

One Man, 52 Jobs

After graduating from college, Sean Aiken knew he would need to find a job soon. The problem was that he wasn't sure what kind of work he wanted to do.

dairy cows being milked

One night at the dinner table, his father **encouraged** him to do what he liked most. His father said he had worked his whole life doing a job he didn't really **enjoy**. Aiken wanted a different future. That night, he **promised** himself that he would find something that he was passionate¹ about.

Aiken set a goal to work a new job each week for a year. That's 52 occupations in one year. And he did it! One week, as a dairy farmer, he milked cows every morning. Then, in another week, he was an astronomer studying the night sky. Aiken's favorite job, though, was teaching. He learned he was happiest when he was helping others.

Aiken also learned that it's OK to not know what you want to do right away. He wrote a book about his **experiences**, and today he tells his story to college and university students. His message? You'll find your perfect job one day. After all, Aiken found his.