

Handout 8 Some occupations and weekly wages 60 years ago

List A	List B
cook 107/-	cook 80/-
engineer 180/-	nurse 82/-
teacher 140/-	teacher 94/-
pilot 170/-	dressmaker 59/-
tram driver 95/-	hairdresser 74/-
baker 102/-	hat-maker 59/-
sales assistant 83/-	sales assistant 45/-
metal worker 79/-	typist 54/-
soldier 90/-	fruit-packer 43/-
mechanic 109/-	telephone operator 55/-
radio presenter 90/-	house-cleaner 40/-
postman 86/-	sausage-factory worker 47/-
fruit-picker 60/-	cook 80/-
farmer 110/-	nurse 82/-
tailor 107/-	dressmaker 49/-
doctor 330/-	biscuit-factory worker 41/-
judge 520/-	clothing-factory worker 46/-
builder 81/-	teacher 94/-
butcher 84/-	typist 54/-

/- is the symbol for shillings, which were used in Australia until 1966 when pounds, shillings and pennies were replaced by dollars and cents.