When you look at the working world today, most occupations are still dominated by one sex or the other. Below is a list of common jobs. Place a W by jobs usually held by women and an M by jobs usually held by men. If you feel there are equal numbers of men and women doing this job, place an O on the line.

| ___ Architect | ___ Bus Driver | ___ Telephone Installer |
| ___ Computer Programmer | ___ Engineer | ___ Nurse |
| ___ Marine Biologist | ___ Clerk/Typist | ___ Airplane Mechanic |
| ___ Dentist | ___ Doctor | ___ Police Officer |
| ___ Interior Decorator | ___ School Teacher | ___ Plumber |
| ___ Daycare Worker | ___ Pilot | ___ Receptionist |
| ___ Lawyer | ___ Nail Technician | ___ School Principal |
| ___ Carpenter | ___ House Painter | ___ Firefighter |
| ___ Food Server | ___ Electrician | ___ Social Worker |
| ___ Librarian | ___ Flight Attendant | ___ Accountant |

Select three of the jobs you felt were dominated by men and give reasons why this is the case. Be prepared to discuss answers.

**MALE-DOMINATED JOBS**
1. ____________________________________________
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   ____________________________________________
2. ____________________________________________
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   ____________________________________________
3. ____________________________________________
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Select three of the jobs you felt were dominated by women and give reasons why this is the case. Be prepared to discuss answers.

**FEMALE-DOMINATED JOBS**
1. ____________________________________________
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   ____________________________________________
2. ____________________________________________
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3. ____________________________________________
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**DISCUSSION:**
- Which jobs pay more? Are these jobs dominated by men or by women?
- Could a boy be a nurse or a nail technician or a secretary? Why or why not?
- Could a girl be a pilot or a carpenter or an electrician? Why or why not?

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