

STUDY - Hanging out

TRANSCRIPT

For me, probably the best part of school was hanging out with my friends...breaktimes...lunchtimes...I spent most of it playing football. You spend a lot of time messing about, having a laugh with your friends. There were problems at school as well...things that I didn't like. There was bullying in my school. I wasn't really bullied. There were kids I didn't get on with and I remember when I was at school I used to get into a lot of fights, but me and my friends, we used to stick up for each other, so if someone got into a fight, we used to step in and help them out. What used to happen if there was a fight then everyone used to shout fight and all the kids around the school used to run to the bottom of the school where the fight was happening and make a circle and stand around and watch the fight until the teachers came along to break it up.

In a strange way, I quite liked the fighting. I know that sounds bad but what I mean is most of the kids I got into fights with I became friends with after, so one of my best friends at school...we got into a fight with each other and afterwards we started to talk a lot more and become friends and we're still friends today. Today we just laugh about it.

My friends didn't like school very much and they were always looking forward to the day when they could leave school, so they used to play truant quite a lot. That means they used to leave the school premises when they should've been in class. I remember only one day I played truant. I know that if my parents had found out, I would've got into big trouble. Anyway, one day we bunked off class and we went over to my friend's house just to hang out. We didn't do much really...we played snooker, watched a bit of telly...it just felt quite exciting not being at school when we knew we should've been at school.



VOCABULARY

hang out with someone - spend a long time relaxing and having fun with someone
mess about/around - act in a silly way for fun
have a laugh with someone - have fun with someone
bullying - when someone threatens or intimidates someone else
get on with someone - have a good, friendly relationship with someone
get into a fight - become involved in a fight
step in - try to stop an argument
break something up - end a fight or argument
look forward to something - feel excited about something that will happen in the future
play truant - be absent from school when you should be at school
leave the school premises - go outside the school boundaries
bunk off class - miss class without permission from the teacher
watch telly - television, TV

GRAMMAR

Third conditional

If my parents had found out that I missed class, I would've got into big trouble

I would've got into big trouble if my parents had found out that I missed class

use the **third conditional** to talk about <u>unreal past situations</u>

this situation is in the past so you can't change it

sometimes we use the **third conditional** to express <u>regret or criticism</u> <u>about the past</u>

use <u>if</u> + <u>had</u> + <u>past participle</u>, <u>would/may/might/could</u> (not) + <u>have</u> + <u>past participle</u> to make the **third conditional**