

Patstāvīgais darbs 2. kursiem. Independent work. EDUCATION

Patstāvīgo darbu izstrādāja Priekuļu tehnikuma angļu valodas skolotāja Sandra Ganiņa Runāšanas prasmju nostiprināšana par tēmu "Izglītība". Darba mērķis: nostiprināt apgūto vārdu krājumu un iepazīties ar CE runāšanas daļas struktūru. Audzēkņi patstāvīgi, rakstiski sagatavo intervijas jautājumus, lomus spēli un monologu kopsavilkumu. Pēc tam klasē pa pāriem vai grupās izrunā sagatavotos uzdevumus. Darbā apkopoti dažādu mācību gadu CE uzdevumi: <https://visc.gov.lv/vispizglitiba/eksameni/dokumenti/uzdevumi/2018/vidussk/>

Task 1 Interview. Be ready to answer the questions about education in notes. Copy the question and then write an answer. Write full sentences as much as you can, at least 4 sentences.

1. Which subjects are you good at / bad at?
2. Why do students skip classes?
3. Which are the best universities in your country?
4. What are good teachers, students' qualities?
5. What is your attitude to school uniforms?
6. What are the dangers of cheating?
7. What is the role of teachers in the society?
8. How can teaching be improved?
9. What do you think of teaching as a profession?
10. What do you remember about your first teacher?
11. What is your opinion about teaching as a profession? Discuss pros and cons.
12. Why do some teachers lack job satisfaction?
13. Describe an ideal student and a teacher.
14. What are you going to remember about the school, the classmates and the teachers when you leave school?
15. What kind of school would you like for your children?
16. What are pros and cons of your school?

Task 2 Role play. Study course in England. Study the situation (1 min) and then act out your role. You have arrived in England for a two week course in English. You are speaking to the school secretary, played by your teacher. Start when you are ready.

1. Greet the person, say who you are and make the following enquiries:
 - the time - table for the studies,
 - the fellow students,
 - the accommodation
2. Express a wish to meet the other students and ask what countries they come from.
3. Ask what else you will be able to see apart from the study programme
4. Express a wish to study hard and give your reasons for this. Thank the secretary and take a leave.

Task 3 Monologue. Read the extract from an article. In your own words: 1) write what the main idea is; 2) write in 30 words what you think about the issue raised in the text and come to a conclusion. At exam you have 2 minutes to prepare. Speaking time: 5 minutes.

· **Text 1 UNDERSTANDING SCHOOL DRESS CODES.** You may not care why school officials created various dress codes, but understanding why they exist may help you feel a little better about them. One of the biggest reasons for these guidelines on clothing attire is to make sure everyone comes to school dressed appropriately, so as to not offend other students. Keeping students focused on their classes, rather than what the person next to them is wearing, is one the biggest reasons for dress codes.

· **Text 2 BUSY TIMES** Teenagers' days are often filled with classes, extracurricular activities, and studying. They may find it difficult to carve out time to eat and sleep. If you find that your grades are falling behind, you aren't getting enough sleep, and you generally wake up and go to bed each day feeling stressed, then something has to give. Sometimes life is about making choices, and you may find that you are simply over-scheduled.

· **Text 3 CELL PHONES DON'T BELONG IN THE CLASSROOM.** A student with a cell phone is an uninterested student, one with a short attention span who cares more about socializing than education. Parents think of cell phones as a connection to their children in an emergency. But when was the last situation that genuinely called for an immediate phone call to a child? In most cases, contacting the hospital or the police would seem more urgent. And parents can always call the school's main office to reach their children.

· **Text 4 STUDY ABROAD AND SEE THE WORLD.** What will it get you? A new language, exposure to new cultures and a whole new set of friends. As a high school student, there are programmes that will place you with a host family in another country and send you to a new school for one semester or a full year if you choose. Along with the basics like math and English, you can often choose from some great subjects like dance, photography, art, drama, society and culture, design and technology, computer studies or even join the school band!

· **Text 5 TAKING GAP YEAR.** If you're feeling burnt out after high school, want to earn money to pay for college, or are just plain adventurous, consider taking a gap year. A gap year is when you take a year off between high school and college to pursue another interest. In order to get all of the gap year benefits, it is a time you should spend actively, not just sitting around your parents' house. Use your gap year to increase your maturity, independence and self-esteem.
<http://www.nextstepu.com>

· **Text 6 JUNK FOOD IN SCHOOLS.** School is where children spend most of their time, and it is where we lay the foundation for healthy habits. That's why New Jersey is the first state to adopt a school policy that bans candy, soda, and other junk food. Soda and junk food will be replaced with more nutritious alternatives. You will still have choices, but instead of candy or chips, you may have to decide between an apple or carrot. It has always been the role of government to help solve problems, including health crises.

· **Text 7 HOMESCHOOLING.** Despite all of the efforts to improve schools, some parents believe that our schools are not fit for educating their children. Homeschooled families educate their children as they see fit, either basing their education on curriculum available for purchase or developing their own curriculum. With the recent growth of the Internet, even more families have become attracted to homeschooling. And often home schooled students outperform their public school friends.
<http://www.fazeteen.com>

· **Text 8 INVOLVE YOUR PARENTS** Don't exclude your parents from your college search! You will need your parents' advice to help you figure out which colleges will suit your goals, your needs and your budget. Let them help you consider all your college options, as you can't discount the value of their involvement in your education. When the time comes to make a final decision, make sure the college you choose is a place you will love. After all it's you, not your parents, who will be spending years there.
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Task 4 Monologue. My school - Priekuli Technical School.

Audzēkņa monologa runu "My School" vērtē ar atzīmi atbilstoši mutvārdu vērtēšanas kritērijiem.

- 1) Read the text, check the meaning of the underlined words and learn them.
- 2) Insert the missing information in the text.
- 3) What are the pros and cons of the school?
- 4) Present your school to foreign cooperation partners from Keuda Maantsala Vocational School (Finland) - **3 min monologue**

Priekuli Technical School is a vocational secondary school which is situated in the picturesque Vidzeme region, in the countryside, very close to the town Cēsis. The school was founded in 1910. The number of students is about 500 and the staff is about..... teachers. The school offers a four - year – general- secondary and vocational education for elementary school leavers and vocational education for secondary school leavers. The school is situated in 2 main buildings in the old one which is 100 years old and the new one.

The school offers the following programs: auto transport, agricultural machinery, agribusiness, ecotourism, computer technician, rural estate management, catering services and construction.

I am a second- year- student at Priekuļi Technical School where I study...../ name the program /. When I leave school I will be a/ name the qualification /. I study general secondary subjects like foreign languages - English, Russian, PE, Mathematics, Latvian – a native language, Economics etc. The core vocational subjects include electronics, motor vehicles, /name 5 more subjects /

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.....At the end of the studies students have to take a qualification exam in core subjects. There are training periods in school workshops, labs, technical centers, agribusiness companies, car service centers and farms.

The school has modern computer facilities in the school library which is an information center, well- equipped classrooms with video projectors, the Internet access. Students can stay in the hostel, enjoy self-catering or hot, tasty meals in the school canteen or cafes.

Besides studying, students are offered a variety of after school activities or hobby groups in sport, folk dance group Virpulis and choir singing. The school is famous for students' achievements in track- and- field athletics, weight- lifting, sport games tournaments in volleyball, basketball, football, ice- hockey, table tennis, darts and chess. The sport facilities include a gym, a stadium, an ice- rink, football and basketball grounds. Everything is for students. The active ones take part in students' council and organize activities for schoolmates and even teachers.