

Schools Around the World

Part 1

A. Look. Check (🗸) things you see at your school.



books



boat



school lunch



girl





school supplies



school uniform



laptop



teacher



notebook 1 of 4



desk and chair



bed



boy



poster



classroom

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Eric, 12, Australia



Kavi, 11, Bangladesh



Lina, 9, Canada

I go to a boarding school in Australia. We eat at school, sleep at school, and we have all our classes in classrooms here, too, of course! My father and my grandfather were at this school, too. There aren't any girls at this school. We have homework every day and we wear a uniform. It's green and gray. I like it because it's a symbol of our school. I like boarding school because I am with my friends all the time and weekends are fun. I go home to my family during school holidays.

In summer, in Bangladesh, it rains a lot. It's difficult to get to school, so my school is a boat on the river! It's fun! The boat goes up and down the river and the students get on. There is a classroom on the boat, with desks, chairs, and a board. There aren't any walls or posters, but we can see trees and the river. There are 30 boys and girls, and a teacher in my class. We don't wear a uniform. We have homework. After school, the boat takes us back home again.

I live in Canada and I study at home with my mom and dad. It's called homeschooling. Sometimes our kitchen table is my classroom. Other times, I study at the local library or in the community. My parents teach me different school subjects, but I can choose projects and use my laptop to study. I don't have homework and I can wear what I want. I love learning at home-and I love my teachers!



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Primary

B. Read again. Write A (Australia), B (Bangladesh), or C (Canada).

1. The school is not in a building.	
2. There are only boys at the school.	
3. There are no classrooms.	
4. Students don't sleep at the school.	
5. There is no homework.	

6. Students must wear the same clothes.

Part 3

A. Work in pairs. Think and respond.

- 1. Do you think the students are happy at the three schools? Why or why not?
- 2. How are the schools similar to your school?
- 3. How are the schools different from your school?
- 4. What do you think is the best thing about each school?
- **5.** What do you think is the most difficult thing about each school?
- 6. Imagine you can choose one of the schools to go to. Which one is it? Why?

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Extension

A. Draw your school.

B. Write a short description of your school. Use the ideas from the sticky note.

Use these ideas

- How do you go there?
- What school lunches and snacks do you have?
- What's in the classrooms?
- Are there many teachers and students? •
- What do you wear? •
- What activities and classes do you have?
- What is unusual about your school?
- What is fun about your school? •

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