Examples of occupations to be used when answering the question 'When you were aged 14, what was the occupation of the main or highest income earner in your household?

Modern professional occupations

Such as teacher, nurse, physiotherapist, social worker, welfare officer, actor, artist, musician, police officer (sergeant or above), software designer.

Clerical and intermediate occupations

Such as secretary, personal assistant, clerical worker, office clerk, call centre agent, nursing auxiliary, nursery nurse.

Senior managers and administrators

Usually responsible for planning, organising and co-ordinating work for finance such as finance managers, chief executive etc.

Technical and craft occupations

Such as motor mechanic, fitter, inspector, plumber, printer, tool maker, electrician, gardener, train driver.

Semi-routine manual and service occupations

Such as postal worker, machine operative, security guard, caretaker, farm worker, catering assistant, receptionist, sales assistant.

Routine manual and service occupations

Such as HGV driver, van driver, cleaner, porter, packer, sewing machinist, messenger, labourer, waiter/waitress, bar staff.

Middle or junior managers

Such as office manager, retail manager, bank manager, restaurant manager, warehouse manager, publican.

Traditional professional occupations

Such as solicitor, accountant, medical practitioner, scientist, civil/mechanical engineer.

Short term unemployed

Claimed Jobseeker's Allowance or earlier unemployment benefit for a year or less.

Long term unemployed

Claimed Jobseeker's Allowance or earlier unemployment benefit for more than a year.