Before listening

1 You are going to watch a talk by Jason Fried called,

"Why work doesn't happen at work".

What do you think it's about?

- 2. Where do you go when you want to do something important like work or study?
- 3. What kind of distractions do people have at work?
- 4. If you were the manager of a company, what measures would you take in order to minimise distractions?

Watch the TED talk and take notes. You will need your notes to answer questions later on.

After listening

Answer the following questions.

- 1. How did people answer Fried's question about where they go to do something important.
- 2. What distractions do employees have at work?
- 3. What's the connection between work and sleep?
- 4. What 3 measures does Fried suggest managers take in order to minimise distractions?

Debate about measures: In your groups discuss the effectiveness of the measures. Do you agree with them?

In groups decide on your idea working environment (office). When you have finished, you will present this to the rest of the class.