## Advanced Level Occupation and Job Description



Kei: Did you hear Aya lost his job?

Aki: Really? He has been working for that advertising agency for almost eight years. He has such a dedicated employee - I can't believe he was fired!

Kei: He wasn't fired, he was laid off. Central Advertising was bought out by some Production Company in Japan.

Aki: That's terrible! Why didn't the new company keep him? I'm sure they could use someone with his skills.

Kei: Aya said the new company needs to downsize.

Aki: Why?

Kei: They need to reduce the number of employees they have streamline if they want to remain.

Aki: Why did they get rid of Aya? He's great at what he does.

Kei: They hired a specialist to come in and help the company. Aya is creative and very respected in the advertising industry, but his skills have become outdated. He can't use a computer and he doesn't know anything about the Internet. He is no help to a Production firm.

Aki: He needs to go back to school and retrain. The career center downtown offers free classes to people who need to update their skills and training.

Kei: You should suggest that to him.



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Architect Actor/Actress Nurse

Athlete Flight Attendant Programmer

Personal Shopper Mystery Shopper Doctor

Food Taster Farmer Web Engineer

Accountant Sales Director CEO

LawyerEditorNewscasterHairdresserArtistDancerBankerTeacherCarpenterToy TesterReceptionistRamp Model

## **Vocabulary**

Define the following words based on the conversation;

- 1. competitive
- 2. dedicated
- 3. downsize
- 4. get rid of
- 5. outdated
- 6. retrain
- 7. streamline
- 8. update
- 9. was bought out
- 10. was laid off

