

You are going to hear a radio interview about homework. Listen and choose the correct answer.

1. What were French parents protesting about?
 - a. Their children's school day is too long.
 - b. Their children don't have time for after-school activities.
 - c. Parents are under pressure to help with homework.
2. What has happened in Germany and the United States?
 - a. The government has eliminated homework.
 - b. There have been protests eliminating homework.
 - c. Individual schools have stopped giving homework.
3. What is the UK Government going to do?
 - a. Reduce the amount of homework.
 - b. Give headteachers more independence.
 - c. Write homework guidelines based on students' age.
4. What does research say about homework?
 - a. It is essential for academic achievement.
 - b. It does not help academically.
 - c. There are various results.
5. What is Anthony Beck's opinion of the changes?
 - a. It may have a negative effect on education.
 - b. It is a change for the better.
 - c. It means exams will have to change.

Complete the gaps with a suitable word

1. The French president has actually decided to get _____ of homework in primary and middle schools.
2. This move is a _____ to protests by French parents.
3. Parents claim homework is _____ because some students can get help from their parents.

4. Isn't the anti-homework movement _____ on all over the world?
5. Now in the UK head teachers are free to decide how much homework teachers should _____.
6. Let's hope that academic _____ don't go down because of all these changes.