

# 1 New year, new challenge

## VOCABULARY Education: phrasal verbs

### 1 Match the beginnings and endings of the sentences.

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|---|-------|--|
| 1 I enjoy trying out                    | ..... | a school and do some extra work.             |
| 2 I think we break up for the summer    | ..... | b all the details in your book.              |
| 3 Daniel hasn't given in                | ..... | c new things.                                |
| 4 I'm going to go for the position      | ..... | d on 6 June.                                 |
| 5 Don't put things off for too long     | ..... | e the new assignments to everyone yesterday. |
| 6 I feel that I'm going to get on well  | ..... | f his homework yet.                          |
| 7 The football coach read out the names | ..... | g the school football team this term.        |
| 8 I'm going to stay behind after        | ..... | h the answer to this maths problem.          |
| 9 Our teacher gave out all              | ..... | i of everyone in the team.                   |
| 10 I love joining in                    | ..... | j or you might never do them.                |
| 11 Don't forget to note down            | ..... | k at school this year.                       |
| 12 I'm going to try to get in           | ..... | l when someone starts singing.               |
| 13 I can't figure out                   | ..... | m of team captain.                           |

### 2 Complete the email with the verbs in the box.

break up   figure out   get in   get on   give out   go for   hand in  
join in   note down   put off   stay behind   try out

Hi Jane

I've just started at my new school and it's great. I think I'm going to <sup>1</sup> ..... really well here. There are lots of interesting clubs – I'm going to <sup>2</sup> ..... rock climbing this year! I've never done it before, but it sounds fun so I decided to <sup>3</sup> ..... it.

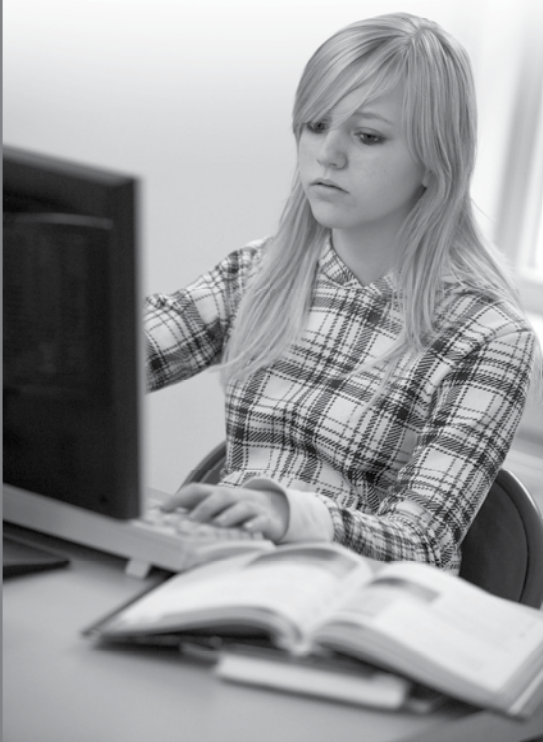
The students in my class are really friendly. A few <sup>4</sup> ..... after school to play basketball and they asked me to <sup>5</sup> ..... with them. As you know, I'm pretty good at basketball and my new friends think I will <sup>6</sup> ..... the school team if I try!

There's a lot more work to do, though. The teachers <sup>7</sup> ..... homework every day and we have to <sup>8</sup> ..... most of it the next morning. There's always one piece that we can do over the week, but I try not to <sup>9</sup> ..... doing it for too long. I have to remember to <sup>10</sup> ..... everything the teachers say about the homework, or I forget it. The timetable is quite complicated too, but I'll <sup>11</sup> ..... where to go at what time soon, I'm sure!

We <sup>12</sup> ..... on 15 December, so I'll come and visit you then.

Write soon!

Debbie



## READING

### 1 What advice would you give to someone starting at a new school? Write three ideas.

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### 2 Read the article. Does the author give the same advice as you?

