

ENGLISH PLUS

WITH
ANSWER
KEY

PRACTICE WORKSHEETS



VOCABULARY

EDUCATION DEBATES & ISSUES

Vocabulary Advanced | Education Debates and Issues

1. Rewrite these sentences so they are more formal by using words and phrases from lesson instead of the underlined words. Make any other changes that are necessary.

- Inequality is built into (A) _____ in the education system.
- Giving access only to privileged groups (B) _____ is bad for the country in the long term.
- Education where everyone gets into the same type of school without exams (C) _____ is a basic political ideal in many countries.
- A system where there are two levels (D) _____ of schools reduces (E) _____ the opportunities for children from poorer (F) _____ families and favors those from richer (G) _____ families.
- Some private schools have lots of wealth and receive gifts of money, (H) _____ and this means they can have better resources.
- All parents want their children to achieve the best possible results (I) _____ at school.
- Emphasis on the three Rs is considered (J) _____ by parents to be the key to success.
- The government is increasing its provision for education that young people can enter after finishing secondary school (K) _____.

2. Correct these statements about words or expressions from the lesson. Correct each of them twice - once by changing the definition and once by changing the word being defined.

A. One-to-one education is another way of saying continuing education.

B. Numeracy refers to the ability to read.

C. A student who is doing a doctorate is an undergraduate.

D. Excelling is when a pupil uses frightening or threatening behavior towards another child who is smaller or less powerful in some way.

E. Tertiary education is the stage that follows primary education.

F. Comprehensive schools choose the best students to study there.

G. Guidelines list schools from good to bad according to their exam results.

3. Complete each sentence with a word from what you learned in the lesson.

- Matt won a (A) because of his excellent academic record.
- Zara's parents said that starting a rock band with her friends would be too much of a (B) from her studies.
- The report contains some interesting (C) on how best to prepare for exams.
- There were two (D) students in my class at university, but most of us were just 19.
- Katia wouldn't have been able to go to university if her grandparents hadn't paid her tuition (E) for her.
- Most undergraduates need to take out a student (F) to cover their costs while they study for a degree.
- Primary schools usually spend a lot of time on the (G) Rs.
- At university I was lucky enough to have a lot of (H) tutorials, just me and the tutor!

4. Complete the collocations by filling in the missing words according to the meaning given in brackets.

- (A) tables (lists of schools from best to worst)
- (B) education (entry to schools is decided by exam results)
- equality of (C) (when everyone has the same chances)
- (D) inequalities (make inequalities continue)
- (E) education (at university or college level)

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1. A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____
- D. _____
- E. _____
- F. _____
- G. _____
- H. _____
- I. _____
- J. _____
- K. _____

Answer Sheet

2. A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

D. _____

E. _____

F. _____

G. _____

3. A. _____ B. _____ C. _____ D. _____
E. _____ F. _____ G. _____ H. _____
4. A. _____ B. _____ C. _____
D. _____ E. _____

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1. Rewrite these sentences so they are more formal by using words and phrases from lesson instead of the underlined words. Make any other changes that are necessary.

- Inequality is built into (A) **inherent** in the education system.
- Giving access only to privileged groups (B) **Elitism** is bad for the country in the long term.
- Education where everyone gets into the same type of school without exams (C) **Comprehensive education** is a basic political ideal in many countries.
- A system where there are two levels (D) **two-tier system** of schools reduces (E) **depresses** the opportunities for children from poorer (F) **less well-off** families and favors those from richer (G) **better-off** families.
- Some private schools have lots of wealth and receive gifts of money, (H) **are well-endowed/ have endowments** and this means they can have better resources.
- All parents want their children to achieve the best possible results (I) **excel** at school.
- Emphasis on the three Rs is considered (J) **perceived** by parents to be the key to success.
- The government is increasing its provision for education that young people can enter after finishing secondary school (K) **tertiary education**.

2. Correct these statements about words or expressions from the lesson. Correct each of them twice - once by changing the definition and once by changing the word being defined.

A. One-to-one education is another way of saying continuing education.

One-to-one education means a situation where there is one teacher and one student.

Lifelong education is another way of saying continuing education.

- B. Numeracy refers to the ability to read.

Literacy refers to the ability to read.

Numeracy refers to the ability to count and do math.

- C. A student who is doing a doctorate is an undergraduate.

A student who is doing a doctorate is a postgraduate.

A student who is doing a first degree is an undergraduate.

- D. Excelling is when a pupil uses frightening or threatening behavior towards another child who is smaller or less powerful in some way.

Bullying is when a pupil uses frightening or threatening behavior towards another child

who is smaller or less powerful in some way.

Excelling is when a student does exceptionally well.

- E. Tertiary education is the stage that follows primary education.

Secondary education is the stage that follows primary education.

Tertiary education is the stage that follows secondary education.

- F. Comprehensive schools choose the best students to study there.

Selective schools choose the best students to study there.

Comprehensive schools take all students regardless of their academic ability.

- G. Guidelines list schools from good to bad according to their exam results.

League tables list schools from good to bad according to their exam results.

Guidelines offer advice on how to do something.

3. Complete each sentence with a word from what you learned in the lesson.

- Matt won a (A) **scholarship** because of his excellent academic record.
- Zara's parents said that starting a rock band with her friends would be too much of a (B) **distraction** from her studies.
- The report contains some interesting (C) **guidelines** on how best to prepare for exams.
- There were two (D) **mature** students in my class at university, but most of us were just 19.
- Katia wouldn't have been able to go to university if her grandparents hadn't paid her tuition (E) **fees** for her.
- Most undergraduates need to take out a student (F) **loan** to cover their costs while they study for a degree.
- Primary schools usually spend a lot of time on the (G) **three** Rs.
- At university I was lucky enough to have a lot of (H) **one-to-one** tutorials, just me and the tutor!

4. Complete the collocations by filling in the missing words according to the meaning given in brackets.

- (A) **league** tables (lists of schools from best to worst)
- (B) **selective** education (entry to schools is decided by exam results)
- equality of (C) **opportunity** (when everyone has the same chances)
- (D) **perpetuate** inequalities (make inequalities continue)
- (E) **tertiary** education (at university or college level)

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1. A. ● **inherent**
- B. ● **Elitism**
- C. ● **Comprehensive education**
- D. ● **two-tier system**
- E. ● **depresses**
- F. ● **less well-off**
- G. ● **better-off**
- H. ● **are well-endowed/ have endowments**
- I. ● **excel**
- J. ● **perceived**
- K. ● **tertiary education**

Answer Sheet

2. A. One-to-one education means a situation where there is one teacher and one student.
Lifelong education is another way of saying continuing education.
- B. Literacy refers to the ability to read.
Numeracy refers to the ability to count and do math.
- C. A student who is doing a doctorate is a postgraduate.
A student who is doing a first degree is an undergraduate.
- D. Bullying is when a pupil uses frightening or threatening behavior towards another child
who is smaller or less powerful in some way.
Excelling is when a student does exceptionally well.
- E. Secondary education is the stage that follows primary education.
Tertiary education is the stage that follows secondary education.
- F. Selective schools choose the best students to study there.
Comprehensive schools take all students regardless of their academic ability.
- G. League tables list schools from good to bad according to their exam results.
Guidelines offer advice on how to do something.
3. A. ● scholarship B. ● distraction C. ● guidelines D. ● mature
E. ● fees F. ● loan G. ● three H. ● one-to-one
4. A. league B. selective C. opportunity
D. perpetuate E. tertiary