

## Just a Housewife?

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### Pre-reading Discussion Questions:

1. Is 'housewife' a kind of job?
2. Do you prefer to work inside the home or outside the home (or both)? Why?
3. Is it common in your country for the woman to work only in the home?
4. What do you think the title, "Just a Housewife" means?

### Vocabulary:

Housework (vs. homework)	Chores	Responsibility	Just
Advantage	Coordinate	Quit	Proud

### Post-reading Comprehension Questions:

1. The writer quit her job because:
  - a. She didn't like her job
  - b. She needed to help her husband with his studies and research
  - c. Her husband was too busy to do any chores at home
2. The writer says that one of the advantages to being a housewife is:
  - a. She can use her time freely
  - b. She doesn't have to do any kind of work
  - c. She is paid a high salary
3. Does the writer have the same work situation here as in her native country?  

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4. Why is the writer proud to be a housewife? If you are a housewife, do you also feel proud? If your spouse is a housewife or househusband, how do you feel about what he or she does?  

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5. How does the writer's husband feel about her being a housewife?  

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6. What housewife responsibilities does the writer describe?  

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7. What other responsibilities does a housewife have?

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8. The writer says she feels free. Do you agree that a housewife is free? Why or why not?

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9. Is it usual for a man to be a 'househusband'?

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10. What are some reasons why a man might choose to be a househusband?

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11. Think again about the title of the story: For what other jobs might someone use "just"? For example, is it possible to be "just a doctor"? "Just" a teacher? "Just" a housekeeper? Why?

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**Main Idea:**

What do you think is the main idea of the article?

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