

### 3 New school, new life

#### My first day at a new school

to feel stressed / powerful / relaxed	If you feel stressed / powerful / relaxed, it can significantly change how productive you are.	sich gestresst / kraftvoll / entspannt fühlen
to be glad that the holidays are over	Eva is glad that the holidays are over.	froh sein, dass die Ferien vorüber sind
to be excited about the new school year	It's a good sign if students are excited about the new school year.	sich auf das neue Schuljahr freuen, aufgeregt sein, dass das neue Schuljahr beginnt
to be concerned about the workload	Some students are concerned about the workload and how difficult the year will be.	sich Sorgen über das Arbeitspensum machen
to hope to make new friends quickly	Kaitlin hopes to make new friends quickly, so she can have people to study with.	hoffen, schnell neue Freunde/ Freundinnen zu finden
to be nervous / well prepared	This year, I am nervous / well-prepared for the beginning of classes.	nervös sein / gut vorbereitet sein
to participate in team building activities	At the beginning of the school year, we often participate in team building activities as a class.	an teambildenden Aktivitäten / Teambildungsaktivitäten teilnehmen
to ask more experienced students	Caroline asks more experienced students for help when she doesn't understand a topic in Maths.	erfahrenere Schüler/innen fragen
to take part in a peer-mentoring project	Last year I learned a lot about my classmates when I took part in a peer-mentoring project.	an einem Peer-Mentoring-Projekt teilnehmen
to fill out paperwork and forms	Every job requires one to fill out paperwork and forms.	Unterlagen und Formulare ausfüllen
to play some games	His little brother wants to play some games after school.	einige Spiele spielen
to get to know other members of the class	It's really important that everyone gets to know other members of the class.	die anderen Klassenkameraden/ Klassenkameradinnen kennenlernen
to take a tour of the entire school building	Our teacher had the new students take a tour of the entire school building with her.	einen Rundgang / eine Tour durch das gesamte Schulgebäude machen
the classmates seem to be nice	It makes Jamie feel more comfortable when the classmates seem to be nice.	die Klassenkameraden/Klassenkameradinnen scheinen nett zu sein
the form teacher seems to be strict / organised / passionate about / committed to	This year, our form teacher seems to be very strict / organised during lessons – he is obviously passionate about / committed to helping us learn.	der Klassenlehrer/die Klassenlehrerin scheint streng / organisiert / motiviert / engagiert zu sein
the school building is pretty modern	Because it was built in 2018, the school building is pretty modern.	das Schulgebäude ist ziemlich modern
the tables are scratched	You can tell that the classroom has been used by a lot of students because the tables are scratched.	die Tische sind zerkratzt
the classroom has a nice / positive atmosphere	There is a lot of light and the classroom has a nice / positive atmosphere.	im Klassenzimmer herrscht eine angenehme / positive Atmosphäre

the school building looks rather old / a little shabby	With the peeling paint on the walls, the school building looks rather old / a little shabby.	das Schulgebäude sieht ziemlich alt / ein bisschen schäbig aus
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### My new school

to have a strong interest in the school's field of specialisation	I chose to attend this school because I have a strong interest in the school's field of specialisation.	ein besonderes Interesse für das Fachgebiet der Schule haben
the school delivers a broad curriculum	It's important to my parents that the school delivers a broad curriculum.	die Schule bietet einen umfangreichen Lehrplan / Studienplan
one parent / family member / relative attended the same school	Aunt Barbara attended the same school in the 1970s.	ein Elternteil / Familienmitglied / Verwandter/eine Verwandte besuchte dieselbe Schule
to keep commute time short	We live only two blocks away from school, which keeps commute time short.	die Pendelzeit / Anfahrtszeit kurz halten
to gain theoretical and practical knowledge	To be well-prepared for the job world, it's important that you gain both theoretical and practical knowledge at school.	theoretische und praktische Kenntnisse erwerben
the school has a good reputation	Susanna's school has a very good reputation.	die Schule hat einen guten Ruf
the school days are longer	In Austria the school days are longer than they are in the United States.	die Schultage sind länger
to have more difficult subjects	As we get older, we will have more difficult subjects to study.	schwierigere Fächer haben
to have practical lessons in the lab / in the workshop	Twice a week, our school has practical lessons in the lab / in the workshop.	praktischen Unterricht im Labor / in der Werkstatt/am Bauhof haben
some teachers run their own companies	At our school, some teachers run their own companies, which I think is really impressive.	einige Lehrer/innen leiten / haben ihre eigene Firma
there is hardly any / no private conversation between teachers and students	As a general rule, there is hardly any / no private conversation between teachers and students.	es gibt kaum / keine privaten Gespräche zwischen Lehrern/ Lehrerinnen und Schülern/ Schülerinnen

