# Activity sheet 1.8: Being flexible

*Learning aim A: Examine the characteristics of enterprises*

*Learning aim A4: Entrepreneurs*

Entrepreneurs often set up their own enterprises so that they can have a more flexible lifestyle. This means they can:

* choose how many hours they work
* decide whether to work at home or in an office
* fit their work around other responsibilities in their lives (for example, family).

At the same time, enterprises have to make sure they are available to make sales when customers need them.

1. Carry out research, or use your own knowledge, to answer these questions.

(a) What does being flexible mean when running an enterprise?

(b) What are the advantages of being more flexible when running an enterprise?

(c) What are the disadvantages of being more flexible?

(d) What is meant by home and work life balance?

1. When you have completed your research, write an article for a newspaper or magazine on being flexible and how it affects entrepreneurs. You can use the back of this sheet to plan and write your piece.