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## Welcome Back!

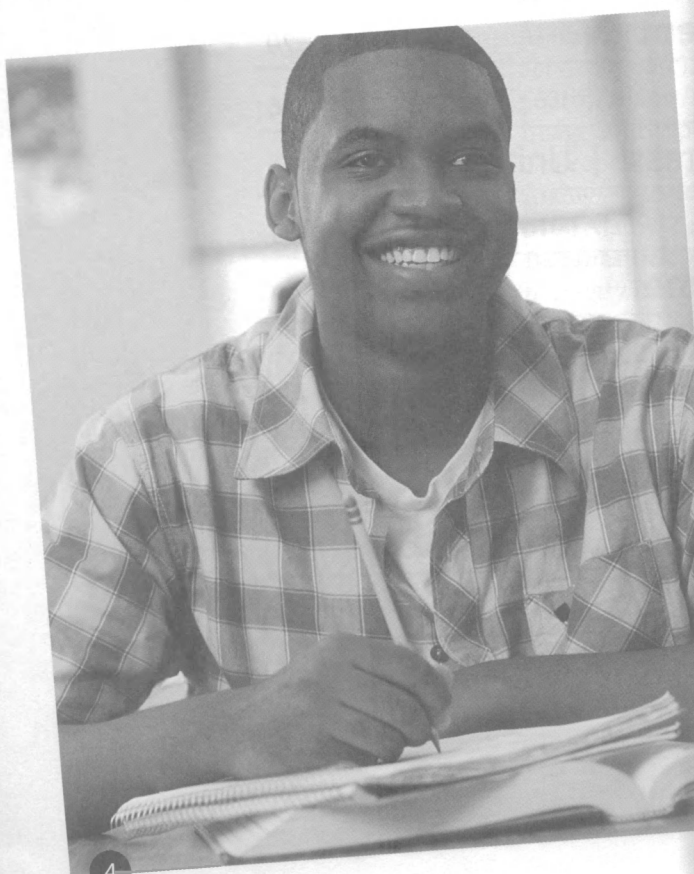


### Reading

You are going to read an article about study tips. For questions 1–8, choose from the paragraphs (A–E). The paragraphs may be chosen more than once.

Which paragraph talks about

- 1 learning while relaxing? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 getting together with others to study? \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 not disturbing other people? \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 how important it is to be organised? \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 not leaving things until it's too late? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 finding it hard to be interested sometimes? \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 keeping the music switched off? \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 making sure no-one bothers you? \_\_\_\_\_



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## It's a Bright New Term

Many of you are starting English lessons again and we would like to give you some hot tips on how to get the most out of your course.

### A Start As You Mean To Go On!

The long summer holidays are finally over. Now it's the start of the new school year and time to get back to work. We're firm believers that having a plan for the year and getting off to a good start can make all the difference to your results. So we'd like to help you with organising a really good plan to make this your most successful year of learning English.

### B Make Learning Faster

Learning English isn't just about paying attention in class and handing your homework in on time. When you are beginning to learn English you want to make it both more fun and easier. Why not try reading a book in English? Or you could look up articles on the internet on your hobby, your favourite star or band or other subjects you are fond of reading about. Music is a great way to learn more English too. You can learn the words to your favourite songs and sing along. And when it's time to take a break, how about watching a film in English? Try out some of these ways of learning vocabulary and you'll be amazed how much better your English gets.

### C Get The Most Out Of Your Lesson

There are sometimes days when you don't feel like studying and English seems boring. Just remember that paying attention in class makes the lesson go faster. But chatting to other students for the whole lesson spoils it for everyone else in the class. How you behave is important if you want to be able to make a good impression on your teacher and get a good report at the end of term!

### D All Fixed Up At Home

Self-study and homework are an important part of doing an English course. To be good at studying at home you need to have a quiet room to work in. Tell your family to leave you alone while you're working. Don't let anyone disturb you. So don't have your radio or MP3 player on. You can listen to your favourite songs later, when you've finished what you're doing.

### E Exam Time!

You may not look forward to the exam, but if you prepare well, it'll be less stressful. Give yourself plenty of time to do revision – don't leave it until the last minute! Another idea is to form a study group with friends. You can practise your speaking and help each other with different tasks. And, last but not least, don't study too much. Remember to get lots of rest before an exam. You won't get a good mark if you're too tired to think on the day of the exam.

**Good luck with the school year!**