Name: **Grade:**

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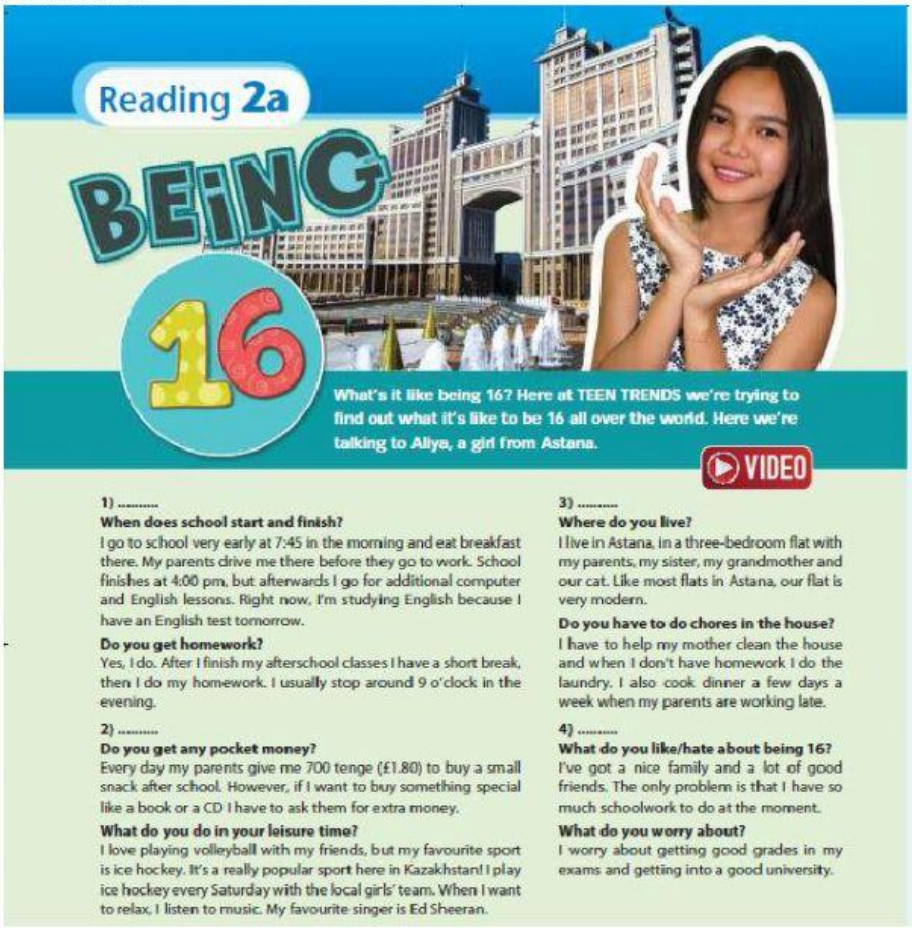
1. Listen and read the text.



Reading 2a

BEING 16

What's it like being 16? Here at TEEN TRENDS we're trying to find out what it's like to be 16 all over the world. Here we're talking to Aliya, a girl from Astana.

VIDEO

1) .....

When does school start and finish?

I go to school very early at 7:45 in the morning and eat breakfast there. My parents drive me there before they go to work. School finishes at 4:00 pm, but afterwards I go for additional computer and English lessons. Right now, I'm studying English because I have an English test tomorrow.

Do you get homework?

Yes, I do. After I finish my afterschool classes I have a short break, then I do my homework. I usually stop around 9 o'clock in the evening.

2) .....

Do you get any pocket money?

Every day my parents give me 700 tenge (£1.80) to buy a small snack after school. However, if I want to buy something special like a book or a CD I have to ask them for extra money.

What do you do in your leisure time?

I love playing volleyball with my friends, but my favourite sport is ice hockey. It's a really popular sport here in Kazakhstan! I play ice hockey every Saturday with the local girls' team. When I want to relax, I listen to music. My favourite singer is Ed Sheeran.

3) .....

Where do you live?

I live in Astana, in a three-bedroom flat with my parents, my sister, my grandmother and our cat. Like most flats in Astana, our flat is very modern.

Do you have to do chores in the house?

I have to help my mother clean the house and when I don't have homework I do the laundry. I also cook dinner a few days a week when my parents are working late.

4) .....

What do you like/hate about being 16?

I've got a nice family and a lot of good friends. The only problem is that I have so much schoolwork to do at the moment.

What do you worry about?

I worry about getting good grades in my exams and getting into a good university.

2 Read the interview and label the four sections with a heading below.

• Home & chores • School life • Hopes & fears • Free time

1) ..... **2) .....** **3) .....** **4) .....**

3 Read the interview and decide if the sentences below are T (true) or F (false).

1 Aliya's parents drive her to school before they go to work. .....

2 Aliya has extra English classes after school. .....

3 She gets 700 tenge every day to spend on books and CDs. .....

4 Aliya is part of a local sports team. .....

5 Her mum cooks dinner every day of the week. .....

6 Aliya is worried about not having many friends. .....