The diploma work focuses on the subject of the high demands placed on the profession of nursery school teachers. The aim and meaning of the dissertation is to point out and prove how high these demands are.

The theoretical part of the work explains the terms profession, teaching profession and the high demands placed on the work of a teacher through the variegated activities applied; and the changes that took place in this profession during the past development stages of society. It analyses the role the nursery school teacher plays in contemporary times due to the changes in society and legislation, which have brought even higher demands made on this profession. The research section contains evaluations of the high demands on the profession compiled by nursery teachers themselves. This part analyses the possibilities of further education to prepare the teachers for the new demands in practice. The opinions of the public concerning the work duties of nursery school teachers are evaluated.