

Schools then and in the future

(A) Teachers used to write out lessons on a blackboard for the students to copy. The students used to write with ink pens and class sizes used to be very big. There were sometimes more than sixty students in a class.

(B) Many people believe that the schools will become completely electronic. There will be no more textbooks in lessons and everything will be done on tablet computers.

(C) A hundred years ago classrooms looked very different from today. There didn't use to be any computers or calculators.

(D) There could be virtual lessons and teachers will be able to recreate a period from the past in 3D in the classroom. There may even be robots instead of teachers and your fellow classmates could be taking part in the lesson from different countries around the world. It's an amazing thought.

(E) So, what will schools look like in the future? One way we can get some idea is to look at science fiction films. We see that technology will play an even bigger role in how we learn.

1. Read the article. Put the paragraphs in the correct order. Write A–E in boxes 1–5. (5 marks)

- 1 [_]
- 2 [_]
- 3 [_]
- 4 [_]
- 5 [_]

2. Read the text. Choose the correct words. (10 marks)

- 1 There didn't use to be any **computers / blackboards**.
- 2 Students used to write with **ink pens / pencils**.
- 3 Class sizes were **larger / smaller** in the past.
- 4 If we look at science fiction **books / films**, we'll see what schools will look like in the future.
- 5 Technology **will / won't** be more important in the future.
- 6 Many people believe that schools will become **ecological / electronic**.
- 7 **Tablets / Textbooks** won't be used in class.
- 8 **Teachers / Students** will be able to recreate a period from the past in 3D in the classroom.
- 9 There may even be **tablets / robots** instead of teachers.
- 10 Students from different countries **could / will** be taking part in the same lesson.

3. Complete the sentences. Write two words in each sentence. (10 marks)

- 1 There didn't use to be any _____ or _____.
- 2 There were sometimes _____ sixty students in a class.
- 3 Many people believe that the schools will become _____.
- 4 Teachers will be able to recreate a period from the past _____ in the classroom.
- 5 There may even be _____ instead of _____.