

Vocabulary and grammar Life goals

School: compound nouns

1 Choose the correct words to make compound nouns with the words in bold.

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| 1 a head | b sports | c time | hall |
| 2 a staff | b text | c table | room |
| 3 a play | b school | c notice | canteen |
| 4 a science | b head | c playing | laboratory |
| 5 a sports | b notice | c time | table |
| 6 a playing | b play | c text | field |
| 7 a notice | b head | c time | teacher |
| 8 a play | b time | c school | uniform |

2 Read the riddles below. Which person, place or object in exercise 1 are they describing?

- It's wide and long, outside and green.
It's here that football matches are seen.
- What time is maths? When's PE?
We read this to know where we should be.
- Potassium, magnesium, burning hot.
Wear a white coat when you're in this spot.
- It's a big indoor space where we jump and we run.
Playing basketball here can be lots of fun.
- She's the most important person in our school.
She may be kind, but don't break the rules.

Expressing probability

3 Read a student's goals for next year at school. Then write what the student says. Use the words in brackets.

- study science – YES!
- join the tennis club – YES (but not certain)
- play for the football team – NOT LIKELY (but I'll try)
- read more books – YES!
- write for the school magazine – POSSIBLE
- learn to speak French – POSSIBLE
- get better at maths – NOT LIKELY (but I'll try)
- get a part-time job – NO! (too busy at school)

- (certainly) I'll certainly study science.
- (probably)
- (maybe)
- (definitely)
- (may)
- (perhaps)
- (might)
- (certainly)

4 Complete the secret diary with the words below. Then study the information about three famous scientists. Which one could have written the diary?

- perhaps ■ definitely ■ might ■ probably ■ 'll
■ possible ■ won't

This is my secret diary and nobody should read it. It's 1892, and I am currently a student at Luitpold Gymnasium, a high school in Germany, but not for long. Twenty years from now, I'll be famous, and very important. How? Well, I certainly¹ be famous for singing and dancing. Firstly, I hate singing. And secondly, I'm not very good at dancing. I'll² become a successful scientist. This isn't certain, of course, but it's very likely because I'm already very good at physics, mathematics and chemistry. At my school, they don't think I'm clever, but I know that I am. It's³ that I⁴ invent an amazing new machine.⁵ I'll make a box with moving pictures, or I⁶ make a telephone that you can carry in your bag. However, it's more likely that I'll think of a fantastic new theory. Maybe I'll receive a Nobel Prize for it. One thing is for certain: I'll⁷ change the world.

Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen

Born: 27 March 1845, Germany
Awards: Nobel Prize in Physics, 1901

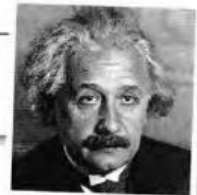


Marie Curie

Born: 7 November 1867, Poland
Awards: Nobel Prize in Physics, 1903;
Nobel Prize in Chemistry, 1911

Albert Einstein

Born: 14 March 1879, Germany
Awards: Nobel Prize in Physics, 1921



5 CHALLENGE! Write about your personal goals for this year at school. Think about:

- subjects you'll study and do well in.
- sports and activities you'll try.
- new things you'll learn to do.