Unit 19

♦ Getting Better Jobs
♦ Goals and Plans
♦ Present Perfect Questions
MARIA’S BIRTHDAY

Read the story and answer the questions with complete sentences.

Ara called Maria and told her that he was coming to the law office with a surprise. At 12:00 noon, Ara showed up with Anh and Sonia because it was Maria’s birthday. Maria was surprised and happy to see all her friends.

Anh gave Maria a bouquet of flowers for her birthday. Maria asked how things were going at the flower shop. Anh liked her job, but she was ready to manage her own shop. Sonia liked her job too, but she really wanted to be a television reporter. Maria wanted to be a word processor.

Maria suggested that Anh should take a business class. Sonia decided to ask Mr. Ito for advice on how to become a television reporter. Ara thought Maria should ask Mr. Williams for advice. Then everybody left. They went to Maria’s favorite restaurant to celebrate her birthday.

1. Why did everyone go to Maria’s office?

____________________________________________________________________

2. What did Anh give Maria?

____________________________________________________________________

3. Did Anh want to stay at her job for a long time?

____________________________________________________________________

4. What kind of class should Anh take?

____________________________________________________________________

5. Did Ara, Anh, Sonia and Maria go out to lunch?

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GETTING BETTER JOBS — Part 1

It was another busy day at Latino Legal Services. Ms. Williams and Maria were both answering the phones when Maria began to ask Ms. Williams for her advice. She told Ms. Williams that after three years at Latino Legal Services, she was tired of her job. She wanted to know how to become a word processor.

Ms. Williams asked Maria what classes she would like to take. Maria thought that she should take computer classes. First, she was going to talk to Mr. Novella. Then she planned to see a school counselor because she wanted to find out which computer classes she needed to take.

1. Who was answering the phones?

_______________________________________________________________________

2. How long has Maria worked at Latino Legal Services?

_______________________________________________________________________

3. Did Maria want to be an accountant?

_______________________________________________________________________

4. Was Maria going to talk to a school counselor first?

_______________________________________________________________________

5. Why did Maria plan to talk to a school counselor?

_______________________________________________________________________
VOCABULARY

Study these definitions.

- advice  information that someone gives to help another person
- airline pilot  a person who flies airplanes for an airline
- fashion designer  a person who designs clothes
- illustration  a drawing, a picture
- pleased  happy
- real estate agent  a person who sells apartments, houses and property
- spare time  free time
- succeed  to do well at work or in school, to achieve success
- suggest  to make a recommendation, to give advice
- travel agent  a person who arranges plane tickets and hotel reservations for travelers
- word processor  a person who types words into a computer
Complete the sentences below with the new vocabulary.

1. Ms. Williams can type very quickly because she works as a _________________.

2. We’re going on vacation next month and we need the services of a ________________ to help us plan our trip.

3. Teshome always keeps the tables clean, the salt and pepper shakers full, and the customers happy. Mr. Reynolds is very ________________ with his work.

4. Anh wants to open a flower shop of her own, but she doesn’t have much business experience in this country. Mrs. Riley ________________ Anh take as many business classes as possible.

5. Anh is going to take Mrs. Riley’s ________________ because she has a lot of experience and knows what she’s talking about.

6. My husband and I are finally ready to buy our own house. We’ve been saving up our money for the last five years. Now, we’re looking for a good ________________ to help us.

7. If you take the classes you need and work as hard as you can, you will ________________ in whatever you choose to do in life.

8. Henry isn’t working this Friday. I’ll ask him if he has any ________________ to help me paint my apartment.

9. Penny wants to be a _________________. She loves clothes.

10. An ________________ is responsible for the safety of all.

11. This ________________ is only one example of the kind of clothes I would like to make.
GOALS AND PLANS

Match each career goal with a plan to make it come true.

_____ 1. I want to be a preschool teacher.
   a. I plan to save money for flying lessons.

_____ 2. I want to become a fashion designer.
   b. I plan to take a course in medical office procedures.

_____ 3. I want to be an airline pilot.
   c. I plan to take courses in commercial drafting.

_____ 4. I want to be a mechanic.
   d. I plan to take courses in early childhood education.

_____ 5. I want to be an auto body technician.
   e. I plan to take courses in fashion design illustration.

_____ 6. I want to be a medical office assistant.
   f. I plan to take auto body repair classes.

_____ 7. I want to be a landscaper.
   g. I plan to take classes in auto mechanics.

_____ 8. I want to be a travel agent.
   h. I plan to take a course in real estate law.

_____ 9. I want to be a commercial draftsman.
   i. I plan to take a course in airline ticketing.

_____10. I want to become a real estate agent.
   j. I plan to take courses in the care and maintenance of trees.
ASKING QUESTIONS WITH YET

• We often use yet when we ask questions in the present perfect tense.

Examples: Has Sonia finished her work yet? Have Ara and Maria seen that movie yet?

• You can form questions in the present perfect tense and answer them like this:

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Complete the following questions and answer them in the present perfect tense.

Has Monica (dry) ________ her hair yet? No, ________.
Have the gardeners (water) ___________________ the plants yet? No, ________________.

Has Jose (clean) ________________________ his room yet? No, ____________________.

Have you (take) _________________________ a shower yet? Yes, ________________.

Have we (see) __________________________ this movie yet? Yes, ________________.
Has Maria (call) __________________ her grandmother yet? Yes, ______________.

10.

Have Maria and Ara (walk) ________________ the dog yet? No, ________________.

12.

Has the train (arrive) ___________________ yet? Yes, ________________.

14.

Have Mr. Ito and Sonia (go) _______________ to lunch yet? No, ________________.

