

## ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and decide if each statement (1-10) is True (A) or False (B).

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Although people can go on learning while they are physically able to do so, compulsory education ends when school students reach a certain age. This is the picture of what happens in Greece today. The information comes from Laws 1566/1985 and 2640/1998 which relate to Education. Effort has been made to make it simple for everybody to understand.

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Once High School students finish Junior High School, which usually happens at the age of 15, the Law offers them three options:

- They can stop compulsory education altogether.
- They can continue their compulsory education and attend Senior High School.
- They can attend a Vocational High School (EPAL).

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Students who continue their education may transfer from one type of school (e.g. Senior High School) to another (e.g. EPAL), if they change their mind later on. This is done only under certain conditions.

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In Senior High School, Greek students get a general type of education. Almost every town has a Senior High School. Vocational High Schools specialize in various sciences and technical subjects. Only cities and big towns have an EPAL. Also, not every EPAL covers all sciences and specialisations. It is, therefore, probable that the choice of an EPAL, on the part of Junior High School leavers, may mean moving from the area they live in in order to specialize in what they want.

(Words: 230)



| STATEMENTS |                                                                                                     | A    | B     |
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|            |                                                                                                     | TRUE | FALSE |
| 1.         | People stop learning after a certain age.                                                           |      |       |
| 2.         | In Greece parents can choose if they want to send their children to school or not.                  |      |       |
| 3.         | When students finish Junior High School, they can go to an EPAL if they want to.                    |      |       |
| 4.         | In Greece students have the choice not to attend a Senior High School.                              |      |       |
| 5.         | Senior High School students who decide to move to an EPAL are not allowed to do so.                 |      |       |
| 6.         | Senior High School students focus on specific subjects and sciences.                                |      |       |
| 7.         | Vocational High Schools can be found in all Greek neighbourhoods.                                   |      |       |
| 8.         | Students who want to specialize in a technical subject should attend an EPAL.                       |      |       |
| 9.         | There are more Vocational High Schools (EPAL) than Senior High Schools in Greece.                   |      |       |
| 10.        | Students can attend an EPAL of another area depending on the specialization they are interested in. |      |       |

## ΘΕΜΑ 2<sup>ο</sup>. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Match each underlined word in the sentences below (11-20) with a word from the box that has a similar meaning (A-J). Use each word only once.

|    |        |    |           |    |         |    |        |    |           |
|----|--------|----|-----------|----|---------|----|--------|----|-----------|
| A. | choice | B. | give      | C. | attempt | D. | region | E. | sort      |
| F. | move   | G. | necessary | H. | include | I. | go on  | J. | schooling |

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| 11. | Wearing seat belts in cars is <u>compulsory</u> by law.                           |
| 12. | If we could all make an <u>effort</u> to keep this office cleaner, it would help. |
| 13. | The best <u>option</u> would be to cancel the trip altogether.                    |
| 14. | It's a country that places great importance on <u>education</u> .                 |
| 15. | Houses in the London <u>area</u> are very expensive.                              |
| 16. | She wants to <u>transfer</u> some money to her daughter's bank account.           |
| 17. | Did he <u>offer</u> any explanation for his strange behaviour?                    |
| 18. | I'll <u>continue</u> working until the end of June.                               |
| 19. | These articles <u>cover</u> what we've just discussed in more detail.             |
| 20. | This <u>type</u> of illness is very common in children.                           |