

1 Read the text and for each question choose the correct answer A, B or C.

Looking forward to a new school year

It's 13th September! Summer is finished and it's time for school. My name is Diane and I had my 11th birthday on 9th September. This is an important year for me because I'm going to a new school.

I'm a bit worried about having new teachers, but I'm also excited about meeting my new classmates. My brother and sister are already at secondary school. They told me that it's very different from primary school. Firstly, secondary pupils have to wear a school uniform. My sister hates that rule, but my brother Bob thinks it's great because he doesn't have to choose his clothes every morning. It might be boring to wear the same clothes every day, but our uniform is OK – red trousers with a white shirt.

Bob told me about some other rules too. He said I mustn't talk to the other pupils during lessons and I must always listen to my teacher. He also said I can ask my teachers questions, but I have to put my hand up first. My sister Angela is worried that I'll be lonely because I'll miss my old classmates. And she's right! My main interest is photography, so I might become a member of that club to meet new people. And I love football, so I'll definitely ask someone what I have to do to be a part of the football team. Now that I think about it, this could be the best school year ever!

1 Diane will ...

- A be eleven when she starts school this year.
- B be thirteen this summer.
- C have her birthday on 13th September.

2 Diane is nervous because ...

- A she's going to a new school.
- B she has to meet new classmates.
- C she'll have different teachers.

3 All the children in Diane's family ...

- A are now at secondary school.
- B go to primary school.
- C like the clothes they have to wear to school.

4 At Diane's new school ...

- A she can talk to her classmates in lessons.
- B she has to do something before asking questions.
- C her teachers won't ask her to listen.

5 Diane agrees with her sister Angela that she ...

- A mustn't join the school photography club.
- B may feel sad about her friends from her old school.
- C shouldn't play in a school team.

2 Read the text and decide which answer (a, b or c) best fits each gap.

Welcome to Greenfields Secondary School

I would like to welcome all new (0) a to Greenfields Secondary School. You've finished (1) _____ school and that's a very exciting and important event. And this school, which you'll be at until you're sixteen, will be very exciting too, so don't be (2) _____! Here's a list of (3) _____ I want you to read and remember, so you'll know what you can and can't do.

Firstly, you must wear school (4) _____ – just think, you don't have to decide (5) _____ what to wear every morning! Secondly, the school year has got three (6) _____ and during the year you have to study (7) _____ that include maths, English and science. Next, you must always listen (8) _____ your teachers – how can you learn (9) _____ things if you don't? Finally, I don't want to have to punish you (10) _____ doing bad things, so please learn the rules!

Thank you,

Mr Smithers

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| 0 a pupils | b classmates | c teachers |
| 1 a primary | b secondary | c group |
| 2 a difficult | b different | c nervous |
| 3 a subjects | b rules | c interests |
| 4 a uniform | b pupil | c term |
| 5 a on | b for | c to |
| 6 a groups | b terms | c interests |
| 7 a classmates | b uniforms | c subjects |
| 8 a for | b about | c to |
| 9 a on | b about | c for |
| 10 a for | b to | c about |

3 Choose the correct word.

- 0 Are you a **classmate** / **member** of the walking club?
- 1 I want to thank my English teacher, Mrs Banks, **about** / **for** all her help.
- 2 You should join some clubs, so you won't be **lonely** / **nervous**.
- 3 You might **do** / **make** some friends at your new school, Jamal.
- 4 Karen may be in **touch** / **group** with her old classmates, but I'm not sure.
- 5 You don't have to agree **about** / **with** me – tell me what you think!
- 6 **Why** / **What** don't you join a sports club?
- 7 We're **moving** / **joining** house and I'll have to go to a new school.
- 8 Let me give you some **contact** / **advice** about your first day at school.
- 9 You'll have to work hard if you want to **learn** / **pass** your exams.
- 10 I lost **contact** / **subject** with my old friends after we moved.

4 Write a word from the box in each gap.

classmates group interests
nervous rules subject

- 0 What's your favourite school subject?
- 1 You should find a(n) _____ of friends you really like hanging out with.
- 2 Join a club – you might find people with the same _____ as you!

- 3 Petra shouldn't be _____ – she's going to win the match.
 4 Could my three _____ and I leave the room, please?
 5 All members have to know the _____ of the club.

5 Match the two halves of the sentences.

- 0 Pupils should tidy d
 1 Pupils can't eat _____
 2 Pupils mustn't ask _____
 3 You shouldn't take _____
 4 We don't have to _____
 5 Pupils can leave _____

- a your classmates' homework.
 b questions when the teacher is talking.
 c in the school canteen after 2 o'clock.
 d their classroom at the end of the day.
 e play sports every day at my school.
 f school at 3 o'clock.

6 Choose the correct words.

Hi Inez,

Today was my first day at secondary school. It was cool! Last year when I was at primary school I (0) **had to / should** wear a school uniform, but this year we (1) **mustn't / don't have to**. There are some rules, of course. For example, pupils (2) **mustn't / might** chew gum or use mobile phones during lessons. We (3) **must / don't have to** always listen when the teacher is talking. We (4) **have to / shouldn't** take ten subjects every term, but we (5) **can / might** choose two of them ourselves. (6) **May / Can** you decide on the subjects you want to take at your school? I'm feeling a bit lonely here. My mum said I (7) **should / can't** join a club, so I think I (8) **mustn't / might** join the music club. (9) Do you think we **could / must** chat online later? I (10) **may / can** go skateboarding this afternoon, but I'll be back around four, so we can chat then, OK?

Bye for now!

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7 Choose the correct answer.

- 0 You b listen to the teacher when she's talking!
 a couldn't
 b must

1 Our geography teacher is ill, but she _____ be back tomorrow.

a can

b should

2 It _____ be the best school concert ever!

a could

b shouldn't

3 Pupils _____ chew gum in the classrooms – that's a rule!

a mustn't

b might

4 You _____ help me with my homework – I've just finished.

a don't have to

b can

5 He _____ do the difficult maths problem. He didn't listen to his teacher.

a may

b can't

6 You _____ watch TV while you're doing your homework.

a shouldn't

b don't have to

7 _____ I join the football team?

a Can

b Mustn't

8 At our school we _____ wear a grey uniform.

a could

b have to

9 We _____ go on a school trip next week.

a have

b might

10 _____ I have some more paper, please?

a Could

b Should