

People's possessions.

1. Read the texts.

I don't go out without...

Phra Pachak, 13, Chiang Mai, Thailand



I'm a monk and a monk doesn't go out without his robes!

In Thailand, most Buddhist schoolboys become monks for a year. A monk lives with almost no possessions. A monk lives in a monastery and he **is supposed to** wear orange robes. A monk doesn't wear jeans or T-shirts.

It's **against the rules to** have jewellery and mobile phones in the monastery, but we **are allowed to** have some family photos. My only other possessions are a bowl, a cup, sandals and an umbrella. Every day, very early in the morning, we walk around the streets with our bowls and people give us food. Why? We **aren't supposed to** have money, so we can't buy food.



Laura, 14, Stockport, UK

I don't go out without my school tie and my purse. The tie is part of our school uniform. I've got a house key, my library card and my electronic ID card in my purse. School's OK, but it's very strict. We use the ID card when we arrive at school and when we go into each class. The head teacher doesn't ask the teachers how many classes we go to. The ID cards give the head teacher this information!

We use the ID cards to pay for lunch, so we don't use money at school. I've got a mobile phone, but we **aren't allowed to** use our phones at school. It's against the rules.

2. Look at the photos.

Which possessions do you think are Phra Pachak's and which are **Laura's**?

1. bowl

2. library card

3. sandals

4. tie

5. umbrella

3. Listen and read the texts. Then write true or false. Correct the false sentences.

1. Thai monks wear orange T-shirts.
2. Monks don't talk to their families on mobile phones.
3. People give money to the monks.
4. All the students at Laura's school wear a tie.
5. Laura doesn't go into her classes without a library card.
6. Laura uses an ID card instead of money.

4. Complete the sentences with the correct variants. (look at the model text).

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| 0. He | wear orange robes. (3 words) |
| 1. We | have money. (3 words) |
| 2. | have jewellery. (5 words) |
| 3. We | have some family photos. (3 words) |
| 4. We | use our phones at school. (3 words) |