

NURSING AID

You have always enjoyed helping and taking care of people. You attribute your ability to help elderly people feel at ease to the fact that your grandmother raised you and you began taking care of her when you were sixteen. You nursed her until she passed about a year ago. Even though you have no nursing home experience, you talk about your grandmother in the interview and you get the job. Your duties include staffing the dining room and changing sheets for bed-ridden patients.

Your Wage
\$7.00 per hour

SECURITY GUARD

You've always been trustworthy, and your record is clean. You work hard and you show up on time. Even though you have no experience in the security industry, you think a job at the front desk of a large building downtown might be the first step to getting into the police academy and on into the state patrol. Besides, the hours work well for your family. You won't see your wife much, but with her working days and you working nights, you'll save on child care. You stress how dependable you are during your interview and you're hired. Your duties include patrolling the parking lot once an hour and monitoring the electronic card lock print-outs to see who's in the building at all times.

Your Wage
\$8.00 per hour

RETAIL CLERK—WALMART

You're friendly and you love to find a bargain. You really know how to get along with people and meet their needs even though they might be cranky and tired after a long day's work. You've also always been good at math. You never minded getting math homework and usually got at least a B on your tests, so keeping an accurate cash register till probably won't cause you any grief. In the interview, you tell about how you're so honest that once when you found a wallet with \$100 in it, you looked the person up in the phone book and called them to return it. You're not sure, but you think that story might have gotten you the job. Your duties include sorting and restocking items in apparel and two shifts a week at the cash register.

Your Wage
\$10.00 per hour

RETAIL CLERK—COSTCO

In high school, you went out for basketball. You've always been really strong and light on your feet. Teachers always asked you to run errands because they knew you'd do the job quickly and well. In the interview, you talk about how you've always wanted to make a living by working as part of a team. It worked. You were hired. Your duties take you all over the store, nearly at a run. You check prices for customers at the register, you return unwanted items, you break down boxes and you restock with the pneumatic pallet truck.

Your Wage
\$11.00 per hour