

READING

A blog post

- 1 Look at the blog post quickly. Why is Chloe's life new? Tick (✓) the correct answer.

- a She's just got married. ☐
b She's at university now. ☐
c She's just finished university. ☐

- 2 Read the blog post and check the meaning of the words in the box in a dictionary. Then complete the sentences.

disappointed keen lecture
law plenty of surrounded

- 1 I did badly in my exams. I'm really disappointed!
2 I'm very _____ to move out, but I haven't got the money now!
3 The campsite was _____ by trees, so it was very beautiful.
4 My cousin's studying _____. He says it's lots of work.
5 I know _____ people, but do I have any real friends?
6 I've just been to a really interesting _____.

- 3 Read the first paragraph of the blog post and answer the questions. Write 'no information' if there is no answer in the text.

- 1 Which university is Chloe going to?

2 What does Chloe mean when she says that you 'have to start from zero'?

3 Why are things turning out well?

- 4 Read the second paragraph of the blog post and complete the table.

	Studying at school	Studying at university
1	classes in small groups	
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- 5 Do you think it's a good idea to study away from home? Write three or four sentences.

CHLOE'S CORNER

BLOG

ABOUT

FAQS

A NEW LIFE!

Have you ever had a really special time in your life? Well, I'm having one now because I've just started university! I was really looking forward to it and, so far, I haven't been disappointed! My principal worry before coming was: would it be easy to make new friends? It's a good question because, when you go to uni, you have to start from zero. The old friends you used to see at home aren't there anymore, so you need to create a completely new social life. Well, I'm glad to say that things are turning out really well. I'm living in a hall of residence, which is a special building just

for students. It's the ideal place to be in your first year because you're surrounded by new faces! And everyone's keen to make new friends.

Studying at university feels very different from how things used to be at school. Although there were a lot of students at school, there are over 100 students at my lectures. At school, we would have the chance to ask questions and to discuss things with our teachers. Now you just sit down and take notes! Another big difference is that I only have 12 hours of lectures per week (I'm studying law). The

rest of the time I spend studying alone. That can be quite difficult because you need a lot of discipline! And there are plenty of other, more interesting things to do!

I've settled down really well to university life. There's just one 'small' problem: I need to study more!

