

Exercises of Activity Book

Third section

Communication

Forming a team

1 You need to find volunteers for an organisation that looks after children in need all over the world. Read these applications and then complete the grid with the strong and weak points of each candidate in your notebook.

Name	Strong points	Weak points
Khadeeja	She's a paediatrician. She's working for JHCO. She has a degree in Child Psychology. She can speak Arabic, French and English. She is 32 years old.	She can't start working immediately.
John	He has experience of working with children in difficult conditions. He's in good health. He can speak English, Arabic and Chinese.	He has never lived outside Britain. He is 45 years old.
Jamal	He's in good health. He raised a large family.	He's not a doctor or a professional. He doesn't have any specialist knowledge. He is 58 years old.

2 Write two sentences for each candidate, explaining their strong and weak points.

Example answers: Khadeeja's strong points are her age, her degrees in medicine and Child Psychology, her experience of working for JHCO and her knowledge of Arabic, French and English. Her weak point is that she's already working, so she cannot start immediately.

John's strong points are his experience of working with children in difficult conditions, his good health, and his knowledge of English, Arabic and Chinese. His weak points are that he is 45 and has never lived outside Britain.

Jamal's strong points are his experience with children, thanks to raising a large family, and his good health. His weak points are his lack of qualifications and specialist knowledge, and he is rather old for the job.

3 Use your notes to discuss with a friend who the best candidate is.

Students' own answers.

4 Write 3-5 lines stating your choice and giving your reasons.

Example answer: I think the best choice is Khadeeja because she's a paediatrician and has worked with children before.