

Unit 1 Language for studying

Task 1 Speaking

Discuss these questions.

1. Which of these subjects have you studied? At what age did you study them? Which subjects are/ were you good at? Which of them do you consider relevant to your future career? Which would you like to study further?

mathematics	history	genetics	physics	chemistry	sociology
philosophy	languages	economics	statistics	biology	

2. What is a person called who specialises in the subject? Which is the stressed syllable in the word?

Task 2 Vocabulary

1. Complete the sentences with one of these verbs in the correct form.

skip attend revise re-sit do apply get study fail pass pay

- a) I hated maths at school. I didn't do any of the homework, never attention to the teacher and classes whenever I could. Of course, the first time round I my exams and had to them the following year. The second time round I, which I was really pleased about. It really boosted my confidence and I decided to to one of the better universities. To my amazement, I got in and I'm there now – studying maths!
- b) Marc's a very bright student. He always very well when he was at school. I'm sure he'll a good degree, even though he doesn't hard. Of course, he hardly ever lectures or the things we've done. I sometimes resent the fact he's so clever!

What sort of student are you? What are the good and bad things about your studies?

2. What is the one word all these expressions collocate with?
intensive – introductory – intermediate – advanced – refresher – do – take – enrol on – sign up for – withdraw from – drop out of – complete – pass – fail

Extra task

Do you understand these expressions?

to pass with flying colours – to scrape a pass – to take extra lessons – to learn something by heart

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