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Summer High: the school 'where children don't have to go to lessons' or 'the school with no rules'. But it's not true: at Summer High kids have to obey the rules, but they also make the rules. How? Teachers and pupils have a meeting and they

all have one vote. Kimoko from Japan is reading *Kensuke's Kingdom* by Michael Morpurgo because, for her homework, she is translating the novel from English into Japanese. But she chose to do it. She didn't have to do it. That's the difference. That's Summer High.

At Summer High, there are 172 rules and punishments, for example: pupils don't have to wear a uniform, they can't use mobile phones in class, there's no homework to do, and so on.

They have to do household tasks

(for example, tidy the classrooms or wash the dishes). And here are some of the punishments: pupils have to stay behind after school, do extra writing, apologise etc.

Summer High believes that we should let children take decisions and risks. Children shouldn't just listen: they should ask questions, too. Summer High also believes pupils should do well at school because in this way they can be successful and happy.

Max went to Summer High because he had problems at his old school: he had to take a lot of exams and was very stressed; he had to leave the school.

'Summer High gave me a second chance', says Max.

'Did you have to take any exams at Summer High?'

'Yes, I took English, maths and history.'

'Was all that freedom a good thing?'

'Yes, because it made me enjoy learning. I didn't have to learn: I chose to!'



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