

2 EDUCATION IN UKRAINE

OBJECTIVES

GRAMMAR: adverbs of manner and modifiers

VOCABULARY: school life; rules of conduct

READING AND SPEAKING

1 Look at the pictures. In which photos can you see the interactive whiteboard, casual clothes, the school uniform, a modern and spacious library? Which of these photos can describe your school?



2 Do you need to wear a uniform at school? What other school rules do you have to follow?

3 Work with your partner. Discuss and place the following rules in the table on the right. Add two rules in each column using your ideas.

- Share new ideas.
- Play mobile games during lessons.
- Be polite.
- Speak while the teacher's speaking.
- Use fireworks in the classroom.
- Be on time.
- Eat another student's lunch.
- Wear a school uniform.
- Join after-school clubs.
- Be more than 15 minutes late.

Do	Do Not
• <i>Share new ideas.</i>	•
•	•
•	•
•	•

4 Read the first paragraph of the text on page 5 and answer the question: what are the two main changes in the Ukrainian system of secondary education nowadays?

5 Read the rest of the text on page 5 and answer the questions.

- What do the pupils like about their schools?
- What would the pupils like to change in their schools?
- What do both pupils have in common?

EDUCATION IN UKRAINE

The education system in Ukraine is changing. Now a child has to study in school for 12 years, like a lot of pupils in Europe. Also, more and more schools are following the 'New Ukrainian School' programme that promotes innovation, creativity, and cooperation between teachers, parents, and their children. We asked two pupils from a state school and a private school to share what they like about their schools and what other changes at their schools they want to see.



Lina I study in a state school. I like my school, my classmates, and the teachers. Everyone is friendly to each other; the teachers are **very** kind and helpful, they explain the material in an interesting way and make it easy to understand. However, there are a few things I would **happily** change in my school. Firstly, the start time of the first lessons – why do we have to wake up so early? Secondly, I would make classes smaller – there are around 30 children in every form, and it often becomes **too** noisy during lessons. I would also make our classrooms more modern and add more technology like interactive whiteboards, tablets, and computers. Besides, I would prefer to study only the subjects we need for the future, like in most European schools.



Mark My parents chose a **really** great private school for me. The school building is **quite** spacious and modern. All the classrooms have interactive whiteboards, computers, tablets that everyone can use **freely**. We also have a big swimming pool and the gym, and I enjoy our PE lessons there. But the most amazing place is our library – there are not only paper books and magazines; pupils can also surf the Internet and watch different educational films there.

Is there anything I would like to change? The compulsory school uniform. I would like to wear something more casual like jeans and pullovers instead of jackets and trousers. Oh, and one more thing – the lessons should start a little later because I would like to stay in bed for longer in the morning.

GRAMMAR

Adverbs of manner and modifiers

1 Read the sentences with the adverbs in bold in the text and choose the correct alternative.

Adverbs such as **quite, very, really, too** modify *adjectives / verbs*.

Adverbs such as **happily** and **freely** modify *adjectives / verbs*.

2 Read the following sentences and fill in the gaps with the adverbs below.

safely | slowly | fully | very | loudly | too | nicely

- All pupils should know traffic rules to travel to school _____.
- Walk along the school corridors _____.
- When the teacher asks you a question, answer it _____.
- English is _____ important for university education.

- Spending _____ much time playing computer games can harm your eyes.
- We mustn't speak _____ in the school library.
- Our English teacher always talks to us _____.

