



## SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Do you like to go school shopping each year? For many students, school shopping just isn't necessary. These students go to school where school uniforms are required. School uniforms are typically a white shirt with dark pants or a skirt. There is no need to check out the local ads for the new styles or trends—these children already know what they will wear on the first day of school long before it arrives.

Some people feel that uniforms are not a good idea. They think that children should be able to have a choice in what they wear. Wearing uniforms seems too strict. Bad behavior doesn't happen because of the clothes they are wearing. Uniforms can be a hassle. Some people feel that they are uncomfortable. It can be boring to wear the same thing every day.

On the other hand, many people agree with student uniforms. These people feel that uniforms make all students feel safe and comfortable. You don't have to worry about gangs when everyone is wearing the same uniform. Behavior improves when students wear a uniform and dress nicely. Uniforms can also be much cheaper than the latest fads. Some say that uniforms are easy to wear, and they are comfortable, too.

So what is your opinion?



### STORY QUESTIONS

1. What is the main idea of the third paragraph about school uniforms?
  - a. School uniforms may be a good idea.
  - b. School uniforms show school spirit.
  - c. School uniforms can be expensive.
  - d. School uniforms are uncomfortable, but they keep the students in line.
2. What is one of the reasons presented in the passage that supports the idea that student uniforms improve student behavior?
  - a. Students are more comfortable in school uniforms.
  - b. There are winter and summer uniforms available.
  - c. Students can't wear gang-related clothing if school uniforms are the rule.
  - d. Students feel safe at school because the uniforms are protective gear.
3. Which statement shows that the author is trying to appeal to the parents in the audience?
  - a. Wearing uniforms seems too strict.
  - b. Uniforms can be much cheaper than the latest fads.
  - c. Uniforms are easy to wear and comfortable.
  - d. Uniforms can be a hassle.