



Reading Strategy: Guessing the meaning of new words.

A. Let's guess the meaning of "misogynist" in the excerpt below. (Think aloud)

"(a) Mary realized that Mr. Robinson was a **misogynist** soon after she started working as his secretary. (b) It is difficult for a woman to work for a **misogynist**. She is never sure if his criticism is based on her work or on the fact that she is a woman. (c) Mary knew that no woman would ever get a good job in a company headed by a **misogynist**."

B. Study these words and guess what the captions will be about, then read to check your guess:

marriage – puking – career – nanny – company – potential – fulfilled – staying at home

I believe in marriage; but I don't think I want babies – screaming, crying, puking – they'd drive me mad. I am still too young for that. I prefer baby animals.

My mum's very much a career woman; she's worked since I was six. We've had a couple of nannies. Mum made her way up her company, starting as a sales representative, and I really **take my hat off** to her for that. I think it's important for women to have a choice. I want to study at Cambridge and get my degree. When I imagine the future, I see myself working for a large company and living in a big house in the country. You've got to believe you'll get there – **by hook or by crook** – as there's much competition.



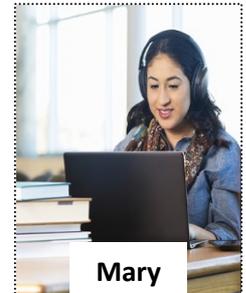
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Laura

It's important to encourage people to fulfil their potential, and if a girl is as bright as a boy, she should be able to have a career. I've got the feeling that women can compete with men and be as reliable as they are – perhaps better than them. Usually, I tell myself, "Of course, I want a career. That's what will make me fulfilled." Staying at home is seen as being dull and boring, but I don't know, I've never experienced it. Maybe I'd put the baby to bed and read great works of literature.

For me, getting a good career is probably more important than getting married. If I don't find the right person to marry, then I'm not bothered. But if I do have children, I'll give them to my husband to look after. I wouldn't employ a nanny. My models are women who are known for their minds. For example, I have great admiration for Emily Pankhurst, the suffragette, a typical woman in Britain, Australia and USA in the early 20th century who was a member of a group that demanded the right of women to vote. I don't like ladies like late Princess Diana. They are more bothered about their looks.



Mary

C. Read the first and the second captions and circle the correct meaning of the phrases in bold type

- I really **take my hat off to** my mum for what she does.
 - help
 - respect
- You've got to believe you'll reach your goal – **by hook or by crook** – as there's much competition.
 - by force
 - by any possibility/means



D. Read all the texts and underline the words you don't know and guess their meaning. Use the chart below.

Word I don't know	My guess about its meaning	Positive or negative?	Clue(s) which helped me in my guess	Type of the clue

E. Write 6 sentences using the vocabulary you learned today.