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### A Job for a Woman? 是女性职业吗?

Read the text below and do the activity that follows.

阅读下面的短文，然后完成练习：

The Yeoman Warders are a very **select** group of military guards, who are the **ceremonial guardians** of the Tower of London. They are nicknamed 'The Beefeaters', which probably **originates** from their food **ration** of meat, back in the 15<sup>th</sup> century. The Yeoman Warders have existed since 1485.

Originally, the Beefeaters' job was to guard the prisoners kept in the Tower and the Crown Jewels – the valuable collection of royal jewellery and **regalia** which includes the crowns worn by the **monarch** at their **coronation**.

However, these days the Tower of London is a tourist attraction, not a working prison, and the Beefeaters are tour guides and a tourist attraction themselves.

In order to become a Yeoman Warder, a person must have retired after **servicing** at least 22 years in **the armed forces**. They must also have achieved various military medals.

The Beefeaters live in **accommodation** inside the Tower. They wear a special navy and red uniform which is valued at over £1000 (15,000RMB), and have another **dress uniform** valued at over £3000 (45,000RMB) for special events involving the King or Queen.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> September, the first female Beefeater took up her duties. Moira Cameron beat five male **candidates** for the job, which was **awarded on merit**. The Chief Yeoman Warder John Keohane said that this **appointment** reflected the important role of women in the armed forces these days.

Moira said that she was used to working in a **male-orientated** environment after her 22 years in the forces. However, she admitted that the uniform's large pockets are perfect for carrying a lipstick and mirror!

As part of her training for the job, she will learn all about the Tower of London's 900-year history.

She described becoming a Beefeater as "a great **privilege**" and "a wonderful job".

## Glossary 词汇表

**select** 选择

**guardians** 监护, 守卫

**ration** 配给

**monarch** 帝王, 君主

**serving** 服役

**accommodation** 住宿

**candidates** 候选人, 报考者

**appointment** 任命

**privilege** 特权

**ceremonial** 庆典的

**originates** 起源于

**regalia** (如王冠等)王位的标志

**coronation** 加冕(仪式)

**the armed forces** 部队

**dress uniform** 制服

**awarded on merit** 择优录取

**male-orientated** 以男性为主

## 1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

**Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.**

以下句子哪句是真?哪句是假?请圈出正确答案。

1. The Yeoman Warders work at Tower Bridge. **True / False**
2. Anyone can become a Beefeater. **True / False**
3. Beefeaters have a navy and red uniform. **True / False**
4. Moira Cameron was the first woman to become a Beefeater. **True / False**
5. Moira had been in the armed forces for 5 years before becoming a Yeoman Warder. **True / False**

## 2. Occupations 职业

**“Beefeater” is an unusual job title. Can you match these job titles to their occupations?**

伦敦堡的卫兵是个不同寻常的职业。你能为下列职业找出它们各自的定义吗？

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|---------------|---|
| 1. cobbler    | a. a person who helps women give birth to babies                                    |
| 2. milliner   | b. a person who prepares dead people to be buried or cremated and prepares funerals |
| 3. midwife    | c. a person who is in charge of a museum or art gallery                             |
| 4. bailiff    | d. a person who takes the possessions of a person who cannot pay their debts        |
| 5. undertaker | e. a person who repairs shoes   |
| 6. curator    | f. a person who designs and makes hats  |

## 3. Jumbled Sentences 打乱词序的句子

**Rearrange the words in the sentences below to make correct sentences.**

请将下列句子中的单词重新排列，组成一个正确的句子。

1. are not also Beefeaters the Crown Jewels, only they take on guides. guards tourists
2. To first must work a Yeoman Warder, as you have the career armed in a forces.
3. The “Beefeater” be back can traced the 15<sup>th</sup> nickname from unusual century.
4. get the stiff Beefeater Cameron Moira the first and beat to female is competition job.
5. a Tower London has 900-The long of history year-.

#### 4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with employment in the puzzle below.

There are seven words to find. Words can be written horizontally (→), vertically (↓) or diagonally (↘)

请在下面的字谜游戏中，找出与职业有关的英语单词来。

共有7个单词，其组成方式可能以水平的(→) 垂直的(↓) 或对角的(↘) 形式出现。

j	h	s	j	l	q	r	u	i	p	j	a
c	a	n	d	i	d	a	t	e	z	m	p
a	v	s	j	i	p	g	e	b	t	a	p
u	o	l	s	c	t	r	u	i	p	q	l
b	i	n	t	e	r	v	i	e	w	r	i
r	f	d	i	w	s	h	o	u	l	e	c
i	l	o	p	e	d	s	n	o	r	c	a
l	o	u	l	m	a	k	m	k	e	r	t
a	c	b	o	e	l	y	b	e	m	u	i
s	t	y	j	r	e	w	a	c	n	i	o
a	p	p	o	i	n	t	m	e	n	t	n
c	a	i	l	t	x	b	e	l	t	y	n

merit	appointment	candidate	interview
application	recruit	assessment	

# Answers 答案

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- To work as a Yeoman Warder, you must first have a career in the armed forces.
- The unusual nickname "Beefeater" can be traced back from the 15th century.
- Moira Cameron is the first female Beefeater and beat stiff competition to get the job.
- The Tower of London has a 900-year-long history.

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- e
- f
- a
- d
- b
- c

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										a
c	a	n	d	i	d	a	t	e		p
		s								p
			s							l
	i	n	t	e	r	v	i	e	w	r
					s				e	c
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