### What's going on in a lesson

to read an article	Tonight Everett will read an article from the <i>New York Times</i> .	einen Artikel lesen
to interview a classmate	We were told that we had to interview a classmate about his or her food preferences.	einen Mitschüler/eine Mitschülerin interviewen, einen Mitschüler/eine Mitschülerin befragen
to compare the homework	Sometimes after I finish it, I compare the homework with my classmates.	die Hausaufgaben vergleichen
to take some notes	In class, it's always a good idea to take some notes.	Notizen machen
to take a test	At the end of the year, every student takes a final test.	einen Test absolvieren / machen
to write a blog comment	Writing a blog comment is something that I don't do very often in real life.	einen Blog-Kommentar schreiben
to do some research on the Internet	Before giving a presentation I always do some research on the Internet first.	Recherche im Internet durchführen

to prepare a presentation	If you don't prepare a presentation, you could look extremely unprofessional.	eine Präsentation vorbereiten
to do a quiz	Every week we did a brief quiz on the assigned reading.	ein Quiz machen
to listen to a podcast	Doesn't Vicky listen to a podcast about mindfulness?	sich einen Podcast anhören
the head of department comes in	We were just standing there when the head of department came in and shook our hands.	der Abteilungsleiter/die Abteilungsleiterin / der Abteilungsvorstand/ die Abteilungsvorständin kommt herein
the Maths teacher explains a calculation	The Maths teacher explains a calculation very thoroughly so that everyone can understand.	der Mathematiklehrer/die Mathematiklehrerin erklärt eine Rechnung
a smartphone rings	If a smartphone rings in class, you can get in trouble.	ein Smartphone klingelt
to clean the classroom	the school caretaker cleans the classroom every evening.	das Klassenzimmer reinigen, aufräumen
to pass out	Every time my friend Tim sees a needle, he almost passes out.	ohnmächtig werden, das Bewusstsein verlieren
to run around in the classroom	We normally aren't allowed to run around in the classroom.	im Klassenzimmer herumlaufen
to twist one's ankle	Steve twisted his ankle last week when he stepped off the curb.	sich den Knöchel verstauchen
to listen to loud music in the lunch break	I wish we could listen to loud music in the lunch break.	in der Mittagspause laut Musik hören
the school caretaker enters the classroom	We hardly ever see the school caretaker enter the classroom.	der Schularbeiter/die Schularbeiterin betritt das Klassenzimmer
to give a presentation	A journalist gave a presentation at the school last Tuesday.	ein Referat halten, eine Präsentation halten
to start to laugh	Once I start to laugh, I often can't stop.	anfangen zu lachen
to work on an assignment	She will work on an assignment tonight.	an einer Aufgabe arbeiten
the computer breaks down	The computer breaks down at least every week.	der Computer fällt aus
<b>Education all around the world</b>		
to sit on the ground	Some children have to sit on the ground inside the classroom.	auf dem Boden sitzen
classes are taught outside	Biology classes are often taught outside.	der Unterricht findet im Freien statt
to take notes in a notebook	Some students take notes in a notebook, others would prefer to use their laptops.	Notizen in einem Notizbuch machen
to be surrounded by books	I love the feeling when I walk into a library and am suddenly surrounded by books.	von Büchern umgeben sein
classes do not have any supplies (e.g. blackboards, computers, etc.)	Many classes in poor areas of the world do not have any supplies.	die Klassen haben keine Hilfsmittel (z. B. Tafeln, Computer usw.)
to work on computers / in small groups	Students can use class time either to work on computers or in small groups.	an Computern / in kleinen Gruppen arbeiten
to use modern equipment / modern technology	It's helpful that our generation is used to and can use modern equipment / modern technology.	moderne Geräte / moderne Technik benutzen
the classrooms are equipped with ergonomic furniture	Modernised classrooms are equipped with ergonomic furniture.	die Klassenräume sind mit ergonomischen Möbeln ausgestattet

