

Exercises

12.1 Complete the collocations by filling in the missing words according to the meaning given in brackets.

- 1 tables (lists of schools from best to worst)
- 2 education (entry to schools is decided by exam results)
- 3 equality of (when everyone has the same chances)
- 4 inequalities (making inequalities continue forever)

12.2 Change the underlined words, using more formal and more appropriate words from A. Make any other changes that are necessary.

- 1 Inequality is built into the education system.
- 2 Giving access only to privileged groups is bad for the country in the long term.
- 3 Education where everyone gets into the same type of school without exams is a basic political ideal in many countries.
- 4 A system where there are two levels of schools reduces the opportunities for children from poorer families and favours those from richer families.
- 5 Some private schools have lots of wealth and receive gifts of money, and this means they can have better resources.
- 6 All parents want their children to achieve the best possible results at school.
- 7 Emphasis on the three Rs is considered by parents to be the key to success.

12.3 Which words or expressions from B mean ...

- 1 the ability to read?
- 2 the ability to count and do basic maths?
- 3 changes made to the official programme of education in a country?
- 4 the traditional basic skills of reading, writing and maths?
- 5 a student who is older than the typical age, for example, in a university?
- 6 teaching with one teacher and just one pupil?

Scroll down to check your answers.
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