

7A VOCABULARY Education

bring somebody up AND educate somebody	a state school AND a private school
pupils AND students	a teacher AND a professor
terms AND semesters	a secondary school AND a primary school
pass an exam AND fail an exam	learn AND study
be punished AND be expelled	a boarding school AND a school
take an exam AND retake an exam	do homework AND do housework
a single-sex school AND a mixed school	a graduate AND a student
a compulsory subject AND an optional subject	history AND a story
IT AND PE	a head teacher AND a teacher
at university AND at college	a mark AND a grade

Bring somebody up is to look after a child and teach him/her how to behave. It's usually done by parents / family member.

Educate is to teach somebody at school / university.

A **state school** is run by the government and is usually free.

You have to pay to go to a **private school**.

Pupils study in a primary / secondary school.

Students study at a university, college, or evening class.

A **teacher** teaches in any school apart from university.

A **professor** teaches in a university. He / She is usually a head of department.

Terms are one of the three periods of the year during which classes are held in schools, universities.

Semesters are the two periods that the school / college year is divided into, especially in the USA.

A **secondary school** is for children aged between 11-16 years in the UK.

A **primary school** is for children aged between 4-11 years in the UK.

Pass an exam is to achieve the required standard in an exam or test.

Fail an exam is the opposite.

Learn is to get knowledge or a skill.

Study is to spend time learning about something.

Be punished is to make someone suffer because they've done something bad or wrong.

Be expelled is to officially make somebody leave school because they have done something wrong.

A **boarding school** is a school where pupils eat, sleep, live, and study.

A **school** is a place where children go to be educated.

Take an exam is the same as do an exam.

Retake an exam is to do an exam again because you've previously failed it.

Do homework is to do the work given by teachers at home.

Do housework is to do the work involved in taking care of a home, e.g. cleaning, cooking, etc.

A **single sex school** is a school for either boys or girls, but not both.

A **mixed school** is a school for both boys and girls.

A **graduate** is a person who has a university degree.

A **student** is a person who studies at university or college.

A **compulsory subject** is one you have to study.

An **optional subject** is one that you can choose to study or not.

History is a subject which is the study of past events at school or university.

A **story** is a description of events and people that a writer has invented in order to entertain.

IT stands for Information Technology, which is a subject at school or university.

PE stands for Physical Education, which is a subject at school or university.

A **head teacher** is a person who is in charge of a school.

A **teacher** is a person who teaches in any school apart from a university.

A **university** is a place where you can study for a degree or do research.

A **college** is often what universities are called in the U.S.

A **mark** is the result of a test or exam, given as a number.

A **grade** is the result of a test or exam, given as a letter.