

W O R D B A N K

TYPES OF SCHOOL

academy /ə'kædəmi/
 elementary school (AmE) /elə'mentəri sku:l/
 high school (AmE) /haɪ sku:l/
 independent school /ɪndə'pendənt sku:l/
 junior high school /dʒuːniə haɪ sku:l/
 kindergarten /'kɪndəgɑːtn/
 middle school /'mɪdl sku:l/
 nursery school /'nɜːsəri sku:l/
 primary school /'praɪməri sku:l/
 private school /'praɪvət sku:l/
 public school /'pʌblɪk sku:l/
 secondary school /'sekəndəri sku:l/
 single-sex school /sɪŋɡəl 'seks sku:l/
 state school /steɪt sku:l/
 university /juːnə'vɜːsəti/

PLACES IN A SCHOOL

canteen /kæn'tiːn/
 classroom /'klɑːsrʊm/
 common room /'kɒmən ru:m/
 computer room /kəm'pjʊtə ru:m/
 corridor /'kɒrɪdɔː/
 dining room /'daɪnɪŋ ru:m/
 gym /dʒɪm/
 gymnasium /dʒɪm'neɪziəm/
 headmaster's office /hed'mɑːstəs 'ɒfɪs/
 lab /læb/
 laboratory /lə'bɒrətəri/
 library /'laɪbrəri/
 office /'ɒfɪs/
 playground /'pleɪgraʊnd/
 science lab /saɪəns læb/
 sports field /spɔːtsfi:ld/
 staffroom /stɑːfru:m/

PEOPLE IN A SCHOOL

assistant principal (AmE) /ə'sɪstənt 'prɪnsəpəl/
 classmate /'klaːsmeɪt/
 college student /'kɒlɪdʒ 'stjuːdənt/
 deputy head (BrE) /'depjəti hed/
 examiner /ɪg'zæmɪnə/
 form teacher /fɔːm 'tiːtʃə/
 head teacher /hed 'tiːtʃə/
 headmaster /hed'mɑːstə/
 headmistress /hed'mɪstrɪs/
 lecturer /'lektʃərə/
 principal (AmE) /'prɪnsəpəl/
 professor /prə'fesə/
 pupil /'pjʊ:pəl/
 schoolboy /'sku:lboɪ/
 schoolgirl /'sku:lɡɜːl/
 schoolmate /'sku:lmeɪt/
 teacher /'tiːtʃə/
 teaching staff /'tiːtʃɪŋ stɑːf/
 university student /juːnə'vɜːsəti 'stjuːdənt/

SUBJECTS

Art (and Design) /ɑːt ən dɪ'zain/
 Biology /baɪ'ɒlədʒi/
 Chemistry /'keməstri/
 club /klʌb/
 English language and literature /'ɪŋɡlɪʃ 'læŋɡwɪdʒ ən 'lɪtərəʃə/
 foreign language /'fɔːrɪn 'læŋɡwɪdʒ/
 Geography /dʒɪ'ɒɡrəfi/
 History /'hɪstəri/
 ICT /aɪ siː tiː/
 Information and Communication Technology /ɪnfə'meɪʃən ən kə'mjuːnɪ'keɪʃən tek'nɒlədʒi/
 Information Technology /ɪnfə'meɪʃən tek'nɒlədʒi/
 IT /aɪ tiː/
 Mathematics /mæθə'mætiks/
 Maths /mæθs/
 Music /'mjuːzɪk/
 PE /piː iː/
 Physical Education /'fɪzɪkəl 'edʒu'keɪʃən/
 Physics /'fɪzɪks/
 Religious Education /rɪ'lɪdʒəs 'edʒu'keɪʃən/
 Science /saɪəns/

SCHOOL OBJECTS

blackboard /'blækbɔːd/
 board /bɔːd/
 chalk /tʃɔːk/
 copybook /'kɒpɪbʊk/
 coursebook /'kɔːsbʊk/
 exercise book /'eksəsaɪz bʊk/
 file /faɪl/
 folder /'fəʊldə/
 interactive whiteboard /ɪntər'æktɪv 'waɪtbɔːd/
 locker /'lɒkə/
 notebook /'nəʊtbʊk/
 PE kit /piː iː kɪt/
 pencil case /'pensəlkeɪs/
 rubber /'rʌbə/
 ruler /'ruːlə/
 textbook /'tekstbʊk/
 whiteboard /'waɪtbɔːd/
 workbook /'wɜːkbʊk/

GOING TO/LEAVING SCHOOL

absence /'æbsəns/
 attend a course /ə'tend ə kɔːs/
 attend classes /ə'tend 'klaːsɪs/
 attend school /ə'tend sku:l/
 attendance /ə'tendəns/
 be absent /bi 'æbsənt/
 be present /bi 'prezənt/
 get a degree /get ə dɪ'ɡriː/
 get a diploma /get ə dɪ'plɒmə/
 get into university /get 'ɪntə juːnə'vɜːsəti/
 graduate (noun) /grædʒuət/

graduate from a university /grædʒuət frəm ə juːnə'vɜːsəti/
 leave school /liːv sku:l/
 MA /em ei/
 obtain a certificate /əb'teɪn ə sə'tɪfɪkət/

