes: I always try to fit people in with appointments that aren't suited to my lifestyle. I rarely give myself time off.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: full time mum

Likes: Spending time with my children.

Dislikes: Having less money to do things with family now Im no longer working

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Teacher

Likes: I Love the relationship I have with the children, the joy I get from enhancing their knowledge.

Dislikes: After 3:30! paperwork, marking, planning until all hours. The marking never ends. The government! Stress of Ofsted etc....

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: OFFICE WORKER

Likes: I LIKE THE PEOPLE I WORK WITH

Dislikes: THE LONG HOURS & VERY EARLY START!!

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: STAY-AT-HOME MUM (MAKEUP ARTIST)

Likes: SPENDING THE TIME WITH MY CHILDREN
NOT WORRYING ABOUT WORK, NO STRESS
WORK-RELATED

Dislikes: NO MONEY

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Office assistant / PA / events

Likes: working independent & with a team, making sure tasks are completed by a deadline, suggesting new ideas to help the business grow & having responsibilities

Dislikes: working set hours mon-fri 9-5, I sometimes feel like the middle man & not important, you get alot of quiet spells which make the days drag & it kills me to be stuck in an office for hours with a small team. I like to be out & about mixing with people.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Flight Attendant,

Likes: I enjoy the travel & opportunities associated.

Dislikes: it is not paid as well as I would like.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: I am a creative Nail Technician but at the moment I am a mum so no working.

Likes: I love doing nails. I specialise in sculptured nails.

Dislikes: however I do find it a bit limiting and repeatative

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Training Manager.

Likes: Enjoy the job + working with people
Just feel like I need a change.

Dislikes: Not much time off.
Responsible for too many people.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Assistant manageress / Full time Beauty Therapist.

Likes: Teaching + encouraging/supporting team. Relationship I have with employer. Job satisfaction - a job done to 100% of my ability. Location (10 mins from home)

Dislikes: The fact I work less hours than most + earn about + beyond team figures but only see a fraction in my wages. Having to work late nights frequently (= less time with family/hubby + daughter) Not having something else in career to aspire to (Dont teaching qualifications also.) Doing low-end treatments!!

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Spa Manager (Cruise ships)

Likes: The responsibility and organization. The ability to do practical + management together.

Dislikes: Being away from friends + family + running someone elses business.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: I am currently a full-time Mum & Home-educator

Likes: Satisfying to see children's progress. Flexibility with time etc.

Dislikes: Not very well paid!

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Beauty Therapist / Salon Owner

Likes: As a Salon Owner I Love my job, work, the creativity and possibilities

Dislikes: n/a

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Account Manager at Parfums Christian Dior

Likes: Finding out what my customers needs are and helping her achieve a goal.

Dislikes: Making money for some else and no real control over the business.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Beauty Therapists.

Likes: The different variety i have everyday communicating with the public

Dislikes: massages all day.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Office admin

Likes: Working in a team

Dislikes: Working for someone else
not being independent
not having a trade.

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: BEAUTY THERAPIST. SALON OWNER.

Likes: BEING ABLE TO MAKE A CLIENT NOT ONLY LOOK HER BEST BUT TO FEEL GOOD ABOUT HERSELF & HER WELLBEING BOTH INTERNALLY & EXTERNALLY.

Dislikes: NONE - APART FROM VERY BAD FEET!

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Mobile hair dresser makeup artist and beautician

Likes: People, making people look good, feel good

Dislikes:

Being Mobile.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: My current employment is as a receptionist in a beauty clinic.

Likes: I enjoy the interaction with clients and I am slowly learning all the different procedures practised in the clinic

Dislikes:

Have no dislikes. I enjoy my job.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Beauty Therapist

Likes: Like the fact I am my own boss, have the training possibilities, always a challenge, enjoy getting to know the clients and how satisfying it can be.

Dislikes:

The hours are a total nitemare, no break feeling stressed trying to accomadate people working from 9-9!

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer:

Likes: I am a salon owner and therapist.

