

Step 3

Vocabulary

Schools around the World

1. Choose the correct option.

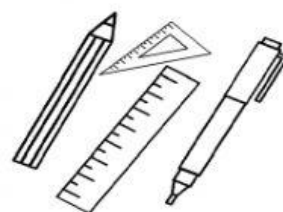
1. Some parents prefer, because they think that teaching children in the home is more effective.
a) home schooling b) private schools c) boarding schools
2. In Russia kids go to the at the age of 7.
a) primary school b) secondary school c) nursery
3. After the primary school they go on to attend the
a) primary school b) secondary school c) nursery
4. children struggle to learn how to hold a pen or pencil because they can't write.
a) Primary school b) Secondary school c) Nursery
5. Some follow the example of private schools in asking parents to donate money.
a) private school b) specialists school c) state school
6. Putting your children through can cost you a lot.
a) private school b) specialists school c) state school
7. She was sent to when she was nine.
a) a co-educational school b) a single-sex school c) a boarding school
8. I'm thinking of enrolling my son in I believe that he'll study better when there are only boys.
a) a co-educational school b) a single-sex school c) a boarding school
9. Most children study at, where boy and girls go together.
a) co-educational schools b) single-sex schools c) boarding schools
10. are schools for students who have already decided what they want to work as.
a) nurseries b) specialist schools c) state schools
11. There are 11 years of in Russia.
a) after-school activities b) compulsory education c) facilities
12. Our school provides all necessary, such as a gym, a swimming pool, computer room, Internet access.
a) after-school activities b) compulsory education c) facilities
13. include the school drama club, the school basketball team and the glee club.
a) After-school activities b) Compulsory education c) Facilities

2. Answer the questions about yourself.

- 1 What type of school do you go to?
- 2 Is it a single-sex or a co-educational school?
- 3 How many days a week do you go to school?
- 4 Are there any early morning/evening classes?
- 5 What time do your lessons finish?
- 6 What facilities does your school have?
- 7 What extra-curricular activities are there at your school?

3. Underline the correct word.

- 1 I am a *pupil/student* at the local university.
- 2 Do you have to wear a *uniform/overalls* to school?
- 3 He has a first class honours *mark/degree* from Oxford University.
- 4 I'll see you in *lesson/class* later on!



4. Match the words. Then, use the phrases to complete the text. You may have to change the form of the verb.

1 attend	a a uniform
2 make	b exams
3 do	c the rules
4 sit	d classes
5 wear	e homework

My name's Peter and I go to the LaGuardia High School of Music, Art and Performing Arts in New York City. I want to be an actor when I'm older and lots of students who (1) at LaGuardia go on to become famous. For example, Jennifer Aniston,

who played Rachel in 'Friends' is an ex-student and so is Al Pacino, one of the most famous actors ever! As LaGuardia is a school for young people talented in the arts you don't have to (2) to win a place here, instead you have to pass an audition in the area you hope to study. However, LaGuardia isn't all about singing, dancing and acting. We have lessons in English, maths and science like any other school and we (3) every night as well. We don't have to (4) at LaGuardia, which is great. The local government (5) and I'm happy about that because I'm more comfortable in my own clothes! I love my school and I feel really lucky to be a pupil there!

5. Fill in with the words from the box in the correct form.

study • fail • enrol • get • graduate

- 1 Alison needs to pass all her exams to into university.
- 2 Keith is for a degree in Geography.
- 3 Johnny will from Leeds University next summer.
- 4 If he doesn't study hard he will his exams.
- 5 I am going to on a cookery course. I'm useless at cooking!

Linking Words (Review)

6. Fill in the gaps with correct linking word/ phrase.

although • on the other hand • such as • to sum up • because • despite • moreover • on the one hand
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Private Schools: For and Against

A lot of people in England think that if we didn't have private schools we would have better state schools, (1) these people usually don't say how you can stop private schools from opening. (2), some of these private schools have very good facilities, (3) gymnasiums and swimming pools. (4), they often have good teachers and get good exam results. (5), you can argue that It Is not fair and not right that people should get better schools for their children (6) they have more money. (7) the good teachers and the good exam results, these people say, we should close these schools down. (8), nobody is saying the system is fair but nobody wants to close good schools either.