

minority groups can be a source of great personal satisfaction as well as financially rewarding. Some professional people such as geologists, mining, petroleum and aeronautical engineers often are employed in foreign countries.

Another group of vocations in which language ability is important are those having to do with communications. Radio and television stations and networks, newspapers and publishing houses are possible sources of employment. Radio and television stations need announcers who can pronounce correctly foreign names and phrases. Actors and actresses are sometimes given roles that require a knowledge of foreign words or a foreign language. The newspaper reporter who can communicate with a minority group in his home town has an advantage over his colleagues without such an ability. Also, reporters and writers for newspapers certainly should have some idea about the spelling of foreign words and their meanings. Foreign correspondents need to be fluent in the language of the country where they are working.

Occupations that center around travel also afford opportunities for the language major. Airlines need hostesses, stewardesses and stewards, pursers, reservation sales management personnel, tour specialists, secretaries. If these persons hope to be employed overseas they need to know a foreign language. Travel agents need tour conductors, guides, etc. Hotel and motel managers and personnel also find bilingualism a help.

Publishing houses offer many possibilities for employment. There are firms that translate and publish foreign language books and periodicals in such fields as literature, education, science and industry. They need translators, editorial assistants, copy-readers, copywriters, consultants, research statisticians and technical writers who are competent in a foreign language. There are also some commercial translating agencies that often work with these publishing houses. Requirements for the top jobs are very high. They usually prefer that natives translate into their own language and translators are expected to know more than one foreign language thoroughly. They are also expected to have a scientific or technical background or to have real literary ability.

Librarians who work in public and private libraries often are required to have a knowledge of one or more foreign languages.

The possibilities that exist in business to obtain attractive and better-paying jobs because of a bilingual ability are very numerous, but, again, remember that in most cases, bilingualism is a secondary asset and the student needs to prepare himself well for some specific type of work. In any community of any size, there probably are a few firms that do business overseas. The port cities, however, offer the most opportunities. Examples of businesses that might offer employment opportunities to the well-prepared language major are banks, advertising agencies, the airplane industry, chemical companies, oil companies, manufacturers of farm machinery, motel and hotel chains, import-export companies, shipping companies, food-processing companies and automobile sales companies.

And, finally, some non-governmental organizations that employ bilingual persons are the Pan American Union, the Red Cross, the Y.M.C.A., the American Council of Learned Societies, the American Friends Service Committee, the Ford Foundation, the

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