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Reading

1 Look at the sentences about starting the new school year. Read the text and decide if each question is correct. If it is correct, write A. If it is incorrect, write B.

- 1 Olga is looking forward to her English lessons at school. _____
- 2 Ivan says he knows more than his teacher about computers. _____
- 3 Ivan doesn't care about his grades. _____
- 4 Irini thinks her school lessons will be useful for her future. _____
- 5 Irini wants a better school experience this year. _____

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We all need some education!

So the long hot summer is over and it's time to get down to some hard work again. We asked three young people what they expect from the new school year.

Olga, 13, says, 'I had a great summer and for three weeks I was in England doing an English course so I think I'm ready to do well in this subject this year. I also have private lessons with an American teacher and she helps me a lot, especially with speaking. Of course, I have many other lessons that I'm not so good at, but English is definitely my favourite because our teacher at school last year made everything fun – even grammar! I hope we have the same teacher this year.'

Ivan, 14, says, 'Well, what I like best is computer studies because I think I'm quite good at it and I know a bit about how computers work. I spend a lot of time playing computer games at home, but I hope this year I'll learn how to make programs and find out more about computer languages. My dad works in IT and he helps me with this subject. I'm not so good at some other subjects, but I'm going to try hard this year. My marks were not the best before the summer and I want to improve.'

Irini, 13, says, 'I'm not really looking forward to school this year. OK, it'll be great to see all my friends again after the long break, and most of the teachers, but I've already decided what I want to do as a career and school doesn't help me with that. I plan to be a musician – I play the piano and the guitar, so I concentrate on my music lessons outside school and practise during my free time. I just hope all the lessons I have to do at school will be more interesting than last year.'