

All about school



1 Read Luke's answers and write the full questions.



Hi!

I'm Luke. I live in Brighton on the south-east coast of England, with my mum, my dad and my younger brother, Callum.

I'm 15 years old. I go to William Cobbett School in Brighton. I'm in Year 11, which means my classmates are between 15 and 16 years old. At the end of the school year, i.e. in June, we have to take G.C.S.E. examinations. The title stands for General Certificate of Secondary Education. These are national examinations and most school students in England take them, usually at the age of 16. I'm going to take 11 subjects. Everyone has to take GCSE in the core subjects – Maths, English and Science and P.E. (that's Physical Education) – and then you can choose from loads of other subjects. I'm doing English Literature, History, French, German, Statistics, Religious Studies and Graphics.



What am I good at? Well, I'm pretty good at Maths and Science but, to be honest, I'm not so great at English. I need to improve my writing. I really enjoy Graphics, though drawing is not my strong point. What subjects don't I like? Well, I used to hate German but now I like it a lot. That's because I've got a new teacher and she's really great. But I'm not keen on History and I can't stand R.S. Actually, to be honest, my favourite subject is Music, but I don't do it at school.

Music is my main hobby. I play drums in a band. We're called Swelter, and our music is sort of indie rock. We rehearse once a week for two hours at the Brighton Music Service Studio. Next Saturday we're playing a gig at the school, so I'm practising hard at the moment (when I've finished my homework, of course!) The noise drives my parents crazy!

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| 1 What's your name..... ?
Luke. | 9 How many ?
11. |
| 2 Where ?
Brighton. | 10 What ?
Maths and Science. |
| 3 Where ?
It's on the south-east coast of England. | 11 What ?
History and R.S. |
| 4 Which ?
William Cobbett School. | 12 What's ?
Music. |
| 5 Which ?
Year 11 | 13 Which ?
Drums. |
| 6 How old ?
Between 15 and 16 years old | 14 What's ?
Swelter. |
| 7 What ?
It stands for General Certificate of Secondary Education. | 15 How often ?
Once a week for two hours. |
| 8 When ?
At the age of 16. | 16 Why ?
Because I've got a gig next Saturday. |

2 Read the rest of Luke's letter and then write a reply to him in your notebooks.

Now I'd like to know about your school and what you study. What are you good at? What subjects do you enjoy? Are there any subjects you are not so keen on? Do you have to take any exams this year? What's your main hobby outside school? Tell me everything!

All the best

Luke