BEING AT SCHOOL/STUDYING

class /klɑːs/
 deadline /'dedlaɪn/
 do a course /duː ə kɔːs/
 grade /ɡreɪd/
 holidays /'hɒlədeɪz/
 learn (about) sth /lɜːn ə'baʊt 'sʌmθɪŋ/
 lesson /'lesən/
 lunch break /lʌntʃbreɪk/
 mark /mɑːk/
 memorise /'meməraɪz/
 miss lessons /mɪs 'lesəns/
 scholarship /'skɒləʃɪp/
 school trip /sku:l trɪp/
 set books /set bʊks/
 term /tɜːm/
 timetable /'taɪm'teɪbəl/
 write an essay /raɪt ən 'eseɪ/
 written work /'rɪtɪn wɜːk/

EXAMS

academic results /ækə'demɪk rɪ'zʌltɪs/
 academic standards /ækə'demɪk stændəds/
 cheat in an exam /tʃiːt ɪn ən ɪg'zæm/
 correct exam papers /kə'rekt ɪg'zæm peɪpəz/
 do an exam /duː ən ɪg'zæm/
 do badly in an exam /duː 'bædli ɪn ən ɪg'zæm/
 do well in an exam /duː wel ɪn ən ɪg'zæm/
 exam /ɪg'zæm/
 exam paper /ɪg'zæm peɪpə/
 examination /ɪg'zæmə'neɪʃən/
 fail a test /feɪl ə test/
 fail an exam /feɪl ən ɪg'zæm/
 get 100 marks in an exam /get wʌn 'hʌndrɪd mɑːks ɪn ən ɪg'zæm/
 get the results (of an exam) /get ðə rɪ'zʌltɪs əv ən ɪg'zæm/
 grade exam papers (AmE) /ɡreɪd ɪg'zæm peɪpəz/
 mark exam papers /mɑːk ɪg'zæm peɪpəz/
 pass an exam /pɑːs ən ɪg'zæm/
 prepare for exams /prɪ'peə fə ɪg'zæmz/
 retake an exam /rɪ'teɪk ən ɪg'zæm/
 revise for exams /rɪ'vaɪz fə ɪg'zæmz/
 school-leaving exam /sku:l 'liːvɪŋ ɪg'zæm/
 score 100 marks in a test /skɔː wʌn 'hʌndrɪd mɑːks ɪn ə test/

sit an exam /sɪt ən ɪg'zæm/
 study for an exam /'stʌdi fə ən ɪg'zæm/
 take an exam /teɪk ən ɪg'zæm/
 university entrance exam /juːnə'vɜːsəti 'entrəns ɪg'zæm/

TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

active /'æktɪv/
 ambitious /æm'bɪʃəs/
 cooperative /kəʊ'ɒperətɪv/
 demanding /dɪ'mɑːndɪŋ/
 fair /feə/
 gifted /'ɡɪftɪd/
 hard-working /hɑːd 'wɜːkɪŋ/
 imaginative /ɪ'mædʒənətɪv/
 lazy /'leɪzi/
 motivated /'məʊtɪveɪtəd/
 motivating /'məʊtɪveɪtɪŋ/
 passive /'pæsv/
 professional /prə'feʃənəl/
 punctual /pʌŋktʃuəl/
 strict /strɪkt/
 systematic /sɪstə'mætɪk/
 talented /'tæləntɪd/
 uncooperative /ʌnkəʊ'ɒperətɪv/
 unfair /ʌn'feə/

USEFUL PHRASES

discuss set books /dɪ'skʌs set bʊks/
 do a project /duː ə 'prɒdʒekt/
 do a task /duː ə tɑːsk/
 do an exercise /duː ən 'eksəsaɪz/
 do an experiment /duː ən ɪk'sperɪmənt/
 do homework /duː 'həʊmwɜːk/
 do your best /duː jə best/
 hand in homework /hænd ɪn 'həʊmwɜːk/
 have a break /hæv ə breɪk/
 learn by heart /lɜːn baɪ hɑːt/
 make a presentation /meɪk ə 'prezən'teɪʃən/
 make mistakes /meɪk 'mɪsteɪks/
 make progress /meɪk 'prɒɡres/
 mark homework /mɑːk 'həʊmwɜːk/
 participate in a lesson /pɑː'tɪsɪpeɪt ɪn ə 'lesən/
 read maps /rɪd mæps/
 set an essay /set ən 'eseɪ/
 set homework /set 'həʊmwɜːk/
 solve a problem /sɒlv ə 'prɒbləm/
 staff meeting /stɑːf 'miːtɪŋ/
 study hard /'stʌdi hɑːd/
 study sources /'stʌdi sɔːsɪs/
 take notes /teɪk 'nəʊts/
 take part in a lesson /teɪk pɑːt ɪn ə 'lesən/