8.5 Listening and Vocabulary

A modern school



1 Look at the photo of a classroom and answer the questions.

1 What are the students doing? How are they feeling?
2 Is it similar or different to your school?

2 8.12 Listen to a podcast about an unusual school in Denmark. Choose the correct answer.

1 Architects designed the school so that it
   a has only one classroom.
   b looks normal inside.
   c has a lot of open spaces.
2 On a normal school day, pupils can
   a work in an office.
   b use the library next door.
   c eat lunch in a canteen with glass walls.
3 The head teacher believes that pupils
   a need good computer skills.
   b don't like working on their own.
   c must work hard.
4 Pupils at Ørestad Gymnasium
   a start school at half past eight.
   b have helpful teachers.
   c don't have any exams.

3 Would you enjoy going to a school like Ørestad Gymnasium? Why?/Why not? Discuss in pairs.

4 8.13 **I KNOW!** Complete the Vocabulary box with the words below. Listen and check. Can you add more words?

computer room pupil Science lab
~~secondary school~~ sports hall stairs

VOCABULARY School and education

Places of learning
college primary school [1] *secondary school*
university

People in schools
classmate form tutor head teacher
Maths/English teacher [2] _____

Places in schools
canteen classroom [3] _____ library
playground [4] _____ [5] _____
staff room [6] _____

5 Complete the sentences with words from the Vocabulary box.

1 Luke was late for school every day last week and had to see the *head teacher* .
2 There's always a long queue for the _____ at lunchtime.
3 I changed class last year – my new _____ are definitely nicer people!
4 Sometimes we play basketball in the _____ in wet weather.
5 The teachers relax in the _____ between lessons.

6 8.14 **WORD FRIENDS** In pairs, complete the sentences with the words below. Listen and check.

do (x2) give ~~make~~ write

1 The best way to revise for a test is to *make* notes.
2 We _____ a lot of grammar exercises in English lessons.
3 I'm quite shy, so I feel nervous before I _____ presentations.
4 I always _____ my homework after I get home from school.
5 It's hard to _____ essays in class.

YOUR WORLD

7 In pairs, ask and answer the questions.

- How often do you talk to your head teacher and form tutor?
- How often do you use the school library/ computer room?
- Do you prefer to give presentations or write essays? Why?

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