

# Vocabulary

## set deadlines

**Meaning:** To decide on specific times when tasks must be completed.

**Examples:**

1. I **set deadlines** for each chapter of my book to stay organized.
2. Teachers **set deadlines** for assignments to help students stay on schedule.

## my own little

**Meaning:** A personal space, world, or situation that feels private or separate from others.

**Examples:**

1. I enjoy working in **my own little** office space at home.
2. She lives in **her own little** world when she's writing stories.

## flowing well

**Meaning:** Moving smoothly and without problems.

**Examples:**

1. I make schedules to keep my day **flowing well**.
2. When communication is clear, work tends to be **flowing well**.

## stay on track

**Meaning:** To keep progressing toward a goal without distractions or delays.

**Examples:**

1. Setting reminders helps me **stay on track** with my tasks.
2. He follows a strict study schedule to **stay on track** for his exams.

## kiddos

**Meaning:** A casual, affectionate way to refer to children.

**Examples:**

1. I love spending time with my **kiddos** and helping them learn.
2. The teacher gathered the **kiddos** for story time.

**lax**

**Meaning:** not strict, flexible

**Examples:**

1. My teacher is very **lax** with homework deadlines.
2. Our boss is very **lax** with the rules, so everyone loves her.

**bubble**

**Meaning:** A personal space or environment that feels separate from the outside world.

**Examples:**

1. My home office is my little **bubble** where I can focus.
2. She lives in a **bubble** of creativity when she's painting.

**the best of both worlds**

**Meaning:** A situation where you get benefits from two different things.

**Examples:**

1. Working from home lets me have **the best of both worlds**—a career and time with my family.
2. She enjoys city life and nature, giving her **the best of both worlds**.

## Vocabulary Quiz

Complete the sentences with the vocabulary above.  
deadlines • my own • on track  
kiddos • the best • bubble

1. He often lives in his own little \_\_\_\_.
2. My boss loves to set \_\_\_\_.
3. We are behind schedule. We need to stay \_\_\_\_.
4. I love teaching overseas. I get \_\_\_\_ of two words - teaching and travel.
5. When I play video games I escape to \_\_\_\_ little world.
6. Have you met my \_\_\_\_?

Chanel / USA 

## Do you have deadlines at your job?

Hello, my name is Chanel, and I am from the United States, and my question is, do you have deadlines at your job?

Well, for me, I have two jobs. So, my first job is that I'm a stay-at-home mom who home-schools, and the second job that I have, I am a self-published author. So, for my first job, I **set my own deadlines**. So, I set deadlines that work best for me to make sure I get everything done around the home, and then also to make sure my **kiddos stay on track** and learn everything that they need to learn. For my second job as being a self-published author, sometimes I still am making my own deadlines, since I'm not going through a publishing company. But I do have to make sure I make deadlines for the printer, for advertising and for things like that to make sure that I have everything **flowing well** with the book. Now for those deadlines, for working with people that's outside of **my own little** self-publishing **bubble**. Those deadlines, yes, I have to make sure that I follow to make sure everything gets out and goes to the printer, and everything happens on time, but I do like the stay-at-home mom side of things to where I can be a little bit **lax** on my deadlines. So, I have **the best of both worlds**. What about you? Does your job have deadlines that you have to follow?

## Quiz

*Answer the following questions about the interview.*

- 1) How many jobs does Chanel have?

- a) One
- b) Two**
- c) Three

2) What is Chanel's second job?

- a) Tutor
- b) Author**
- c) Graphic designer

3) Who gives Chanel strict deadlines?

- a) Her clients
- b) The printers**
- c) Her supervisor

**What is the correct word?** Listen to the audio to hear the answer!

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What about you? Does your job have **deadlinesdeadline** that you have to follow?