### 3 Match these headings to the paragraphs.

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|--------------------------------|-------|
| 1 Get involved!                | ..... |
| 2 Find out about the school    | ..... |
| 3 Be a conversation starter    | ..... |
| 4 Don't be afraid to stand out | ..... |
| 5 Pay attention to others      | ..... |
| 6 Be brave                     | ..... |
| 7 Put on your friendly face    | ..... |

# New kid at school?

Going to school in a new town can be pretty stressful. Believe me, I know from experience. Not to worry though, there are ways to get through it! Here are a few tips I've come up with. I hope they help!

- A

When you go in on your first day at your new school, remember that not everyone is as scary as they seem. Those first few hours are always a bit rough, but don't be afraid or shy. Just go for it! It's nearly always true that most people are nice once you have a chance to talk to them.
- B

It's likely that your teachers will introduce you to your new classmates, but make sure you personally introduce yourself to the student sitting next to you. Looking for something to talk about? Don't worry! Being new is a great topic. People seem to love talking about where you're from and the school you used to go to.
- C

Take time to learn the names of other people, and don't forget to take an interest in the person you're talking to. It shows that you're not just concerned about yourself, but also learning about the other person.
- D

It sounds obvious but it really works: make eye contact with others, smile at them when they look at you and laugh when they say something that's funny or amusing to you. It makes you seem open and easygoing.
- E

Nobody expects you to know everything about your new school the first day you walk in. There's a huge possibility that your new school will be totally different from the one you just came from. If you have a question, ask it! Don't forget that everyone is new at some point.
- F

Whether you're entering a new school in the beginning of the year or the middle, the best way to meet new people is by joining in activities like clubs and sports. After school is a time when students with similar interests get together and it's a perfect way to introduce yourself.
- G

If you are good at a certain sport or do well in a certain subject don't be shy – show it! People are attracted to others with talent, and hiding yours to avoid showing off will only end up hurting you. So if you have a special talent or skill, let people know about it!

## 4 Complete the summary sentences.

- 1 People might seem scary at first, but .....
- 2 The fact that you are new can help you .....
- 3 It's a good idea to try to remember .....
- 4 You can let people know you are friendly by .....
- 5 You should ask questions about your new school because .....
- 6 The best way to meet new friends is .....
- 7 Don't be afraid to let others know if .....

## EP Word profile use

Complete the sentences with the phrases in the box.

any use      made too much use  
no use      no use      some use

- 1 I'm sorry, but this information is of ..... to me.
- 2 You ..... of Wikipedia to write your essay!
- 3 Is this book of ..... to you?
- 4 It's ..... worrying about the project – just start it!
- 5 I think this box could be of ..... , maybe as a pencil case.

GRAMMAR Question forms; subject and object questions

1 Match the questions to the answers.

- 1

What clubs have you joined this term?

.....
- 2

Were you getting ready to go out at 8.00 am this morning?

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- 3

What teams did you manage to get in last year?

.....
- 4

Where do you usually go after school?

.....
- 5

How have you changed since you were ten years old?

.....
- 6

Can you swim 100 metres in less than two minutes?

.....
- 7

Do you drink coffee at breakfast?

.....
- 8

Should you spend longer on your homework in the evenings?

.....
- a

The swimming team.
- b

Only the basketball and photography ones.
- c

No, I can't.
- d

I nearly always go straight home.
- e

Yes, I was.
- f

Yes, I probably should.
- g

No, never.
- h

I've grown much taller!

2 Write the words in the correct order to make questions.

- 1

you / lived / how long / in your house / have / ?

.....

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- 2

go / you / did / on holiday / last year / ?

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- 3

doing / at 8.00 pm last night / you / were / what / ?

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- 4

both / can / drive / your parents / ?

.....

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- 5

there / good cafés / are / near your school / any / ?

.....

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- 6

to do / going / you / are / tomorrow / what / ?

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3 Choose the correct answer to make subject or object questions.

- 1

Who *sits* / *does sit* next to you in class?
- 2

What *watched you* / *did you watch* on TV last night?
- 3

What *means 'enrichment'* / *does 'enrichment' mean*?
- 4

How *happened* / *did that happen* to your bike?
- 5

Who *called you* / *did call you* during the science class?
- 6

What *said you* / *did you say* to the teacher?
- 7

Where *like you* / *do you like* to go in the evenings?
- 8

Who *ate* / *did eat* all the chocolates?

