

ATLANTIC COLLEGE



Read the article and do the multiple choice

Last week I went to visit Atlantic College, an excellent private college in Wales. Unusually, it gives young people much needed experience of life outside the classroom, as well as the opportunity to study for their exams. The students, who are aged between 6 and 18 and come from all over the world, spend the morning studying. In the afternoon they go out and do a really useful activity, such as helping on the farm, looking after people with learning difficulties, or checking for pollution in rivers.

One of the great things about Atlantic College students is that they come from many different social backgrounds and countries. As few can afford the fees of £20,000 over two years, grants are available. A quarter of the students are British, and many of those can only attend because they receive government help.

"I really admire the college for trying to encourage international understanding among young people", as Barbara Molenkamp, a student from the Netherlands, said. "You learn to live with people and respect them, even the ones you don't like. During the summer holidays my mother couldn't believe how much less I argued with my sister.

To sum up, Atlantic College gives its students an excellent education, using methods which really seem to work.

1 What is the writer trying to do in the text?

- A give an opinion about a particular student
- B give an opinion about a special type of education
- C describe the activities the students do in their free time
- D describe his own experience of education

2 What can a reader find out about from this text?

- A how to become a student at Atlantic College
- B what kind of program Atlantic College offers
- C what the British education system is like
- D how to get along better with other people

3 What is the writer's opinion of Atlantic College?

- A It doesn't allow students enough study time.
- B Its students are taught to like each other
- C It doesn't give good value for money.
- D Its way of teaching is successful.

4 Since being at Atlantic College, Barbara

- A has learned a lot about other countries
- B has become more confident than her sister.
- C finds it easier to get on with other people.
- D prefers her new family

5 Which advertisement uses correct information about Atlantic College?

- A** Study at Atlantic College.
Courses for 16-18 year olds
Lessons all morning, sport in the afternoon

- B** Study at Atlantic College
Courses for 16-18 years olds
Morning lessons and afternoon activities.
Help with fees available

- C** Study at Atlantic College.
Classes on international topics.
Many free places available.
Students of all ages welcome

- D** Study at Atlantic College
Learn English in a beautiful place
Lots of weekend activities
Help with fees available