### **BACCALAURÉAT PROFESSIONNEL**

## ÉPREUVE ÉCRITE DE LANGUE VIVANTE

# ANGLAIS

# TOUTES SPÉCIALITÉS DU SECTEUR INDUSTRIEL

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### When "Job" means part-time, life becomes guite different

More than one million of the 1.2 million jobs added this year in the USA are part-time and part-time jobs now represent 18 percent of the <u>overall</u> job market, the highest level since 1997. Many economists and other experts say that most of the jobs being offered are part-time because of economic uncertainty, changing markets and employers' efforts to save money. Some workers take these jobs because they cannot find full-time work but need some income, while others cite other factors, like a desire to spend more time with family or to have a flexible schedule.

Whatever the cause, the high number of part-time jobs today has important implications for job seekers as part-time jobs often come without social benefits. Along with the <u>scarcity</u> of benefits, part-time workers - those working less than 35 hours a week - often have lower hourly wages and little or no paid vacation or <u>sick leave</u>.

Joe Catanzaro had no health insurance and suffered for it last year. He endured five days of headaches and visual problems. But instead of seeing a doctor immediately he waited until he could no longer stand the pain and then went to a nearby hospital. The headache turned out to be the result of a serious brain disease. He took two weeks off, without pay, from his part-time job while he recovered.

[ Chuck Harner, 63, worked for 15 years as a manager before he was <u>laid off</u> in 2001. He has a doctorate in mathematics but spent the next 18 months searching fruitlessly for full-time work. In April 2003 he found a 12-hour-a-week job at a supermarket where he does everything from sweeping the floors to selling books and records. As a manager, he made more than \$100,000 annually. Now he earns about \$7 an hour.]

Still, some workers like part-time work because of the flexibility it affords. Lana Caywood, 49, a teacher, is happily employed three days a week at an elementary school. She likes it because it gives her time for her family.

Flexibility is important for many workers. In a 2004 survey of 946 full-time professionals 39 percent said that they would definitely accept a job paying up to 10 percent less but offering more work-life balance. And 87 percent said that they looked for flexible hours in a new job. The part-time marketplace is also more accommodating for the laid-off textile worker seeking to retrain, the baby boomer who wants to spend more time with family and the senior citizen who is not ready to retire.

Source: The New York Times October 10, 2004 (adapted)

#### Vocabulary

overall: total schedule: horaire

scarcity: le manque de sick leave: congé maladie

to turn out to be: se révéler être

to be laid off: être licencié to seek to: chercher à

**baby boomer**: personne née lors du baby-boom qui a suivi la fin de la seconde guerre mondiale.

When 'Job' Means Part Time

### TRAVAIL A FAIRE PAR LE CANDIDAT

A Répondez <u>en français</u> aux questions suivantes, en utilisant uniquement les informations contenues dans le texte. Composez des phrases complètes et <u>justifiez toujours</u> vos réponses.

8 Points | A1: 1 pt | A2: 1,5 pt | A3: 1,5 pt | A4: 1 pt | A5: 1 pt | A6: 1 pt | A7: 1 pt

- 1. Que nous apprend le début de cet article sur la situation de l'emploi aux États-unis ?
- 2. Quelles sont les raisons avancées par les experts pour expliquer cette situation ?
- 3. Quelles sont, pour les salariés, les difficultés liées aux emplois à temps partiel?
- 4. En quoi le cas de Joe Catanzaro est-il représentatif des difficultés rencontrées par les salariés à temps partiel aux États-Unis ?
- 5. Pourquoi Lana Caywood apprécie-t-elle de ne pas travailler à plein temps ?
- 6. Qu'a révélé l'enquête sur la flexibilité du travail menée en 2004 ?
- 7. Pour quels salariés le travail à temps partiel présente-t-il des aspects positifs ?
- B Traduisez en français le passage entre crochets

(4 points)

De "Chuck Harner, 63,....." à "... Now he earns about \$7 an hour."

C Recopiez le texte ci-dessous en mettant les verbes entre parenthèses à la forme exigée par le contexte. (2 points)

Joe (to work) in the new supermarket for a year when, last month, he (to break) his arm while playing football. As he (to have) no health insurance, he (to be) on sick leave, without pay, for several weeks.

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E Write six to eight lines IN ENGLISH about the job you would like to get. (4 points) (Job, employer, working conditions, schedule, pay, days off...)