

# Создание основы для формирования интереса к совершенствованию достигнутого уровня владения изучаемым иностранным языком, в том числе на основе самонаблюдения и самооценки, к изучению 2го/3го ИЯ, к использованию ИЯ как средства получения информации, позволяющей расширять свои знания в других предметных областях

Unit 3



About 90 per cent of all children in the USA attend state or public schools where education is free. In other words 43 million pupils and students go to public schools and another 6 million are in private schools.

In private schools parents have to pay for their children's education. Most of the private schools have religious education, too.

The relations between students and teachers in state schools are democratic and friendly. In American public schools students wear whatever they want.

Students can choose the subjects they want to study. They often take part in non-academic activities such as sports, drama clubs, school newspaper or radio.

Americans think that each person should achieve all that he or she can. But some Americans believe that the quality of education is going down. They think that the number of basic subjects is few, students watch too much TV and do too little homework.

In Great Britain there are different types of secondary schools. Most of them are state schools where education is free. But some parents choose to pay for private education. Private (or public) schools in England and Wales are very expensive and they are attended by about 5 per cent of the school population.

The education in public schools is of high quality, the discipline is very strict. Most of private schools are either for boys or for girls.

Public schools are famous not only for their perfect education but also for the right friends and contacts which are useful for a successful future.

In some British schools uniforms are worn by all the pupils, in others the children can wear what they want to. Some public schools in Britain, such as Eton, have uniforms based on what was worn over a hundred years ago.

Some private schools are very famous, such as Eton, Harrow, Rugby and Winchester.

Harrow school is famous as the place where Winston Churchill was educated, as well as six other Prime Ministers of Great Britain, the poet Lord Byron and many other prominent people.

67 Answer the following questions. Use the texts if needed.

What are "Schools of Air"? Where are they? How does "School Through the Mailbox" work? Which schools in all countries are attended by most students: state or private ones? Why do people choose private education? What is the difference between public schools in Great Britain and in the United States?

68 Translate the following words and word combinations. Use them in your own sentences:

education (образование, воспитание)	compulsory secondary / higher private / state free / not free
to educate (давать образование, воспитывать)	be educated at... self-educated
to attend (посещать)	a school / classes / a meeting

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49 Listen, read and remember.

**One stress**  
First syllable: 'English, 'History, 'Literature, 'Drama, 'Science, 'Chemistry;  
Second syllable: Tech'nology, Bi'ology.

**Two stresses**  
'Edu'cation, 'Infor'mation, 'Eco'nomics, 'Mathe'matics, 'Chi'nese, 'Japa'nese.

50 All grown-ups remember their school years. Listen to the story told by an Englishman. Answer the questions:

- At what age do students finish school in Britain?
- What first language is studied in British schools?
- What kind of a subject is Science?
- Why is it important to study Russian?

51 Put the following letters in the correct order. Find out some of the subjects that you have at school.

h, e, g, l, s, i, n — gives you a chance to make friends in many parts of the world  
t, s, h, a, m — helps you to calculate how much money you can ask your parents for  
t, e, l, a, e, r, u, t, i, r — helps you to live many lives without your leaving home  
t, o, r, h, y, s, i — makes you a participant of lots of events (события) which happened long ago  
e, y, h, p, g, o, a, r, g — you can visit different countries without leaving your own city

George (New Zealand): My perfect school is much like the school I study in. However some things could be changed. I'd like our teachers and students to treat each other with more respect. Discipline should be quite strict but punishments shouldn't be very severe. I think some subjects such as Geography, History, Art, Drama should be only studied by students who are interested in them. These subjects have nothing to do with real life. I think they are useless and boring. I prefer the subjects that prepare us for the life outside school. I'm sure school should still be compulsory.

52 Read what the conference participants from different countries think of a perfect school. Who do you agree with? Would you like to add anything?

Marina (Russia): I think a perfect school is a brightly decorated building. You can study any subject you like. Teachers talk to their students as if they are grown-ups, individuals. Students are allowed to talk freely about their problems in school or at home. Students are allowed to come to school whenever they want. The rules in school should be democratic: neither strict nor too free. It would be also nice to have a school newspaper and school radio. The radio can be used not only for reporting news but also for the concerts prepared by the most talented students.

Alfred (Norway): The perfect school should start at 11 o'clock. Teachers should understand our problems and listen to the ideas we have. No school uniform and special haircuts! The breaks should be longer than now. No boring subjects like Science or History. Students should only study what they really enjoy. They shouldn't worry about tests and marks: if they don't know much — it's their personal business.

