

Audio script

I = Interviewer, R = Rebecca

I: So, how did you _____ school _____ you first _____ to Madrid?

R: A bit _____, to _____ honest. I mean, I _____ friends quite quickly and everyone _____ very friendly, but I remember that to _____ with, my little brother _____ in the corner of the playground _____.

It was _____ – so I _____ of _____ to _____ him a bit, you know!

I: But he made friends in the end?

R: Yeah.

I: And _____ you speak Spanish when you _____ arrived?

R: Kind of. _____ and _____ often speak at it home, so I could _____ a bit, yeah, but in class I _____ everything, which _____.

I: Did you _____ to _____ extra Spanish classes?

R: Not really. There was another girl in the class who spoke English so she translated a _____ at the beginning. Then Mum and Dad helped me at home with my homework. And wow! We have to do so much here!

I: Really?

R: Yeah, I remember really _____ it when I first came because we didn't have to do _____ in primary in England – a bit of reading or _____. _____ now my friends in England _____ when they have to do 45 minutes in secondary school, but I often have two hours – and sometimes study for tests on _____ of that.

I: Wow! OK. That sounds hard. So, are classes different?

R: Primary _____, yeah. It's funny, actually, because I _____ the _____ of primary in England, but then I _____ to do it again here because they have five years of secondary school in England, but _____ four here, so kids start _____ they're twelve – not eleven. Sorry, _____ the question again?

I: _____ classes different?

R: Oh yeah. Well, basically, in primary in England we had the same teacher all day, but here we _____ teachers. I really _____, but others _____ really boring! Sometimes we _____ copy from the book. We _____ textbooks _____ in England and we _____ more projects and _____ things.

I: Right. So, _____ do you prefer?

R: It's difficult to _____. Now I'm _____ *instituto* –

I: Instituto?

R: Oh right, it's like high school – secondary school. We finish at two o'clock every day _____ we _____ three months _____ in the summer, whereas in England my friends finish _____ four and they _____ get six weeks' summer holiday. I _____ my friends in England _____ or read their _____ social media and _____ school is boring too, and they _____ stressed _____ and _____, _____ they have this _____, _____ your teacher _____ some subjects, you _____ the whole year! I don't like that stress.