16.
GETTING BETTER JOBS — Part 2

At the flower shop, Mrs. Riley told Anh that she was doing an excellent job. Anh told her that she wanted to talk to her because she needed some advice. Jessica Riley was happy with Anh’s work, and she wanted Anh to work for her as long as Anh wanted. Anh explained that she wanted to open her own shop one day.

Jessica knew from experience that it took hard work and long hours to run a flower shop. She advised Anh to take business classes. Anh already took a few classes, but Jessica told her to take as many as possible. Anh knew that she was going to be very busy with classes, work and her son, Eddie. She decided to keep her job with Jessica until she got the necessary training and experience.

1. Was Jessica pleased with Anh’s work?

________________________________________________________________________

2. What did Anh want from Jessica?

________________________________________________________________________

3. What did Anh want to do in the future?

________________________________________________________________________

4. What two things did it take to run a flower shop?

________________________________________________________________________

5. What two things did Anh need before she opened her own shop?

________________________________________________________________________
ASKING QUESTIONS WITH EVER

Have you ever eaten Chinese food? Yes, I have.
Have you ever been to Tokyo, Japan? No, I haven’t.

- **Have you ever...?** means, Did you do some action or have some experience sometime in the past?
- **Been to** means gone to in the present perfect tense.

*Maria is talking to a friend about her future plans. The friend is asking Maria some questions. Complete the questions with the correct form of the verb. Then complete Maria’s answers.*

1. Have you ever (think) _________________ about becoming a word processor?
   2. Yes, _________________.

3. Have you ever (be) _________________ to a Regional Occupational Center before?
   4. No, _________________.

5. Have you ever (take) _________________ a computer class?
   6. Yes, _________________.

7. Have you ever (talk) _________________ to a counselor about your career goals?
   8. No, _________________.
THINK ABOUT IT

Choose one question. Think about it and then write your ideas.

1. Who would you ask for advice when you want to improve or change your job?
2. Teshome was very discouraged and homesick when he thought about his future. When was the last time you were homesick?
3. Where do you think you will be in five years? Write a short note to yourself with your predictions for the future.

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Watch the video section called “Problem Solving.” Listen to the conversation and identify the problem. Write a letter to Teshome telling him your best solution to the problem.

The problem is: ________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________
Dear Teshome,

I think you should...

____________________________________________________________________________
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Sincerely,

__________________________
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Circle the correct answers.

1. Teshome has a goal. He wants to ________________ a high school teacher.
   a. am
   b. be
   c. was

2. Sherry has a goal. She wants to ________________ a doctor someday.
   a. is
   b. was
   c. become

3. I plan to ________________ classes in computers.
   a. take
   b. taking
   c. took

4. We plan to take ________________ in fashion design because we want to design our own clothes.
   a. class
   b. courses
   c. lesson

5. ________________ you finished your homework yet?
   a. Are
   b. Have
   c. Has

6. ________________ your daughter returned the books to the library yet?
   a. Has
   b. Have
   c. Is

7. Have Michael and Marco ________________ dinner yet?
   a. eat
   b. ate
   c. eaten

8. Has your father ________________ a shower yet?
   a. taken
   b. took
   c. take
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9. Have you ________________ out the attic yet?
   a. clean
   b. cleaned
   c. wash

10. Have you washed the clothes yet? Yes, ________________.
    a. I have
    b. I am
    c. I did

11. Have your parents bought tickets to the concert yet? No, ________________.
    a. they have
    b. they haven’t
    c. they aren’t

12. Has Edward completed all the exercises yet? Yes, ________________.
    a. he is
    b. he did
    c. he has

13. Has Ms. Brown picked up her children yet? No, ________________.
    a. she hasn’t
    b. she has
    c. she didn’t

14. I have to clean the kitchen, pick up the children, and go shopping today. I don’t have any _________________. I’m sorry I can’t help you.
    a. spare time
    b. advice
    c. work

15. When you want to ________________ at something, you must set a goal and work towards it every day.
    a. plan
    b. succeed
    c. get
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16. My counselor says I should take computer classes before I take any business classes. If I have computer experience, the business classes will be much easier for me. That’s good _____________________.
a. advice  
b. illustration  
c. help

17. Marsha got very good grades in school this semester. Her parents were very _____________________.
a. angry  
b. disappointed  
c. pleased

18. Yuri and Natasha need help planning their vacation. They should talk to a _____________________.
a. airline pilot  
b. real estate agent  
c. travel agent

19. Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo want to sell their old house and buy a new one. They should talk to a _____________________.
a. fashion designer  
b. real estate agent  
c. word processor

20. Maria likes working with computers. That’s why she wants to be a _____________________.
a. waitress  
b. lawyer  
c. word processor
UNIT 19
STUDENT ANSWER KEY

VOCABULARY
(page 53)
1. word processor
2. travel agent
3. pleased
4. suggests
5. advice
6. real estate agent
7. succeed
8. spare time
9. fashion designer
10. airline pilot
11. illustration

GOALS AND PLANS
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1. d
2. e
3. a
4. g
5. f
6. b
7. j
8. i
9. c
10. h

ASKING QUESTIONS WITH YET
(pages 56 & 57)
1. watered
2. they haven’t
3. cleaned
4. he hasn’t
5. taken
6. I have
7. seen
8. we have
9. called
10. she has
11. walked
12. they haven’t
13. arrived
14. it has
15. gone
16. they haven’t

ASKING QUESTIONS WITH EVER
(page 59)
1. thought
2. I have
3. been
4. I haven’t
5. taken
6. I have
7. talked
8. I haven’t