

PRE-ROLEPLAY READING TASK

Life After Prison (B1)

Course: Ciclo Formativo de Grado Superior – Social Integration

Skill focus: Reading, vocabulary, speaking preparation

Time: 15–20 minutes

BEFORE YOU READ

Work with your partner and discuss:

- Is life easy or difficult after prison? Why?
- What problems can ex-prisoners have?

READING TEXT

Starting Again After Prison

Leaving prison is a difficult moment for many people. After incarceration, ex-prisoners often face many problems when they return to society. One of the biggest difficulties is finding a job. Many employers do not want to hire someone who has been in prison.

Housing is another important problem. Some ex-prisoners do not have a place to live or cannot return to their family. Without a stable home, it is very hard to start a new life.

Education and training are key to social integration. People who learn new skills in prison or after leaving prison have more opportunities to find employment. Training programs can help ex-prisoners feel more confident and independent.

Social support is also very important. Family, social workers, and community programs can help ex-prisoners solve problems and avoid reoffending. When society offers support instead of rejection, people have a better chance to change their lives.

For this reason, social integration professionals play an essential role. Their work helps ex-prisoners become active members of society again.

TASK 1 – TRUE OR FALSE

Instructions:

Read the text and decide if the sentences are **True (T)** or **False (F)**.

1. Finding a job after prison is easy.
2. Housing can be a serious problem for ex-prisoners.
3. Education and training can improve job opportunities.
4. Social support increases the risk of reoffending.
5. Social integration professionals help people after prison.

TASK 2 – FIND THE WORD IN THE TEXT

Instructions:

Find a word or phrase in the text that means:

1. The act of being in prison → _____
2. Going back to crime → _____
3. Help from family or professionals → _____
4. A place to live → _____
5. Learning skills for work → _____

TASK 3 – COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

Instructions:

Answer with **complete sentences**.

1. Why is employment important after prison?
2. How can training help ex-prisoners?
3. Who can give social support to ex-prisoners?

TASK 4 – SPEAKING BRIDGE TO ROLE-PLAY

Work with your partner and discuss:

- What is the biggest problem after prison: work, housing, or support?
- How can a social integration professional help in this situation?

 Try to use **words from the text**. Mix with your own opinion.

USEFUL B1 SENTENCE STARTERS

- According to the text...
- The text says that...
- One important problem is...
- Social support is important because...
- I agree / I disagree because...
