

**Education and study**

1

Complete the text below with the school subjects. Use the letters in brackets to help you.

There are lots of different subjects you can study at university. If you are good at **(1)** (gauselnag), you may decide to study French, Arabic or Chinese. If you like learning about how things work, then you probably find science subjects such as **(2)** (gibyolo), **(3)** (myshecrit) or **(4)** (shycips) interesting. People who are interested in things which happened a long time ago should study **(5)** (osriyth), but if you prefer learning about rivers, mountains and the different countries of the world, then you should choose **(6)** (regopaygh). People who are good with numbers often decide to study **(7)** (shacamittem), and those who want to become doctors take a course in **(8)** (necmidei).

**Exam task**

2

Read the article about a new type of school desk.

Answer the questions. For questions 1–7, choose A, B or C.

We know that sitting down all the time is bad for us, and for this reason, standing desks have become quite popular in offices. A 'standing desk' is higher than a normal desk, so that people can do their work standing up. Now, schools are starting to use them too. Over the last few years, students in schools all over the world have tried these desks. But students don't have to stand for the whole school day, because standing desks come with stools – high chairs without backs – so they can sit down when they want to.

Teachers at a school in the US which tried the standing desks say that students listened to the teacher more during lessons when they used the desks. The teachers were surprised to see that younger students used the stools less than the older students. They think that this is because older students have already spent years sitting at desks, so it is difficult for them to change what they do.

So will all schools start using standing desks soon? Well, they aren't cheap, so most schools will probably use their old desks for quite a few more years first.

1. Standing desks are taller than normal desks.
A Right **B** Wrong **C** Doesn't say
2. More offices than schools use standing desks.
A Right **B** Wrong **C** Doesn't say
3. Standing desks have been tried in only one country.
A Right **B** Wrong **C** Doesn't say
4. If a class use standing desks, the teacher tells the students when to sit down.
A Right **B** Wrong **C** Doesn't say
5. Students who use standing desks work better in groups.
A Right **B** Wrong **C** Doesn't say
6. Older students like sitting down at desks more than younger students.
A Right **B** Wrong **C** Doesn't say
7. Standing desks are less expensive than normal desks.
A Right **B** Wrong **C** Doesn't say

3

Complete the sentences with the correct alternatives.

1. I *broken / break / broke* my pen yesterday.
2. When I was little I didn't *known / know / knew* how to write.
3. I *ridden / rode / ride* my new bike to college yesterday.
4. I was so tired when I got home from school that I *lain / lie / lay* down and fell asleep.
5. I *took / taken / take* my exams last week.
6. We *given / give / gave* our teacher a present at the end of the year.
7. Did you *saw / see / seen* your friend at college?
8. I didn't *go / went / gone* to school until I was seven years old.

 **Exam tips**

- Quickly read the text before you answer the questions.
- The questions are in the same order as the information in the text.
- Compare the questions and options to the text carefully.
- Don't think an answer is right just because you see the same word in the text and the question.