

Unit 6 Basic Test ★

Listening

1 [1.07] Listen to a conversation between two friends about possible jobs. Who says what? Read the extracts below and write **R (Rea)** or **M (Max)** next to each one. (10 marks)

- 1 I'm looking at this website M
- 2 I like engineering _____
- 3 that sounds exciting _____
- 4 studying for a degree _____
- 5 you're excellent at maths _____
- 6 offer training courses _____
- 7 complete the course _____
- 8 apply for a job _____
- 9 strong technical knowledge _____
- 10 I enjoy problem-solving _____
- 11 use these skills in other jobs _____

Vocabulary

2 Choose the correct words. (5 marks)

I've been at secondary school for three years now. I like my school and the teachers are friendly, but we have to ¹ **get / obey** a lot of rules. I always ² **do / make** my homework on time and I ³ **pass / get** good marks in my exams. I ⁴ **go to / get** lessons in the morning and the afternoon. I want to be a journalist, so I need to study really hard to ⁵ **go / get** into college.

3 Match words 1–10 with definitions a–j. (10 marks)

- 1 school uniform: _____
- 2 primary school: _____
- 3 school leaver: _____
- 4 mixed school: _____
- 5 school holidays: _____
- 6 boarding school: _____
- 7 homeschool: _____
- 8 single-sex school: _____
- 9 secondary school: _____
- 10 school rules: _____

- a a school where both girls and boys can study
- b living and going to school in the same place
- c when a student is educated in their own house
- d special clothes worn by students at school
- e a school for only boys or girls
- f a school for children aged 5–11
- g a period when you don't have to go to school
- h a person who has just finished their education
- i laws in the school that students must obey
- j a school for children aged 12–16

Language focus

4 Choose the correct words. (10 marks)

- 1 At my last school, we **can't / couldn't** wear our own clothes. We wore a school uniform instead.
- 2 Students **are able to / can't** stay at this school after the age of 16. They have to go to college.
- 3 In the future, students **will be able to / can** choose from a wider variety of subjects.
- 4 These days, students **could / can** email their teachers for help with their homework.
- 5 In the past, girls and boys **were not able to / can't** study in the same class.
- 6 We **can / will** be able to do our exams online.
- 7 He **couldn't / can't** speak French three years ago.
- 8 He **wasn't able to / can't** go to class last week.
- 9 I **will be able to / couldn't** study a lot next month.
- 10 Robert **could / won't be able to** get into college in September because of his low marks.

5 Decide if these school rules are correct (✓) or incorrect (*). (10 marks)

- 1 You must wear your school uniform. _____
- 2 You need to walk quietly in the corridors. _____
- 3 You should bring a parent's note from home if you want to leave school at lunchtime. _____
- 4 You have to go home for class registration. _____
- 5 You mustn't eat in the computer room. _____
- 6 You must be in class when the bell rings. _____
- 7 You shouldn't talk to your teacher if you're having trouble at school. _____
- 8 You have to talk during an exam. _____
- 9 You should respect your classmates. _____
- 10 You don't need to study for exams. _____

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6 Complete the sentences with the words in the box. (5 marks)

have need must should mustn't

- 1 You _____ use your mobile phone in class.
- 2 I _____ to pass this test – it's important.
- 3 It's raining outside. You _____ wear a coat.
- 4 I _____ to buy some new shoes for school.
- 5 To drive a car, you _____ have a licence.

Reading

Learning: the Finnish way

Students obey the rules, teachers are respected, students attend lessons for the least amount of hours but still get the best qualifications. So why are schools in Finland so successful?

Students don't have to start school until the age of seven. They learn through playing and exploring rather than having to be in a classroom all day. Each teacher has a group of fifteen to twenty students that they look after and care for. Students only have three to four classes a day, which means that they have time to play outside whatever the weather. They get some exercise and move around in the fresh air.

Teachers don't have to follow a curriculum. They create their own exciting lessons. For example, they have time for students to learn sewing, cooking, cleaning and woodwork. Finnish students do the least amount of homework in the world. Students get the work done in class instead. The teacher gives the students a suggested task, and if they do it in class, they won't need to do any schoolwork at home.

7 Read the text. Then choose the correct words. (10 marks)

- 1 Teachers / Students obey the rules.
- 2 Students get the **worst / best** qualifications.
- 3 Students don't have to start school until they are the age of **five / seven**.
- 4 Students learn by **playing / being in a classroom all day**.
- 5 Students have **more / less** than five lessons a day.
- 6 Students **have / don't have** time to play outside.
- 7 Teachers / Students create their own lessons.
- 8 Students can learn how to **drive / cook**.
- 9 They do the **least / most** homework in the world.

10 Teachers allow the class to do the tasks in **class / at home** instead.

Communication

8 Complete the conversation. (5 marks)

- A: Is anything the matter? You look upset.
B: Yes, I can't find a job. What ¹ s _ _ _ d I do?
A: Have you ² s _ _ _ n to a careers advisor?
B: I have, but that just left me even more confused.
A: Don't ³ p _ _ _ c. It's OK to not know what to do.
B: What ⁴ w _ _ _ d you do if you were me?
A: My ⁵ a _ _ _ _ e is to research different jobs online.
B: That's a good idea. Thanks for your help.

Writing

9 Complete the paragraph using words and phrases from the box. (5 marks)

as a result finally firstly in my opinion secondly

¹ _____, doing homework is a good thing for many reasons. ² _____, I believe that it helps your memory.
³ _____, it helps you develop your study skills. ⁴ _____, you can do better in your exams. ⁵ _____, you improve your ability to work independently, which is an important skill.

10 Write sentences about taking part in team sports at school. Use the questions below to help you. (5 marks)

1. Do you think team sports are important? Why? / Why not?
2. Do you like taking part in team sports?
3. What is your favourite sport?
4. What sports are available at your school?

Total marks: Listening ____ / 10 Vocabulary ____ / 15
Language focus ____ / 25 Reading ____ / 10
Communication ____ / 5 Writing ____ / 10
TOTAL ____ / 80