

18 Listen to four British teenagers talking about their schools. Fill in as much information as you can in the table below.

	type of school	doesn't like	enjoys
Sophie			
Jack			
Ryan			
Louise			

19 Look at the words below. How many syllables are there in each word?

Example: *music* – 2 syllables
musical – 3 syllables

Now listen and write the number of syllables you hear in each word.

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| 1 lesson |2..... | 5 private | | 9 behaviour | |
| 2 homework | | 6 detention | | 10 study | |
| 3 uniform | | 7 chemistry | | | |
| 4 strict | | 8 experiment | | | |

Now listen again. This time, underline the stressed syllable.

20 Some teenagers are now going to give you some information about the education system in Britain. Listen and complete the missing information.

State education is free but some parents pay for a) *private* education.

Private schools are very expensive and about b) % of British kids go to them.

Children go to nursery school from three years old to c) years old.

They go to primary school when they are d) years old.

They start secondary school at 11. Children in the UK must go to school until they are e) years old.

They can stay at school for two more years until they are f) years old.

Children at secondary school in Britain have to study g) subjects.

The main subjects are English, mathematics and h) Children must spend more time studying these subjects.

The other subjects are history, i), art, one foreign language (French is the most usual), design and technology, physical education and j)

When they are 16 years old, students have to take General Certificate of Secondary Education exams (GCSEs) in as many subjects as they can manage, often about k) or ten.

At 18, they take A levels which qualify them for entry to l) Students in the UK specialise early, choosing just three or four subjects to study at A level.

About m) % of young people go to university or college.

Compare the differences between the French school system and the British school system.