Dislikes: The hours, stresslevels, and lack of money for the effort needed.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: PROJECT MANAGER

Likes: PUTTING THING/PEOPLE/DATES IN ORDER, ORGANISATION
PROJECTS COMPLETE (START AND FINISH)

Dislikes: WORKING AT A COMPUTER ALL DAY
DEALING WITH ARSY CONSULTANTS

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Nanny/babysitter

Likes:
I like working with children teaching them new things and watching them grow up

Dislikes:
long hours, pay isn't ideal, not always full time work

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: School Receptionist

Likes: meeting people, helping others where I can. The kids are great fun, feeling organised. No 2 days are ever the same.

Dislikes:
Its a very busy desk, when I started there were 3 Receptionist but now there is only me so some days are tough. Although I get all the School holidays these are the most expensive times to go abroad with the family. I'd like more flexibility with holidays

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Commercial Manager. - Construction Industry

Likes: Its challenging and always changes. I can be flexible with my hours I can make my own decisions. Good earnings.

Dislikes: Working in the Construction industry is quite confrontational. Its becoming more aggressive with the economic problems.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Beauty therapist

Likes: making people feel better about themselves

Dislikes: long hours - no-show appointments

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Hairdresser

Likes: Being creative, making people feel good, meeting new people

Dislikes: not much money made, to quiet, long hours, working for someone who dosnt treat everyone the same.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: TATTOOIST

Likes: LOVE THE FREEDOM TO MOVE AROUND & DRAW ON PEOPLE!

Dislikes: WORKING IN SHOPS FOR KNOBHEAD BOSSES.

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: I'm a community worker died trained as a textile designer.

Likes: helping people. Problem solving.

Dislikes: it can be really dull and it's not creative.

Question 1: What is your ~~current~~ previous occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Customer Service Manager

Likes:
- responsibility
- colleagues
- Xmas party

Dislikes:
- Pressure from Senior Management
- long hours
- No recognition
- No job satisfaction

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer:

Likes: currently unemployed (every job always worked for family)

Dislikes: NOT having my independance.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: BEAUTY THERAPIST

Likes: BUILDING BONDS WITH CLIENTS, MAKING PEOPLE FEEL GOOD ABOUT THEMSELVES

Dislikes: LONG HOURS, LOW PROFIT TREATMENTS

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: cleaning supervisor

Likes: Not much!!

Dislikes: Early starts, & money is not enough Can't progress any further.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Stay at home mom / Previous secretary

Likes: I love being a stay at home mom and feel lucky that I have been able to do so.
secretary: I liked the feeling of being able to help ocasionally and the gratitude received when I helped someone

Dislikes:
mom: my only dislike is that I cannot give everything and do everything I want ~~as~~ to with my son as we have sacrificed a bit and now live hand to mouth
secretary: pretty much everything!

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Headteacher's Personal Assistant

Likes: variety, busy, good boss, pressured - tight deadlines

Dislikes: commute - chelt to Bristol, min 2 hours per day

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: RECRUITMENT CONSULTANT (QUIT 4 WEEKS ago! Have since been doing temp. work waitressing in 5* Hotel)

Likes:
- mediocratic nature of job (you get out what you put in).
- earning potential

Dislikes:
- working in an office / on phone all day.
- long, long, long hours
- working for people I dislike!
- Too much mundane routine
- Hate 9-5 (or 8-8 normally!)

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Self employed Beauty Therapist (eyelash extensions) (intimate waxing)

Likes: I Love Choosing my hours and being my own boss. I also love all my clients + meeting new people.

Dislikes: working alot of evenings.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Nanny

Likes: Flexibility, good working hours and love spending time with the little girl I look after and meeting up with Nanny friends!

Dislikes: The wage is very low. Can get quite boring attending playgroups day in day out. No job satisfaction.

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Teacher

Likes: Always 6-8 weeks away from a holiday

Dislikes: The burden of more work expected with no pay increase. No progression. Dealing with teenage 'angst'

Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: UK SALES MANAGER - ORGANIC SKINCARE SKINCARE COMPANY.

Likes: Training therapists
Supporting salons/spa's
Meeting new people.

Dislikes: companies using historical procedures
company politics
Unrealistic Targets.

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Question 1: What is your current occupation & what do you like & dislike about it?

Answer: Receptionist

Likes: Receptionist ; meeting new people, being a part of clients transformations!

Dislikes: Receptionist; poor pay! working for ignorant/bad mannered employers!

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