Education and learning I

1. TOPIC VOCABULARY. Read the story and complete it with the words from the list. Use every word only once!

Last year, I finished Year 9 at a small village school where I had studied since I was a child. At the end of [1]_____ school, I took the state tests and [2]_____ every exam, so I felt really happy and proud of myself.

This September, I started studying at a much larger [3]_____ school in the nearest city. On my first day, I was surprised by how many [4]_____ there were in the corridors. I didn't know anyone, so I felt nervous and a little lost at first.

We had more subjects and more [5]_____ at home than at my previous school. Some [6]_____ were also more difficult, for example, Maths and Physics. I soon understood that I would need to make a real effort if I wanted to [7]_____ good results. I also had to get used to [8]_____ in a faster and more independent way.

After a few weeks, I started feeling more comfortable. I met some friendly [9]_____ and began to enjoy the new environment. I think being friendly, responsible and hard-working are useful [10]_____ in a new school. I am also becoming more confident when speaking in front of the class.

2. PHRASAL VERBS. Choose the correct phrasal verbs to complete the sentences.

1. Some students _____ school because they have serious personal problems.
2. I didn't understand the new topic at first, but after some practice I finally _____.
3. _____ a lot of homework can sometimes be stressful.
4. At first, Leo disliked the idea of playing handball, but he _____ it after talking to his friends.
5. We disagreed about the presentation topic, but I _____ and accepted her idea.
6. I should _____ my homework before I start doing something fun.
7. I need some time to _____ which subject I want to choose next year.
8. I _____ the wrong answer and wrote the correct one.
9. He is having difficulty _____ the rest of the class, because he was ill at home for 3 weeks.
10. With some practice, you should _____ the speaking part of the SVD.

3. WORD PATTERNS. Choose the correct prepositions. You can use them more than once!

1. I know you are capable _____ doing this task.
2. After a few weeks of practice, he was able _____ play some songs on the guitar.
3. This course is suitable _____ students who want to improve their English.
4. Toby was boasting _____ his new iPhone 17 Pro Max during the break.
5. During the class lesson, we learnt _____ different jobs and careers.
6. I failed _____ finish my homework before the lesson started.
7. I really admire my sister _____ working hard and never giving up.
8. My new school is quite similar _____ my old one, but it is much bigger.
9. After discussing the ideas, we finally settled _____ a topic for our Physics presentation.
10. Jennie succeeded _____ improving her English skills last year.

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