

Dear Second Week People,

A [redacted] reckons that the trip to the Old Bailey was strong and she told me that the lawyer bloke rang her up to tell her how much he had enjoyed being with you.

This morning we start off with a look at the work of the Samaritans who try to give people a chance to think of alternatives when they begin feeling suicidal. About one in five Brits goes for medical help with their mental health at some time in their life. In my family three out of five of us have.

This afternoon we will be looking at job is done by less and less people in UK. Around 2% of UK folk work on the land and many of these will be tiny, economically inefficient hill farmers in Wales and Scotland. You might think of farm work as very communal. Here it used to be but now farm workers complain bitterly of the loneliness of their job. UK has the smallest number of people on the land in Europe and probably has the highest productivity per worker. What percentage of work-age Brazilians work on the land?

Projects: We need to begin thinking seriously about this and I need to start helping you get hold of the people you may need to talk to, interview, visit, record.

S[redacted] I know you have chosen cooking in the UK and this is an easy one for me to help you with. What I need is for you to narrow down who you want to talk to. These possibilities occur to me: People from other countries cooking commercially for the Brits eg (Thais, Japanese, Italians, Indians, Pakistanis etc..... Men cooking at home..... women cooking at home..... specialised autobiographies of people as cooks, professional cooking training..... the role of TV in cooking..... the role of supermarkets in changing food habits, cooking and diet/ health, etc..... Obviously you decide.

From today I want to work one-to-one with people. I can do half an hour with one person at morning break and then have lunch with one person. The purpose of these interviews is to help you to follow the scents that really interest each of you individually and to get the projects going. The agenda of each tutorial is in your hands, not mine.

You may want to do the project work on your own or in a pair, maybe.

We can also deepen the work if you manage to make time to write to. There is much that gets said on the page that does not get said orally. This is especially true for some people.

Yours,
