

Vocabulary Training: Unit 3 - After School, What Next?

Part 1: Collocations with "Career & Education"

Complete the phrases with the correct verbs: *complete, acquire, make, pursue, enter, take, graduate, broaden*.

1. to **complete** a degree
2. to **acquire** new skills
3. to **make** a decision
4. to **pursue** a career
5. to **enter** the job market
6. to **take** a gap year
7. to **graduate** from university
8. to **broaden** one's horizons

Part 2: University Life & Challenges

Match the idioms to their meanings:

1. Take the leap -> **(e) dare to do something new/difficult**
2. Hustle and bustle -> **(f) busy and noisy activity**
3. Pace yourself -> **(a) do something at a steady rate**
4. Keep a level head -> **(c) stay calm in difficult situations**
5. Throw someone into the deep end -> **(d) make someone deal with a difficult situation without preparation**
6. Down to earth -> **(b) practical and sensible**

Part 3: Reading Analysis - "Becoming" by Michelle Obama

* **Settling in:** The summer programme at Princeton helped her feel at ease before the regular term started.

* **Standing out:** She realized she was part of a minority (female and a person of colour) in a predominantly white, male environment.

* **Security:** She enjoyed the crime-free environment but noted the extra effort needed for less privileged students to adjust.

Answer Key

- * **Part 1:** 1. complete, 2. acquire, 3. make, 4. pursue, 5. enter, 6. take, 7. graduate, 8. broaden.
- * **Part 2:** 1-e, 2-f, 3-a, 4-c, 5-d, 6-b.