

GAPPED TEXT

Five sentences have been removed from the text below. Choose from the sentences A-G the one which fits each gap. There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

- A I was much more confident than before.
- B I shared a room with one of my classmates, George.
- C None of them spoke any French.
- D It's often difficult for us to get the teacher's attention.
- E Usually all my lessons are the same.
- F But at the college there was a huge electronic board.
- G This helps me to improve my communication skills.
- H This allowed each student to get more individual attention.

My experience at Summer school

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Last summer I went to a summer school in Oxford to study English. We studied at a college where adults normally study. The classrooms were very modern. In my classroom at school, the teacher writes on a blackboard. 1. [____]. The teacher could display photos or video clips on it. It was really cool.

The summer school was different from my normal school in France. The classes were a lot smaller. We only had sixteen pupils in the class in Oxford, but at my school in France there are over thirty five. 2. [____] It was also easier for the teacher to control the class, which meant that we wasted less time.

The lessons were a lot different to the kind of lessons I'm used to. In my normal school, we have a course book and we spend our lessons doing exercises from it. 3. [____]. At summer school, though, we did lots of different activities, such as games, songs and role plays. Because of the variety, I rarely got bored.

Overnight, we all stayed with different families in the city. I stayed with a couple and their teenage daughter. 4. [____]. I was forced to speak English! I had to learn the words for things, or to go without them!

At the time, I didn't think I learned very much in England. But when I returned to my normal school, I noticed the improvement. 5. [____] I had got better by having fun and communicating with English people. All in all, summer school was a useful experience and I recommend it to all teenagers!

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defend it
with all
your might*