

1 ★ Read the text. Choose the correct answer.

The school is different because the students ...

- a learn to make boats.
- b have all their lessons on boats.
- c go out on boats in the school day.

Windermere School

A It's 8 a.m. and the students in Year 7 at Windermere boarding school are having breakfast. They're all wearing school uniform, ready for their first lesson at 8.45.

B Perhaps you're thinking: 'That sounds like the start of the day at a normal boarding school.' But Windermere School in the north of England isn't a normal school.

C When these eleven and twelve-year-old students are in class and they look out of the window, they can see something amazing. It's Lake Windermere – one of the most beautiful lakes in England.

D Most days, the students study subjects like maths, art, English or science from 8.45 to 4.00, with lunch at 12.45. But every two weeks, all the boys and girls go out of the school for a morning or an afternoon.

E Then it's time for a special visit to the national park around the school. Students climb in the mountains here or go on the lake in boats – the school has got a lot of boats and the students often use these.

F 'I love our time on the lake!' says twelve-year-old Ellie. 'It's one of the best things about life here at the school.'



2 ★★ Read the text again and write *true* or *false*.

Windermere is a boarding school. *true*

- 1 The students can see the lake from the school.
- 2 Every week the students go out of the school for a morning or afternoon.
- 3 Windermere School is only for boys.
- 4 The school is in a national park.
- 5 The school has got one boat.
- 6 Ellie really likes her time on the lake.

3 ★★ Read the text again. Match the information with paragraphs A–F.

The time of lunch at the school.

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- 1 The location of the school in the UK.
- 2 The name of the lake next to the school.
- 3 The name of a girl at the school.
- 4 The time of breakfast.
- 5 Some of the subjects at the school.
- 6 Where the students climb.

4 ★★ Answer the questions. Write complete sentences.

What are the students doing at 8 a.m.?

They're having breakfast.

1 What are the students wearing?

2 Why is Lake Windermere special?

3 When do lessons finish every day?

4 What do the students use when they go on the lake?

5 Do you think boarding schools are a good idea?
Why / Why not?

6 Do you like the sound of this school?
Why / Why not?

5 ★★ VOCABULARY PLUS Complete the sentences with the words.

boat boarding primary private secondary

Our project is about a boarding school.

Students live at the school and sleep there.

- 1 We're learning about a school in India. The children there are from five to eleven years old.
- 2 The school in my project is different. It's on the water and it's called a school.
- 3 This is a TV programme about an expensive school in the UK.
- 4 That school in the picture is for older students from eleven to sixteen. It's a school.