4 Complete the questions.

- 0

How many *cakes did you make*..... ?

I made three cakes.
- 1

What sort of concerts..... ?

Dan loves going to jazz concerts in particular.
- 2

How many students..... ?

I'm not sure, but at least 30 joined the music club.
- 3

Who..... ?

I phoned Jenny early this morning.
- 4

Who..... ?

Martin phoned me early this morning.
- 5

What..... ?

I think this word means *difficult*.

5 Write questions for the answers.

- 1

Simon got in the swimming team.

..... ?

Simon.

..... ?

The swimming team.
- 2

Steph does her homework before breakfast.

..... ?

Steph.

..... ?

Before breakfast.
- 3

My new bike cost €450.

..... ?

€450.

..... ?

My new bike.
- 4

My sister gave me a bracelet for my birthday.

..... ?

My sister.

..... ?

A bracelet.

6 Choose the correct sentence in each pair.

- 1

a Why they are not here?

b Why aren't they here?
- 2

a Is it still available in September?

b Does it still available in September?
- 3

a Why it says this?

b Why does it say this?
- 4

a Did you had a nice day?

b Did you have a nice day?
- 5

a Why did she have to move?

b Why she had to move?
- 6

a What language facilities you provide?

b What language facilities do you provide?

VOCABULARY Education: -ion nouns

1 Complete the table with the verb or the noun form of the word.

	Verb	Noun
1	.....	action
2	apply	.....
3	collect	.....
4	communicate	.....
5	contribute	.....
6	.....	decision
7	.....	description
8	.....	education
9	introduce	.....
10	.....	invention
11	.....	organisation
12	permit	.....
13	.....	preparation
14	register	.....
15	satisfy	.....
16	.....	suggestion

2 Complete the sentences with a noun from exercise 1.

- 1 Some say the television was the most important ..... of the 20th century.
- 2 Greg has a large ..... of old CDs in his house.
- 3 You must try harder at school because ..... is very important.
- 4 Have you asked for ..... to take the day off school tomorrow?
- 5 My ..... to my first choice of university was accepted.
- 6 Thank you for your ..... to this afternoon's discussion.
- 7 When does ..... for the new English course open?
- 8 I have a ..... – let's join the rock-climbing club.
- 9 We've made our ..... – we're not going on holiday this year.
- 10 For your homework, write a ..... of your favourite building.

WRITING An email (1)

See Prepare to write box, Student's Book page 13.

1 Read the email about Dan's first day at a new school. Tick (✓) the topics he mentions. (Ignore the punctuation.)

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|------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 other students | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 the food          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 the curriculum | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6 sports facilities | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 the teachers   | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7 the building      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 the food       | <input type="checkbox"/> | 8 the classrooms    | <input type="checkbox"/> |

2 Read the email again. Some punctuation is incorrect. Find and correct the following.

9 capital letters    5 full stops    7 apostrophes

Hi Jan

how are you? My first day at the new school wasnt as bad as I thought it would be. I was really nervous when I arrived in the morning Its a huge grey building that looks like a prison. It's much bigger than our old school, with two big concrete playgrounds. Believe me, it doesnt look very welcoming.

everyone was really friendly, though they seemed genuinely interested in me and wanted to know all about where i came from. So although I was nervous at first, I felt very happy and relaxed by the end of the day. Ive already made new friends

The teachers are OK too, well, most of them are. Our maths teacher seems really strict, but everyone says hes friendly when you get to know him the french teachers name is mr bird. He's the funniest teacher I've ever had. He makes us laugh.

The only thing I didn't like was lunch as the café isn't as good as our old one. Im going to ask Mum to make me a packed lunch to take in that will be much better!

Write soon,

Dan



3 Imagine you have just had your first day at a new school. Choose four topics from exercise 1 and write an email to your friend.