

THE END-OF-YEAR PARTY

1. READ THE TEXT

Every June, Merton Secondary School has an end-of-year party. The Student President, who is elected by the students, organises this party. Nicole and Toby are getting ready to go.

'This party is going to be amazing,' Toby said.

'I hope so,' said Nicole.

But when they got to the party, Nicole and Toby were disappointed. The music wasn't very good and the school hall wasn't decorated.

'This is rubbish,' Toby said. 'There's no atmosphere at all.'

'I know what you mean,' Nicole replied. 'We shouldn't hold the party in the school hall. We should hold it in a

hall. We should hold it in a more exciting venue, we should decorate it and we should hire a good DJ.'

'Why don't you stand for election in September?' Toby said. 'I think you'll be a great Student President and you'll organise a wicked party!'

Three months later, Nicole decided to take Toby's advice. She put up some posters

around the school asking students to vote for her. She promised to organise the best end-of-year party ever, in a great venue.

Nicole won the election. In February, she started to organise the party. She had a budget of £250. She phoned a lot of venues, but they all charged around £600 for the evening. Finally, Nicole found a local youth club which only charged £100. She booked the club and a DJ and ordered some drinks.

But a month before the party, disaster struck. There was a fire at the youth club

and Nicole had to find a new venue quickly. She talked to Mr Bradshaw, the Art teacher at school.

'Why don't you use the school hall again?' he said.

'But I promised the students a better venue,' Nicole said.

Then she had an idea. She talked to Toby about it.

'There are about sixty students. I can sell tickets for £10 each, and I'll have enough money to book a good venue,' Nicole said.

'That's not fair,' Toby said. 'Some people can't afford £10. I think you should keep looking for a cheaper venue.'

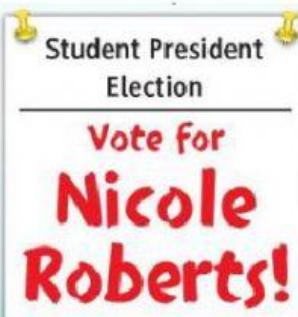
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'But I haven't got time to look,' Nicole said. 'Our exams are in three weeks.'

Nicole's mum agreed.

'You should cancel the end-of-year party. Your exams are the most important thing now.'

Nicole didn't know what to do.



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END-OF-YEAR PARTY

NEW WORDS:

disappointed- разочарован

reply- отговаряム

hold a party- провеждам парти

elect- гласувам

elections- избори

wicked- страшотно

charge- таксувам

venue- зала

disaster- бедствие



2. ANSWER THE QUESTIONS:

- 1 When is the end-of-year party? *In June.*
- 2 Why was the party disappointing?
- 3 How did Nicole win the election?
- 4 How much money did Nicole have for the party?
- 5 What venue did she find?
- 6 What was the disaster?
- 7 What are her options now?