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# Learning for Earning

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# CHAPTER 16

# Handling Changes in Job Status

## **Chapter Objectives**

After studying this chapter, you will be able to

- determine factors to consider when changing from part-time to full-time work.
- identify reasons why workers are fired from their jobs.
- explain what positive action people should take after losing their jobs.
- describe ways to prepare for a promotion.
- list reasons why people change jobs.

## **Key Terms**

- wages
- overtime pay
- salary
- commission

- laid off
- fired
- letter of resignation

# Changing from Part-Time to Full-Time Work

- Some students begin working on a parttime basis while still in school.
- Full-time work brings many changes in income, benefits, and lifestyle.



#### Income

- Income is the money a person receives for doing a job, but there are several forms of income.
- Wages The money earned for doing hourly work.
- Overtime pay The wages earned (usually one-and-a-half times the regular wage) for working additional hours beyond the normal 40-hour week.

#### Income

- Salary A set amount of money paid to an employee for a full year of work.
- Commission A percentage of the money received from a sale.



#### Income

- A wage is a predictable amount of pay for each hour of work.
- With a salary, the same amount is paid each pay period regardless of extra hours worked.
- A salesperson who sells more will earn a greater commission, so pay can vary widely from one pay period to the next.

### **Fringe Benefits**

- Fringe benefits are extra financial rewards beyond regular paychecks.
- They vary from company to company.
- Part-time workers receive few, if any, fringe benefits.
- When looking for a full-time job, consider fringe benefits as well as income.

# **Fringe Benefits**

#### Examples of fringe benefits are

- medical insurance
- dental insurance
- disability insurance
- paid holidays

- paid vacation time
- sick leave
  - pension plans

# **Think About It**



Many workers go
on strike for
better fringe
benefits.

How do fringe
benefits affect a
worker's overall
finances?

# Lifestyle

 A full-time job will change your lifestyle because you

- will have less free time.
- may feel tired.
- may need to give up some of your activities.

 Full-time jobs usually involve 8 hours of work daily for 5 days, totaling 40 hours weekly.

- No one wants to think about losing a job, but it often occurs for two basic reasons:
- Laid Off To lose a job because the employer must release the employee for financial reasons.
- Fired To lose a job because of unacceptable work or behavior.

Workers are laid off because

- the company is failing and short of money.
- the company is reorganizing or cutting back production.
- The last person hired is usually the first one to be laid off.
- Being laid off is not the worker's fault.

Being fired is the worker's fault. Common reasons for being fired are poor performance unsatisfactory work an inability to get along with others



Other reasons for being fired include:

- failing to follow rules, policies, and orders
- abusing drugs or alcohol
- being dishonest, rude, or offensive
- acting carelessly or unsafely
- making costly mistakes
- being late or absent frequently
- failing to get along with others

#### **Take Positive Action**

- If you lose your job, try to maintain a positive attitude.
- Examine yourself.
- Decide what kind of work you want to do.
- Do you need more education?
- Correct your faults, learn from the experience, and look for a new job.

# **Think About It**

Will feeling sorry for yourself after losing a job help you find a new one?

What should a fired person think about?



## **Being Promoted**

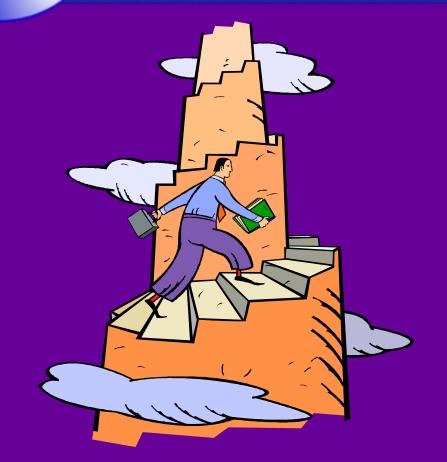
- After fulfilling all your personal goals in your job, you may want new challenges.
- A promotion is a move to a higher position within the company that becomes available by waiting for
  - a new position to be created
  - an existing position that becomes vacant through a retirement, firing, or promotion

### **Being Promoted**

 Be ready for a promotion by starting to prepare early.

- Do your job well and get along with others.
- Maintain a good attendance record.
- Have a positive attitude about work.
- Volunteer to do extra work.
- Look for ways to learn on the job.
- Express your desire for new challenges.

## **Did You Know?**



 The average person changes jobs at least eight to ten times during a career.

# **Changing Jobs**

- People no longer hold one job for life.
- Reasons for wanting a different job are
  - problems with supervisors or coworkers
  - a health issue requiring a new environment
  - transportation problems
  - a company closing or job elimination
  - desire for better pay, benefits, work hours, work conditions, and/or future opportunities

# **Changing Jobs**

- Before changing jobs, consider these questions:
  - What are my real reasons for leaving this job?
  - Am I getting along with my boss and fellow employees?
  - Have I given myself and the job a chance?

# **In Your Opinion**

Is there anything to gain by rushing into a hasty decision to change jobs?

Isn't it better to first consider the pros and cons of making a job change?



# Pros and Cons of Changing Jobs

#### Pros

- better pay
- more benefits
- room for advancement
- new experiences, challenges, and opportunities
- a new beginning

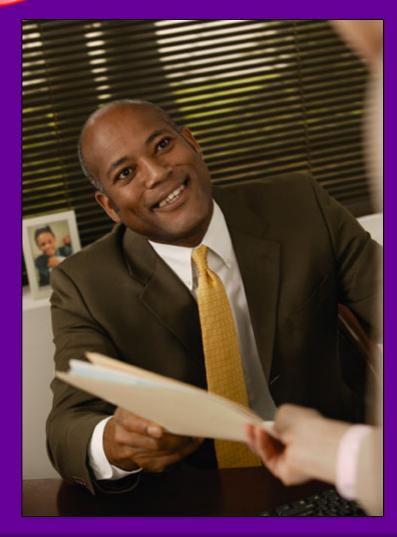
#### Cons

- unfamiliar people and surroundings
- possible loss of several benefits
- need to establish a new routine
- being labeled a *job hopper*

# Leaving a Job

- Once you decide to leave, resist the urge to quit immediately.
- Look for a new job while working at your current one.
- Inform your supervisor at least two weeks in advance so your employer can find a replacement.

# Leaving a Job



Try to leave on friendly terms. Use a professional manner to tell your supervisor you're leaving and submit a letter of resignation.

# Leaving a Job

- Letter of resignation A formal letter stating plans to quit from a job.
- The letter should include
  - your last day of work
  - a positive reason for your resignation
  - several nice words about your present employment

# **Think About It**

- Describe adjustments that occur when changing from part-time to full-time work.
- \* List common reasons for firing workers.
- Describe ways to prepare for a promotion.
- \* Identify reasons for changing jobs.
- List the information to include in a letter of resignation.

# **Chapter 16: In The Know**

- Going from part-time to full-time work brings about changes in income, fringe benefits, and lifestyle.
- A fired worker should take positive action to learn from the experience and find a job.
- Workers who want to be promoted should start preparing early.
- Consider the pros and cons of keeping a job before deciding to find a new one.

# Chapter 16: Think More About It

Do any of the common reasons for firing workers describe you?

- What action should you take to avoid firing? to be ready for a promotion?
- If you or someone you know is unhappy in a job, what factors do you recommend considering before leaving it?

What steps will you take to leave a job on good terms?