You have recently seen a YouTube video about work-life balance and have consequently had a discussion with your class mates in English class. Write an essay of 140-190 words:

Is it fair that some people in some professions receive a far higher salary than others?

- Contribution to the local community
- Training time and investment in education
  - Time spent at work
It is widely believed that if you work hard enough, you can accomplish anything, but is this just wishful thinking? This essay will discuss fairness with regards to salaries and work opportunities.

Common sense tells us that the more we work, the more we should earn. But this is not always the case. There is an evident lack of opportunities when one takes into account factors such as social class, background, location and also gender. There are some who obtain a head-start in their working lives due to their connections and contacts. These fortunate few usually come from the upper classes or are just lucky enough to meet the right people at the right time; nevertheless, these exceptions are generally few and far between.

Another factor that must be considered is the amount of time spent training and preparing oneself for a profession. There are few that would argue that doctors do not deserve an elevated salary due to the amount of time they need to study to be able to graduate from medical school. Besides, these studies are usually expensive and are seen as an investment. Furthermore doctors save lives and this is obviously important. What is unfair however are those people who become rich overnight through superficial means, such as reality television or YouTube.

On balance, certain professions are deserving of their higher salaries because of the effort involved, whereas others including footballers or models might only receive their salaries because they possess something special that no one else has, there should be some kind of pay-cap to control the salaries from growing out of control, however.