

Lesson 17

Is It Good News or Bad News?

1. Dad just bought a new car! It's bigger than our old one.

Q1. Is it good news or bad news?

Q2. Do you think your mom is happy?

Why or why not?



2. The fortune teller told you that you would be famous when you grew up.

Q1. Are you happy about that?

Q2. Do you believe what fortune tellers say?

Q3. Why do some people believe fortune tellers?



3. From now on, there will be no classes on Saturday.

Q1. Do you want to study on Saturday?

Q2. What do you usually do on the weekend?

Q3. Do you prefer two long vacations (winter and summer) with class on weekends, or shorter vacations and no weekend classes?



4. Dad will be away from home on a business trip for a month or longer.

Q1. Is it good news or bad news?

Q2. Would you miss your dad if he went away?

Q3. How about your mom? Do you think she is sad about his leaving, or is she glad because she will have more free time?

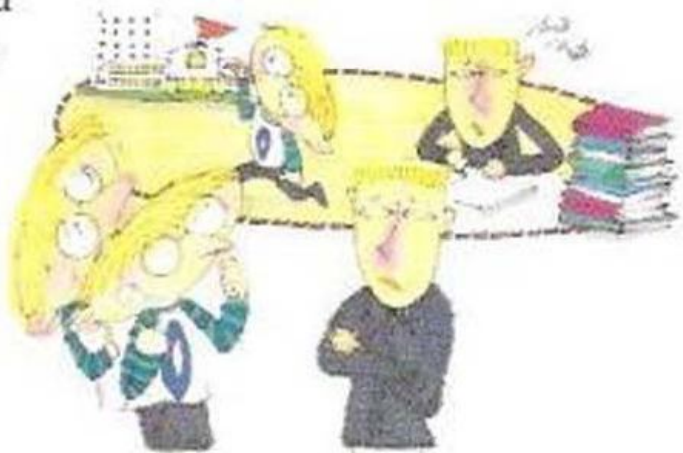


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5. Entrance exams will no longer be used for college admissions.

Q1. Do you want to shout "Hooray!"?

Q2. If everybody is admitted without an exam, more people would fail after they entered college. Do you still favor getting rid of the entrance exam?



6. The General Assembly is debating a law that prohibits parents from spanking their children.

Q1. What do you think?

Q2. What would you say to someone who says, "It is the parents' right to spank their kids"?



7. Your parents decided to give you a lot of money.

Q1. Do you like the idea?

Q2. People become lazy if they have money without having to work for it. Would you still want a lot of money given to you?



8. Your family decides to move to the country.

Q1. Would you prefer living in the city or countryside?

Q2. Talk about the good and bad things about living outside the city.

