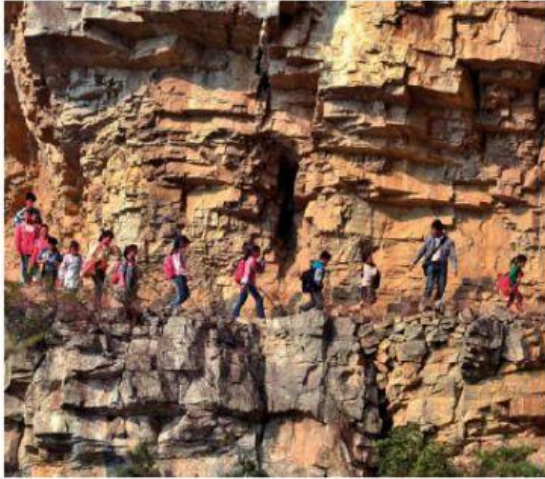




How dangerous is your journey to school?
Perhaps you have to walk across a busy road
or ride your bike in traffic. But in general, your
journey is probably safe. For some children,
it's very different ...

1 Banpo Elementary School in China is on a mountain. The path to school is very **narrow** and dangerous. The children have to walk in a line. When they meet somebody, they have to stand against the mountain while the person passes. For the parents, it is very worrying. Fortunately, the head teacher of the school walks with the children every morning.

2 A group of children in Sumatra, Indonesia, have to cross a **wide** river every morning on their way to school. The bridge across the river is broken, so about 20 children have to walk across a rope. The rope is ten metres above the water. After that, they have to walk ten kilometres through the jungle! And of course, at the end of the school day, they have to do the same journey again on their way home.

3 Students in Minh Hoa in Vietnam have to cross a river on their way to and from school every day. There are no bridges or boats, so the children swim. They put their books and clothes in **large** plastic bags so they do not get **wet**. The bags also help the children to stay safe in the water (the water is 20 metres deep). When they reach the other side, they take their **dry** clothes out of the bag and put them on.

4 Near Bogotá, the capital of Colombia, some children have to cross a large valley to get to school. At the bottom of the valley is the Rio Negro, a huge river. There is only one way to cross the valley: on a zip wire. That's a metal rope, 800 metres long and 400 metres above the river. The journey is very fast. In fact, it only takes about one minute! **Small** children cannot travel across the valley alone, so their brother or sister puts them in a bag!

- 1 **SPEAKING** Look at the photos. Why do these children have to go on dangerous journeys, do you think?
- 2 Read the introduction to the text. Check your ideas for exercise 1.
- 3 Read the text. Match texts (1–4) with photos (A–D).

Reading Strategy

When you match sentences to texts, make sure the whole sentence matches the information in the text. Do not just look for one or two words that are in the text and the sentence.

- 4 Read the **Reading Strategy**. Then match sentences (A–G) with texts (1–4).

Which group of children ...

- A sometimes put a family member inside a bag?
- B cannot use the bridge across the river?
- C travel very fast?
- D have to swim across a river?
- E have to walk along a dangerous path?
- F have a long walk as part of their journey to school?
- G travel to school with their head teacher?

- 5 **VOCABULARY** Put the **highlighted** adjectives in the text into four pairs of opposites.

6 **VOCABULARY** Find these words in the text. Then match them with the pictures below.

In the wilderness boat bridge jungle mountain
path river rope valley



7 Complete the questions about the text using the question words below.

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- 1 In _____ country is Banpo Elementary School?
- 2 _____ walks with the children on the mountain path?
- 3 _____ high is the rope across the river in Sumatra?
- 4 _____ children have to walk across the rope?
- 5 _____ is Minh Hoa?
- 6 _____ do the children in Minh Hoa have to swim across the river?
- 7 _____ is the name of the river near Bogotá?

1 Look at the board. What do they have to do today? Complete the sentences with the correct form of *have to*.

Things to do today	
Mum	go shopping cook dinner
Dad	get up at 10.30 do the ironing ☺
Mike and Jess	do homework
Granny	get up late today set the table
Me	get up early ☺ no homework today! ☹

- 1 Granny _____ get up early.
- 2 Mike and Jess _____ go shopping.
- 3 Dad _____ do the ironing.
- 4 I _____ do my homework.
- 5 Mum _____ go shopping.
- 6 Dad _____ get up early.
- 7 Granny _____ set the table.
- 8 Mike and Jess _____ do their homework.
- 9 I _____ get up early.
- 10 Mum _____ set the table.

2 Complete the dialogue with the correct affirmative, negative or interrogative form of *have to*.

Lily ¹ _____ get up early for school?

Andy Yes, ² _____. I ³ _____ get up at 6.45 every morning.

Do you have to get up early?

Lily No, I don't. I live near the school. But on Friday I ⁴ _____ get up early because I have an extra maths lesson before school.

Andy Do you have to do homework at the weekend?

Lily No, ⁵ _____. I do all my homework during the week.

Andy I usually do my homework on Saturday because we visit my grandparents on Sunday. We always go out to lunch with them so my mum ⁶ _____ cook.

Lily On Sundays, we don't go out because my mum ⁷ _____ study.

Andy Really?

Lily Yes, she wants to be a teacher, so she ⁸ _____ study every weekend.

2 Match the questions with the correct answers.

- 1 How often do you play tennis?
- 2 What time do you have dinner?
- 3 Where does your uncle live?
- 4 Who are those boys?
- 5 Which bicycle is yours?
- 6 How do you know Anton?
- 7 Why do you want to stay at home?
- 8 When can we go?
- 9 How many lessons do you have today?
- 10 What do you usually do on Saturday morning?

- a In Sweden.
- b He's my cousin.
- c After breakfast.
- d Every Sunday.
- e Usually at 7 p.m.
- f They're some friends from my class.
- g The red one.
- h Because I'm tired.
- i I go to the library with my mum.
- j Six.