profession

noun

pro-fes-sion

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: a type of job that requires special education, training, or skill

: the people who work in a particular profession

: the act of declaring or saying something openly

Full Definition of PROFESSION

1 : the act of taking the vows of a religious community

2 : an act of openly declaring or publicly claiming a belief, faith, or opinion : PROTESTATION

3 : an avowed religious faith

4 a : a calling requiring specialized knowledge and often long and intensive academic preparation

   b : a principal calling, vocation, or employment

   c : the whole body of persons engaged in a calling

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Examples of PROFESSION

The doctor talked to students who are thinking about entering the profession.
Most professions in the medical field require years of training.
Their daughter recently became a member of the medical profession.

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Origin of PROFESSION
Middle English profession, from Anglo-French profession, from Late Latin & Latin; Late Latin profession-, professio, from Latin, public declaration, from profēriti
First Known Use: 13th century

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PROFESSION Defined for Kids

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Definition of PROFESSION for Kids
1 : an occupation (as medicine, law, or teaching) that is not mechanical or agricultural and that requires special education
2 : an act of publicly declaring or claiming <a profession of religious faith>
3 : the people working in an occupation

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Medical Definition of PROFESSION

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2: the whole body of persons engaged in a calling

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