

Lesson 45

I always got good grades.

Target: Having a conversation about school.

Vocabulary

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School



Related vocabulary

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| - to go to school | - a final examination | - to flunk... |
| - a principal | - to do well on a test | - to get detention |
| - a substitute teacher | - to bomb a test | - to home school... |
| - an exchange student | - to cheat off (someone) | - be coeducational |
| - to drop out of school | - to get good grades | - to go on a school trip |
| - to skip class | - to major in... | - to get into (a school) |
| - a clique | - to let class out early | - to graduate from... |

Conversation

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1 Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

Partner #1: Questions

1. What's the point of going to school?
2. Did you ever skip class?
3. Did you belong to any clubs in high school?
4. Where did you go on your school trip?
5. How does the school system vary from country to country?
6. What were your favorite subjects?
7. What were some different events your school held?
8. What are some things you'd find in the classroom? e.g. blackboard
9. What university did you get into?
10. If you went to school again, what would you do differently?

Partner #2: Questions

1. What did you major in?
2. How did you usually go on tests?
3. Did you flunk or fail any classes?
4. Were the kids in your school divided up into cliques?
5. Did you ever get into trouble at school?
6. How much homework did you have to do every day?
7. Did you go to a coed (coeducational) school?
8. Do you believe there is a benefit in home schooling someone?
9. Did any of your teachers let class out early?
10. What are some different parts of a school? e.g. cafeteria, playground

2 Complete one or more of the situations below

1. **Role play:** Partner #1: You are an exchange student. This is your first day of school.
Partner #2: Show the exchange student around the school and give them some information.
2. **Interview:** Interview your partner about what their school life was like.
3. **Speech:** Describe your top three memories about your school life.
4. **Debate:** You think sending your son to an all-boys school is a good idea, but your partner disagrees.