

# Studying abroad

## Discussion

I was very busy. I worked today.

How was the weather today?

Today was sunny.

What was the temperature?

The temperature was about 25 degrees Celsius.

That is actually quite nice for summer.

Besides working have you done anything else?

I didn't do anything else.

Why?

Workouts were too long.

For how many hours have you worked today?

I have worked for about 8 hours.

That's normal working time.

You went home in the middle of working hours? How can you do that?

Do you plan to study abroad?

No, I don't.

Why is it not a plan?

It's impossible to save money for it?

Yes, it is.

Japan, Korea, Australia...

Why did you choose this topic?

Because when I was young I admired my classmates who studied abroad.

Why did you admire them?

I think they had less pressure.

If they studied less, it means that they didn't get enough knowledge.

Why do you admire someone who is less knowledgeable?

There is too much competition in China.

How do Chinese employers evaluate applicants who graduated from foreign universities?

It seems that it's easier to study in a foreign country, so do they get the same treatment as people who studied in China?

They get better treatment.

Some Chinese companies prefer to give offers to people who study abroad.

What do you think about France?

France is a romantic place.

Why do you think so?

I would like to study economics and psychology.

Why?

What was this conversation about?

One person will go to France to study, while the other person asked some questions about the girl's plan.

**Express yourself in sentences.**

## **Vocabulary**

### **New words**

1. academic(adj.)
2. downtime(noun)
3. essential(adj.)
4. famous(adj.)
5. on your doorstep(phrase)
6. semester(noun)

### **Useful words**

1. situated(adj.):located, positioned. e.g. A library is situated in the city center.

## **Temperature**

Word “degree” is countable, so it has singular and plural form.

1 degree(singular)

2 degrees(plural)

## **Grammar**

### **Verbs**

Verbs are just word that do two things:

- tell us about an action
- tell us about the time(tense)

English language is very precise with time. e.g. If something happened already you have to use past tense.

## Pronunciation

### Words

1. relax /ri-leks/
2. Korea /ko-ria/
3. pleasure /ple-zr/
4. pressure /pre-shr/
5. semester /se-mes-tr/
6. situated /si-chju-ej-ted/
7. subject
8. wow