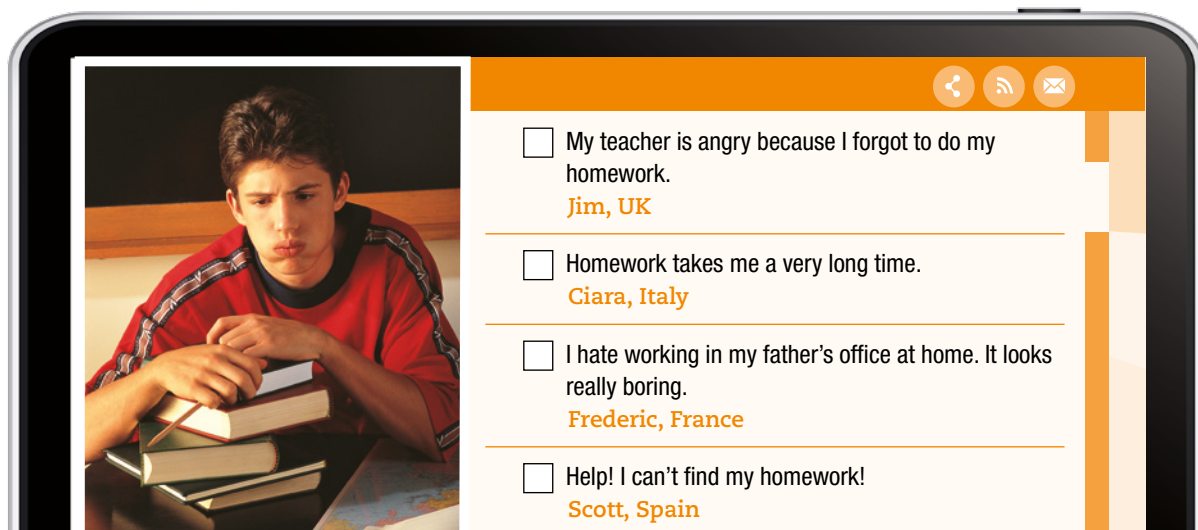


Improving your study space

1 Read the sentences. Circle the alternative that is true for you.

- 1 I always study at my desk/on my bed.
- 2 When I study, my phone is always near/far away.
- 3 My desk always/never has a lot of papers and books on it.
- 4 I usually study in a quiet/noisy place.

2 Read the students' comments about study problems. Tick (✓) any problems you have.



<input type="checkbox"/>	My teacher is angry because I forgot to do my homework. Jim, UK
<input type="checkbox"/>	Homework takes me a very long time. Ciara, Italy
<input type="checkbox"/>	I hate working in my father's office at home. It looks really boring. Frederic, France
<input type="checkbox"/>	Help! I can't find my homework! Scott, Spain

3 Look at the two study spaces. Tick (✓) the study space that is most like the place where you study. Which study space would you like to work in? Write three reasons why.



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- 4 Read the Study tips. Circle the items you have in your study space. Write the items you can see in the photos in 3.

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- 5 Look back at the previous page. Which Study tips (1-6) will help the people in 2?

Jim

Ciara

Frederic

Scott

- 6 Match the beginnings (1-5) to the endings (a-e). Underline the things you already do.

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| 1 I always use a dictionary | a to help me remember new vocabulary. |
| 2 I make word cards and put them on a noticeboard | b to stop me feeling hungry. |
| 3 I write important dates on a calendar | c to find words I don't know. |
| 4 I keep a weekly planner | d to help me to organise my week. |
| 5 I keep healthy snacks in my desk drawer. | e to help me remember. |

STUDY TIP

- 1 Keep the things you need to study near to you in a **drawer** or on a **shelf** next to your **desk** so you can find everything easily.
- 2 Use a paper **dictionary** and a **calculator**. Don't use a dictionary on your **phone**. It is easy to start looking at other things.
- 3 Don't put your **books** on your desk. Use **boxes** or drawers. Put your papers in a **folder**. Name the files and documents on your **computer** clearly.
- 4 Have a **digital clock** on your desk and set a time limit for your work.
- 5 Write homework that you need to do in a **planner** or write a note and put it on a **noticeboard** above your desk.
- 6 Ask if you can paint the walls of your study place. Choose a calm colour like blue or green. Put a **poster** or your favourite photographs on the wall.

- 7 Look at your study space. Tick (✓) the things on the checklist that are true for you. Then write the changes that you need to make to your study space in the Action plan.

My study space

Checklist

- ☐ I have a quiet place where I can study.
- ☐ I know where my school books are.
- ☐ I keep a record of my homework and the date it's due.
- ☐ I put my work in folders.
- ☐ I keep everything I need in one place.
- ☐ My computer folders are organised.
- ☐ I like my study space.

Action plan

I need to:

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