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Level A1

Week 8

Learning Experience

"LET'S PROMOTE A BETTER ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE
AGAINST THE CONSEQUENCES OF COVID-19"

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Activity 4

Let's make the difference!

PRE-READING!

Exercise 1

IDENTIFY the meaning of the following word:

A. SCHOOL

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n. someone whose job is to teach in a school, college, or university.

B. STUDENT

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n. a place where children go to be educated.

C. TEACHER

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n. a person who is learning at school, college, or university.

DURING READING!

Exercise 2

LISTEN TO and READ the article.



Why do children go to school?

What is school for? This may seem an easy question to answer, but a poll taken in the USA shows people have different opinions on why kids go to school. The poll is called the 'Public's Attitudes Toward the Public Schools'. It is from a global association of education professionals called PDK International. PDK asked Americans to name the biggest purpose of school. Just 45 per cent of people who took part in the poll said the main goal of school was to prepare students to pass exams. Around a quarter of people said the main

purpose was to get kids ready to join the workforce. Just over 26 per cent of Americans believed the biggest reason for school was to teach children about citizenship.

Joshua Starr, CEO of PDK, said the poll questioned whether today's schools were doing the right thing. He said: "One has to really question whether the direction we've been going is consistent with what the public wants." He quoted from author James Baldwin, who said in 1963 that the purpose of school is "to ask questions of the universe and learn to live with those questions." Students had different ideas about what school was for. Elena Brankov, 15, said school was to teach children to be creative, to share ideas with others and to use technology to make the world a better place. Lyndon Bailey, also 15, said school, "is just to make poor kids into robots who work and make rich people richer".



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AFTER READING

Exercise 3 Choose True or False.

1. The article says it seems easy to say what school is for.
2. A poll was taken by an association of technology CEOs.
3. Half of people said kids getting a job was the main reason for schools.
4. A quarter of people said teaching citizenship is the purpose of schools
5. The polling company CEO was sure schools were doing the right thing.
6. The CEO quoted a writer from the twentieth century.
7. The writer said school was to ask questions of the universe.
8. A 15-year-old said schools were to make poor kids richer.

Exercise 4 **MATCH** the following **SYNONYMS**. The words are from the news article.

easy

opinions

global

took part

main

right

direction

author

creative

rich

writer

participated

proper

views

way

imaginative

simple

most important

wealthy

worldwide



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Exercise 5

SPELLING. Unscramble the words in bold to complete the expressions.

1. people have different **poisnnio**
2. from a global **nsitcoaisao**
3. **eapepr** students to pass exams
4. the main **spuepor**
5. ready to join the **freokcrow**
6. teach children about **epizhcnsiit**
7. **ewherth** today's schools were...
8. the **edtocinri** we've been going
9. He **tqodue** from author James Baldwin
10. ask questions of the **ienvurse**
11. teach children to be **vetreiac**
12. make poor kids into **rstobo**