

# SALARY X WAGE X PAY

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All three words refer to the money you receive for doing your job, however, there are some differences:



**Salary** - usually associated with professional employees or office jobs, paid monthly at a fixed rate (usually expressed as an annual figure, e.g. in job adverts)

**Wage** - typically manual or service jobs with a specific rate per hour, usually paid weekly

**Pay** - the most general word of the three, can be used for any kind of job and doesn't specify when it is paid

## REPORTING THE LATEST NEWS



The situation surrounding the recent decrease in **minimum wage** has escalated in the past few days as the **union representatives** were trying to negotiate better conditions and their proposals were met with **unanimous** rejection. The protesters who have been **picketing** in front of the factory since Monday said they would **call off the strike** only if there were attempts at reaching a compromise.

## VOCABULARY BUILDING



**minumum wage** - minimální mzda

**union representatives** - zástupci odborů

**unanimous** - jednomyslný, jednohlasný

**picket** - vytvořit stávkovou hlídku (před podnikem)

**call off the strike** - odvolat stávku

## QUIZ: TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Fill in salary or wage to complete these sentences:



The average teacher \_\_\_\_\_ has risen to \$45,000 per year.

She earns a good \_\_\_\_\_ at the factory.

I got an offer for a job as a waitress - a basic \_\_\_\_\_ of \$100 a week plus tips. - Sounds great!

Her annual \_\_\_\_\_ in the marketing department is \$60K.

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