

SPEAKING MATERIAL

ENGLISH FILE PRE-INTERMEDIATE- UNIT 11

VOCABULARY

A- Change the verb in brackets into a noun and use it to complete the sentence.

Example: When is the next election? (elect)

- 1 My _____ is getting worse. I need new glasses. (see)
- 2 Have you received an _____ to the party? (invite)
- 3 We'd like some _____ about hotels in Madrid. (inform)
- 4 My son has to make a _____ about his future. (decide)
- 5 Amelia had a very interesting _____. (live)
- 6 The director's last film was a big _____. (succeed)

B- Complete the names of the school subjects.

Example: Francesco wasn't very good at numbers. maths

- 1 Milly enjoyed learning about the past. h_____
- 2 Hiroto was always good at sport. p_____ e_____
- 3 John was the best in the class at computers. i_____ t_____
- 4 I really enjoyed biology and chemistry. s_____
- 5 Caroline loved reading plays and novels. l_____
- 6 We studied Spanish and German at school. f_____ l_____
- 7 Mr Brown taught us about different parts of the world. g_____
- 8 Rufus was really interested in painting and drawing. a_____

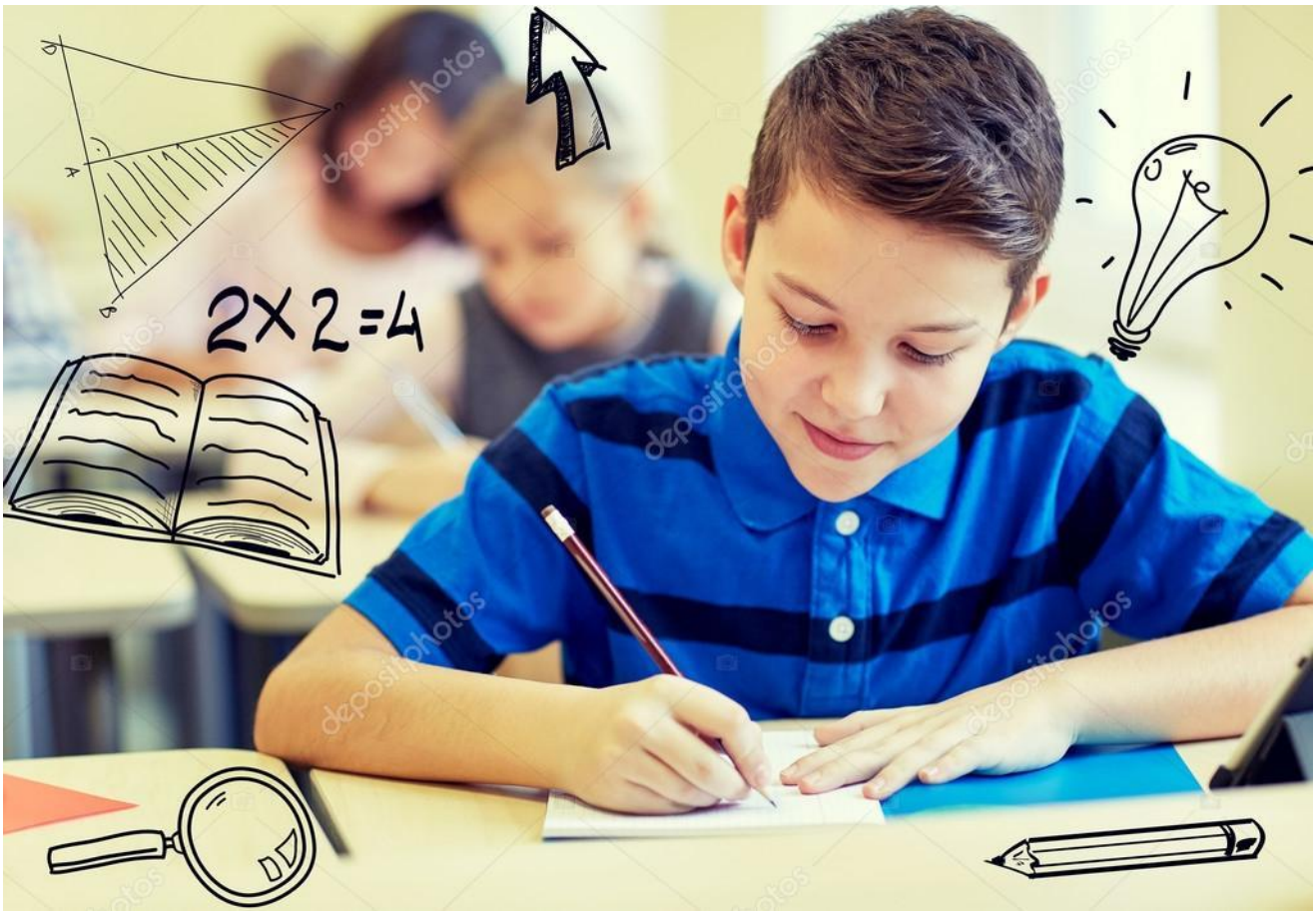
C- Complete the sentences with the correct word.

Example: You've got the same mobile phone as me.
like both as

- 1 Mark and Matthew are _____. They look exactly the same.
identical like similar
- 2 Zane didn't enjoy the meal and _____ did Jen.
neither so both
- 3 Amy looks just _____ her mum.
as like same
- 4 Tilly and Max are _____ good at sport.
neither both same
- 5 Guy hates swimming and _____ does his sister.
similar so neither
- 6 Their names are very _____. She's called Carla and he's called Carlo.
same like similar

PICTURE DESCRIPTION

Talk about the pictures.



MINI-PRESENTATION

Work in pairs. Choose one of the topics given below. Then prepare a mini presentation by answering the questions given. You can take notes as you prepare your answer. The preparation is supposed to take one minute. Finally, talk for maximum 2 minutes about the given subject.

TOPIC 1

Talk about a school subject you did badly in high school. You should say:

- *What the subject was*
- *When you started to study it*
- *What your exam results were like in this subject and what you did to improve your marks*
- *And explain why you did badly in this subject.*

TOPIC 2

Talk about a habit that your teachers used to have in school. You should say:

- *What this habit was*
- *Why teachers used to have this habit*
- *What students thought about it*
- *And explain why teachers today do not have this habit.*

GROUP DISCUSSION

Work in groups of three or four students. Answer the questions given by taking turns.

- 1- Is it difficult for people without a college education to get good jobs in your country?
Why / Why not?
- 2- What do you think the advantages and disadvantages of state and private schools are?
- 3- Compare and contrast traditional education and online education. What are the similarities and differences between them?
- 4- What are some possible problems that students might come across when they first start university?