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

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- 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?