

Dignity of Labour

An extension of "Migrant workers write poetry"

Read "**Migrant workers write poetry**" (page 15, *What's Up* May issue). Singapore celebrated Labour Day on 1st May. This is a good time to remind ourselves that there is dignity in doing work honestly and whole heartedly, regardless of whether the job is glamorous or not. To think about this a little more, carry out the following activity.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Work in pairs. Pick any one of the following three jobs. Go to the picture's *What's Up* page and read the story or news item to understand the setting. Then, answer the questions below.



Page 15: Domestic helper



Page 2: Fruit seller



Page 10: Zoo keeper

Job (select one of the above):

- a) What kind of work is done in this job?
- b) Would you like to do this kind of work?
- c) How does this work help all of us?
- d) What is your Labour Day wish for those who do this kind of work?

2. Share your answers with your class. Discuss and agree on how your class would like to show your appreciation to non-teaching adults at your school next semester.