



## Ingrid McFarlane, Zookeeper

Level:	B1
Topic:	School and the world of work
Competence area:	Reading for specific information
CEFR Descriptor:	Can scan longer texts in order to locate desired information, and gather information from different parts of a text or from different texts in order to fulfil a specific task.
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Read the text about Ingrid McFarlane.  
Then tick (✓) the correct answers.

### Ingrid McFarlane, Zookeeper

When I left school at eighteen, I got a job at a zoo as a student keeper. Now, five years later, things have changed – I have passed my exams and I am a qualified animal keeper. The money is not good. I only get £20,000 a year. You have to be outside in the rain and snow, which is hard work, and you get very dirty. But that doesn't

matter to me because animals are the most important thing in my life! There are a hundred monkeys and fifty deer in my part of the zoo, and I give them their food and clean their houses. I also need to watch them carefully to make sure that they are all well. In fact, rhinos are my favourite animals, and so last year a colleague

and I went to Africa for a month to study them. The zoo is open every day, and I work five different days each week. I live in a small flat twenty minutes away, and I get up at ten to seven and start work at eight. The first thing I do when I get home at quarter past five is have a shower!

Tick (✓) the correct answers: A, B or C.

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- B nine years ago.
- C eighteen years ago.

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(3) How does Ingrid feel about working in bad weather?

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- B She doesn't mind it.
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(4) Ingrid has to watch the monkeys so that

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