

UNIT 3 PROGRESS TEST

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Reading

Read the text. Then do Exercise 1.

The main purpose of an education is to teach children to socialize and work with other people their age and provide them with the tools necessary to succeed in life. Not all countries have the same culture, which is why schools often work differently in different countries. The way children learn and what they learn also changes as time passes. Students in Greece today, for example, are learning new things in ways their parents didn't when they were in school. In Greece, these changes have been taking place for thousands of years.

Education in ancient Sparta was very different from what made up an education in ancient Athens. Life in Athens, for example, was very different from life in Sparta. This made education in the two city-states different from each other. Spartans strongly believed in following rules, living very simple lives and becoming part of a well-trained army. The main reason for an education was to prepare children to become soldier-citizens.

Spartan boys began their education when they were six or seven years old. However, they didn't go to school in the morning and come back in the afternoon. They would leave home to join groups of other children their age. Older officers would train them until they were 18 years old. Every year of training would become more difficult. The courses they

took were very tough and often very painful. They learned to fight and wrestle. Some Spartans learned to read and write as well, but they didn't learn science or maths because it was not considered as important as becoming good soldiers ready to die for the Spartan state. Music and dancing, however, were a part of their classes. When they turned 20, they finally became soldier-citizens ready to fight for the Spartan state if necessary. Only when a Spartan became 60 could he live at home with his family.

Although other Greek states did not provide an education for the girls, the Spartans did. The girls didn't have to leave home, but they learned many of the same things the boys did. They also learned to run, jump, wrestle and fight with weapons.

The main purpose of education in Athens was different. They prepared themselves for both times of war and times of peace. Boys mostly went to private schools and did not get an education from the state like in Sparta. Education began at home and was given by either a parent or a male slave. At around the age of 6 or 7 boys were sent to elementary school and would follow lessons until they were about 14 years old.

Like the Spartans, Athenians also received a physical education. Some of what they learned included running, jumping, boxing, wrestling, javelin, gymnastics and discus. However, they also learned to play musical instruments, sing, solve maths problems, read and write. Literature was considered the most important lesson. Students who learned to read and write would study Homer's Odyssey and the Iliad. Girls did not go to school, but often learned how to read and write at home. For the Athenians, the education of the mind was just as important as that of the body.

1 Read the statements below and answer either S (for Sparta), A (for Athens), or B (for both). [12 points]

- 1 Children didn't live at home when they were getting an education. ____
- 2 Exercise was an important part of the education. ____
- 3 Boys learned music at school. ____
- 4 All boys learned to read and write. ____
- 5 The state provided an education for all boys and girls. ____
- 6 They believed the arts and sciences were just as important as being a good soldier. ____

Vocabulary

2 Complete the sentences with the correct words. [6 points]

got, get into, work, lose, pay, show

- 1 Students who _____ attention in class usually get better marks.
- 2 Our teacher asks our parents to see her when we _____ trouble.
- 3 Michael _____ sick yesterday, so he isn't at school today.
- 4 I find maths boring and I _____ interest in class easily.
- 5 Although I find maths boring, I try to _____ interest in class.
- 6 Sandra decided to _____ hard this year and her marks are very high!

3 Choose the correct answer. [5 points]

- 1 Violet's parents are rich, so they send her to an expensive ___ school.
a state b private c individual
- 2 My parents are going to meet my favourite teacher this Monday on ___ day.
a open b public c vocational
- 3 The ___ course I am taking has taught me a lot about fixing cars.
a occupational b vocational c seasonal
- 4 The ___ is tomorrow and I haven't even started yet!
a endline b finish line c deadline
- 5 I have to wear a ___ at my school. I'm not happy about that at all!
a suit b costume c uniform

4 Complete the dialogue with a phrasal verb in the correct form.
[6 points]

break up, mark down, give back, hand in, hand out, take up

Last week I was very nervous when our teacher **1)** _____ the tests to everyone in the class. I had studied, but sometimes I forget things when I take a test. I

2) _____ the test when I finished answering all the questions. When I sat down, I realised that I had forgotten to write my name at the top of the test. I have done that before and my teacher **3)** _____ my test! He **4)** _____ the test and I wrote in my name. I am sure that I did well this time. When school **5)** _____ for summer I am going to do something I enjoy and **6)** _____ windsurfing lessons.

5 Complete the sentences with the correct words. [5 points]

peers, assistant, adolescents, siblings, principle

- 1 People in the same age group are _____.
- 2 This is too much work for one person. I really need a/an _____.
- 3 The new _____ has made many good changes to the school.
- 4 _____ often fight with each other when they are younger.
- 5 When children become _____ they become more independent.

Grammar

6 Complete the text with the *present perfect* or *present perfect continuous*. [5 points]

I **1)** _____ (**take**) karate lessons with my friends for a year now and I love it! My friends **2)** _____ (**take**) lessons before and are a bit better than me. We **3)** _____ (**train**) really hard for a competition next week. I don't care if our school wins or loses, as long as we all try our best. My classmates **4)** _____ (**be**) very helpful because they know that I **5)** _____ (**never compete**) before.

7 Choose the correct answer. [5 points]

- 1 They **have never eaten** / **have never eating** a mango before.
- 2 I **have studied** / **have been studying** guitar playing for ten years.
- 3 Michael **has been waiting** / **has waited** for three hours to buy a ticket to the movie.
- 4 Don't worry about that, Erika. Jim and Julia **have brought** / **have been bringing** the wine.
- 5 She **has been** / **has been being** to Thailand before.

8 Choose the correct answer. [5 points]

- 1 Michael can't come to the phone right now. He's **gone** / **been** to the supermarket.
- 2 I'm so excited. I have never **been** / **gone** to Paris before!
- 3 Have you **been** / **gone** to that new restaurant yet?
- 4 Shhh! Be quiet. Your father has **been** / **gone** to bed.
- 5 She has **been** / **gone** to Lefkada and won't be back for a week.

9 Complete with the *present perfect* or *past simple* using the words in brackets. [6 points]

- 1 Last year I _____ (**break**) my leg playing football.
- 2 She doesn't want to go to the movie because she _____ (**see**) it.
- 3 She _____ (**be**) there before, so I don't think she will want to go.
- 4 When was the last time that you _____ (**visit**) your grandmother?
- 5 I am so upset. I _____ (**drop**) my mobile phone and it broke!

10 Writing [20 points]

You have received a letter from an English friend, Mark, who wants to learn to play guitar as well as you do. Write an answer letter of 120–150 words.

Give information about:

Paragraph 1: Thank Mark for writing – briefly give your news.

Paragraph 2: Write about what kind of music you like.

Paragraph 3: Write about finding the right teacher.

Paragraph 4: Write about how much time you spend practising.