

Pooja's New Beginning

Pooja is from India. She moved to Canada with her husband, Jaspal. Jaspal works with his brother at an engineering firm. Pooja doesn't know what kind of job she can get in Canada. She used to own a small scarf shop in India.

Pooja learns about a government agency that can help her. She calls the agency for help. The counselor tells Pooja to make an appointment. When Pooja arrives at the office the counselor is very helpful. She asks Pooja a lot of questions about her work experience and skills.



Pooja thinks about her work experience in India. She tells the counselor about her scarf shop. She says, "I loved working at my shop in India. I really enjoyed chatting with customers and liked helping them choose scarves to match their clothes. I made many of the scarves by hand and I purchased the rest from other local stores. I managed the store's money, too." The counselor writes down Pooja's skills.

Now that the counselor knows what Pooja's skills are, she can help her find a job that fits her skills and interests. The counselor gives Pooja some job options. Pooja can work in retail. She can work as a salesperson, become a store manager or make window displays for clothing stores. The counselor gives Pooja a list of clothing stores where Pooja can look for work. She also shows Pooja college courses that she can take.

Pooja goes home to discuss her options with her husband. She has a lot to think about. In one week, Pooja will go back to see the counselor to get help with her cover letter and resume.