

Regret!!!

Complete the listening. Then, tell about their regret.

Mike: I know it sounds boring but I should have studied harder at school. I loved school but for all the wrong (1)_____. I had a great time hanging out with my friends, doing loads of sport, going to parties, but I didn't take my studies very seriously. I wish I hadn't messed about so much. In the classroom I was always trying to make the other students (2)_____ rather than trying to learn anything that might help me with my exams. Of course, when the exams came I didn't know anything and it was no great (3)_____ when I found out that I'd failed all of them except for (4)_____. So while all my friends went off to (5)_____ I had to stay behind and do another year at school. Luckily, I'd learned my lesson and I passed all my exams a year later. Then this September, a year after all my friends, I finally got to university. I sometimes worry that I'm a year behind everyone.

Erin: I quite enjoyed school. I had a lot of fun, made a lot of friends and I even learned a few (6)_____ things. If I have any regrets I suppose it's that I wish I'd been more involved in (7)_____. Our school has loads of clubs at lunchtime and after school where you could do things like dance, or learn to play an (8)_____, or play chess- things like that. Well, I didn't join any of them because I think the group of friends I hung out with decided it wasn't cool to. It's a (9)_____ because I would have learned some really useful skills, I'm sure. I should have definitely joined the school band. I love music and I'd love to be in a band now, even though I'm 35. If I'd learned to play the (10)_____ at school, I'd have been much better than I am now.

Tom: My biggest regret about my school days is that I don't really remember too much about them anymore. I suppose they were nearly (11)_____ years ago. If only I'd kept in touch with some of my friends. They could help me remember a bit more now. The one thing I do remember really clearly is a poor boy in my (12)_____ called Jimmie White. Jimmie wore glasses and we called him names: "(13)_____", things like that. I shouldn't have been so (14)_____ to Jimmie White but everyone was. You know that kids can be like. We were only about eight. Anyway, Jimmie had the last laugh. He went on to become a very rich and successful (15)_____. I'd like to meet up with him again one day and say I'm sorry.

Molly: I'm still at school. I'm in my last year and I've got loads of important exams in about three months. My biggest regret about school at the moment is that I chose the wrong subjects. I shouldn't have chosen (16)_____ and (17)_____. I hate science. I don't understand a thing. If only I'd done (18)_____ and Drama instead. I love those subjects. The problem is that I didn't want to upset my dad. He's a (19)_____ and I thought he wouldn't like it if I didn't do any science. Anyway, I had a chat with him about it the other day and he said that my (20)_____ is much more important. I wish I'd had that chat two years ago when I had to choose which subjects I wanted to study.