

READING

1 Read the texts once. Who starts school the earliest?

Tell us about your day...

Three young people from around the world describe a typical school day

A Onni – Finland

I get up at 8.00 am. For breakfast I have cereal and milk, with orange **juice**. After breakfast, I meet my friend, and we go to school together on the metro. Some days school starts at 9.00 but on other days at 10.00. We don't wear a uniform,

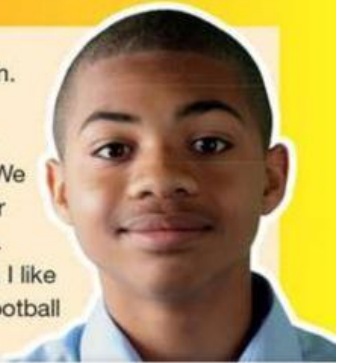
and we call our teachers by their first name. We all get a free lunch at school – meat or fish with vegetables for the **main course** and fruit for **dessert**. School usually finishes at 2.45, and after that I go to music lessons or drama club. I have a **snack** in the evening before bed.

B Diego – Mexico

I wake up at 6.00 am, have a shower and put on my uniform. My breakfast is coffee, with bread and cheese or avocado. At 7.00 am, it's time to go to school. Sometimes I walk, but often my mum drives me. Classes begin at 8.00 and finish at 2.30. After that, I have my art class. I have **lunch** at about 3.00, and then I do my homework. I do it till 6.00 or 7.00. After that, I go on the internet, or watch TV with my family. I have **dinner** at about 8.00.

C Aban – Ghana

My mother wakes me and my sister up at 5.00 am. I water the plants in the garden, and my sister prepares the food for the evening meal. Then we put on our school uniforms and brush our teeth. We leave the house at 6.30 and buy **breakfast** on our way to school. Lessons are from 7.30 to 2.30 pm. Lunch is at school – today, it's rice and tomatoes. I like it, but my sister doesn't! After school I have my football class, and in the evening I watch TV before bed.



2 Read the texts again. For each question, write O (Onni), D (Diego) or A (Aban).

- 1 Who says he uses the computer in the evening?
- 2 Who can choose what he wears to school?
- 3 Who doesn't have breakfast at home?
- 4 Who goes to school by car?
- 5 Who doesn't start school at the same time each day?
- 6 Who does sport after school?
- 7 Who has a hot drink in the morning?



TALKING POINTS

Whose school day is like yours? Whose is different?

Was any of the information surprising to you?

Anna – the USA

I always get up at 6.30 am. Breakfast is cereal and milk. After breakfast, I prepare my school bag and leave the house at 7.30 am. I usually go to school on the school bus, but sometimes my mom drives me. Lessons start at 8.00 am every day. I have lunch at school. My dad makes a cold lunch for me every morning. I usually have sandwiches and fruit. School ends at 2.30 pm and I catch the school bus home. In the evening, I do my homework and watch TV.

Lena – Germany

I get up at 6.00 am and leave the house at 7.00 am. I always walk with my friend Grete. School starts at 7.30 am. We have five or six lessons every day. They finish at 1.30 pm and I usually go home for lunch. I sometimes go to homework club after school. We have dinner at 7.00 pm, and then I often watch videos on the internet.

Yuko – Japan

I get up at 7.30 am and have breakfast with my sisters. It's usually rice or eggs with tea. I put on my uniform, and then I leave the house at 8.15 am and walk to school. Lessons start at 8.30 am. Students all have lunch at school – fish and rice with vegetables. School finishes at 3.00 pm, and I have volleyball or badminton clubs after lessons every day. I leave school at 5.00 pm and go home. In the evening, I go to music lessons and do my homework.

1 Read the texts. For each question, write A (Anna), L (Lena) or Y (Yuko).

- 1 Who has a hot drink in the morning? _____
- 2 Who uses the computer in the evening? _____
- 3 Who goes to school by bus or car? _____
- 4 Who does sport in the afternoon? _____
- 5 Who can't choose what she wears to school? _____
- 6 Who goes home before 2 pm? _____
- 7 Who takes her lunch to school? _____

2 Read the texts again and answer the questions.

- 1 What does Anna have for breakfast?

- 2 How does Yuko travel to school?

- 3 What time does school start for Lena?

- 4 What does Anna usually have for lunch?

- 5 What does Lena do after dinner?

- 6 When does Yuko do her homework?