to wear a school uniform	School authorities discuss whether students should wear a school uniform.	eine Schuluniform tragen
to participate actively in the lessons	Maria always actively participates in the lessons.	sich aktiv am Unterricht beteiligen
to get individual feedback	Erin got some individual feedback about his last essay from Ms Smith.	individuelles Feedback erhalten
to have better / poorer chances of being successful in life	Depending where you grow up, you can either have better or poorer chances of being successful in life.	bessere / schlechtere Chancen auf Erfolg im Leben haben
to complete schooling	He is on track to complete his schooling by the end of next year.	die Schule abschließen
to get an education alongside boys	Girls in Austria and most European countries get an education alongside boys.	eine Ausbildung gemeinsam mit Jungen bekommen
to have fewer privileges than men and boys	In some countries, female students often have fewer privileges than men and boys.	weniger Privilegien haben als Männer und Jungen
to be denied the basic rights	It frustrates social workers when many of the people they see every day are still denied the basic rights.	grundlegende Rechte vorenthalten bekommen
to observe everyday injustices	At every subway stop, it's very easy to observe everyday injustices.	alltägliche Ungerechtigkeiten beobachten
to be / get well prepared for the future	A good education allows one to be well prepared for the future.	gut auf die Zukunft vorbereitet sein / werden
to be put at a disadvantage	Not having access to higher education can put students at a disadvantage.	benachteiligt werden
to give someone an opportunity to see the world	Studying abroad gives many students an opportunity to see the world.	jemandem die Möglichkeit geben, die Welt zu sehen
to change the course of life	Even one conversation can change the course of life in a better direction.	den Verlauf des Lebens verändern
to develop core competencies (e.g. critical thinking, problem solving, digital literacy, etc.)	Before entering the workforce, it's helpful if you've already developed core competencies.	Kernkompetenzen entwickeln (z. B. kritisches Denken, Problemlösung, digitale Kompetenz usw.)
to be taught by highly qualified teachers	It's a privilege to be taught by highly qualified teachers.	von hochqualifizierten Lehrern/ Lehrerinnen unterrichtet werden
to only learn the basic skills	In elementary school, students only learn the basic skills like writing and reading.	nur die Grundfertigkeiten / Grundkenntnisse erlernen
to lack reading skills	Students who don't grow up with access to books can often lack reading skills.	keine Lesekompetenz haben
to be taught IT skills	I wish I had been taught IT skills earlier in my studies.	in Computer-Kenntnissen unterrichtet werden
to be surrounded by books	Tina grew up surrounded by books; I think that's why she writes well.	von Büchern umgeben sein
to be determined to continue one's studies	Despite all obstacles, most serious students are determined to continue their studies even when it is difficult.	entschlossen sein, das Studium / die Studien fortzusetzen

## Study habits

to do exceptionally well	Henry is doing exceptionally well in Maths this semester.	außergewöhnlich gute Leistungen erbringen
to pay attention in class	When the weather is nice, it's more difficult to pay attention in class.	im Unterricht aufmerksam sein
to implement effective study habits	Starting last year, Susan finally implemented effective study habits and got excellent marks.	effektive Lerngewohnheiten einführen
to tutor high school students	I tutor high school students in Spanish at the local high school.	Schülern/innen Nachhilfe geben
to miss a deadline	She completely lost track of time and missed the submission deadline for our project.	eine Abgabefrist / Deadline versäumen
to review the topic / topics	Before exams, it's essential to review the topic / topics so students know what questions they might be asked.	das Thema / die Themen wiederholen
to complete assignments on time	Points are taken off our final grades if we don't complete assignments on time.	Aufgaben pünktlich erledigen
to rush through one's homework	I don't rush through my homework unless I have something planned with friends that evening.	die Hausaufgaben im Eiltempo erledigen
to eliminate distraction	Juan used to listen to music while studying, but more recently he chose to eliminate distraction and concentrate better.	Ablenkung(en) beseitigen / eliminieren
to (not) learn the material for the long term	If you cram for test the night before, you don't learn the material for the long term.	den Stoff (nicht) langfristig / nachhaltig lernen
to struggle from time to time	Even the best students struggle from time to time.	sich ab und zu abmühen
to reach out for help from a tutor	It's important to know when you should reach out for help from a tutor.	die Hilfe eines Nachhilfelehrers/ einer Nachhilfelehrerin in Anspruch nehmen