

Problems at School

Hi! My name is Emma and I'm 14 years old. I like my school, but there are some problems.

First, we have too much homework. Every evening, I spend at least two hours doing my homework. We also have too many tests. Sometimes, we have three tests in the same week!

Another problem is the school canteen. There are too many students and too much noise at lunchtime. The queues are also too long, so we don't have enough time to eat.

I also think there are too many rules at school. We can't use our phones, we can't wear caps and we can't talk in the corridors. Some teachers give us too much work.

Finally, the classrooms are sometimes too cold in winter and too hot in summer. I love my school, but I think there are too many problems!



1 True or False?

Read the text. Say True or False and correct the false statements.



- Emma thinks students have more homework than they can reasonably do. _____
- Emma thinks having three tests in one week is a good thing. _____
- Students have enough time to eat comfortably at lunchtime. _____
- Emma thinks there are too few rules at school. _____
- Despite the problems, Emma still likes her school. _____

2 Vocabulary

Find the English words or expressions in the text.



- passer (du temps) → _____
- au moins → _____
- la même / le même → _____
- un autre / une autre → _____
- le bruit → _____
- les files d'attente → _____
- quelques → _____
- parfois → _____

3 Understand the meaning

Match each sentence with the correct meaning.



- We have too much homework.
- There are too many tests.
- The classroom is too cold.
- We don't have enough time.
- There aren't enough computers.

- There are more tests than necessary. ☐
- The temperature is lower than is comfortable. ☐
- The quantity of homework is excessive. ☐
- The students have less time than they need. ☐
- There are fewer computers than necessary. ☐

4 Grammar

Complete with too / too much / too many / enough / not enough.



- We can't finish the exercise. There isn't _____ time.
- I can't sleep because there is _____ noise.
- There are _____ students in the canteen.
- This exercise is _____ difficult for me.
- We have _____ homework every evening.

5 Translate into English



- Nous avons trop de devoirs. _____
- Il y a trop d'élèves dans la classe. _____
- La classe est trop froide. _____
- Nous n'avons pas assez de temps. _____
- Il y a suffisamment de chaises pour tout le monde. _____