

## **Having a hard time finding a job**

**Nate:** Hi James! How are you doing these days?

**James:** Oh, Hi Nate. I'm not doing very well, actually. I'm worried.

**Nate:** What seems to be the problem?

**James:** ... you know I've been looking for work. I haven't found a job yet.

**Nate:** I'm sorry to hear that. Why did you leave your last job?

**James:** Well, my boss treated me badly and I didn't like the company.

**Nate:** That makes sense. A job without opportunities and a difficult boss isn't very attractive.

**James:** Exactly! So, anyway, I decided to quit and find a new job. I sent out my resume to more than twenty companies. Unfortunately, I've only had two interviews so far.

**Nate:** Have you tried looking online for a job?

**James:** Yes, but so many of the jobs require moving to another city. I don't want to do that, I like London.

**Nate:** I can understand that. How about going to some of those networking groups?

**James:** I haven't tried those. What are they?

**Nate:** They're groups of people who are also looking for work. They help each other discover new opportunities.

**James:** That sounds great. I'll definitely try some of those.

**Nate:** I'm glad to hear that. So, what are you doing here?

**James:** Oh, I'm shopping for a new suit. I want to make the best impression possible at my job interviews!

**Nate:** That's the spirit, James! I'm sure things will look up for you soon.

**James:** Yes, you're probably right. I hope so!

**Nate:** Good luck, James.

**James:** Thanks for your help. See you soon.

**[Nate and Jenny talk about James]**

**Jenny:** Hi Nate!

**Nate:** Hello, Jenny. I saw James today.

**Jenny:** How's he doing?

**Nate:** Not too well, I'm afraid.

**Jenny:** Why's that?

**Nate:** He told me that had been looking for work, but he hadn't found a job yet.

**Jenny:** That surprises me. Was he fired or did he quit his last job?

**Nate:** He told me his boss had treated him badly. He also said he didn't like his chances of advancing in the company.

**Jenny:** Quitting doesn't sound like a very wise decision to me.

**Nate:** That's true. But he's been working hard in order to find a new job.

**Jenny:** What's he done?

**Nate:** He said he had sent out his resumes to more than twenty companies.

Unfortunately, he told me that only two had called him for an interview.

**Jenny:** That's tough.

**Nate:** However, I gave him some advice and I hope it helps.

**Jenny:** What did you suggest?

**Nate:** I suggested joining a networking group.

**Jenny:** That's a great idea Nate!

**Nate:** Yes, well, he told me he would try.

**Jenny:** Where did you see him?

**Nate:** I saw him at the mall. He told me he was buying a new suit.

**Jenny:** What?! Buying new clothes when he does not have a job?

**Nate:** No, no. He said he wanted to make the best impression possible at his job interviews.

**Jenny:** Oh, that makes sense. I have to go. See you in a couple of hours!

**Nate:** Goodbye Jenny.