



# EXTENSION

Name: .....

1 Write the words below in your own language. You can use a dictionary.

- 1. tie .....
- 2. badge .....
- 3. sweatshirt .....
- 4. pinafore dress .....

2 Read the timeline. Then complete the sentences according to the text. Use the gerund or infinitive form of the verbs in brackets.

### School Uniforms in England

Many students have to wear school uniforms. Some students like wearing them. Adam (14) said he preferred wearing a school uniform because it was easy to get ready in the morning. But others aren't pleased. Sharon (15) said she was unhappy because she couldn't choose her own style. So, when did school uniforms begin in England and why?

**1552:** King Edward VI wants to help poor children in England. Many parents haven't got money for schools, so King Edward opens a school for poor boys and girls in London. He calls it Christ's Hospital. The children wear long blue coats and yellow socks. The uniform is very cheap.

**1700s:** Girls learn at home, but there are many private schools for boys from rich families in the UK. The students do sport and their expensive clothes get dirty. Parents decide to send their boys to school in uniform because it's practical.

**1800s:** Boys and girls from rich families go to private schools and wear formal uniforms. Boys wear white shirts, long trousers, short jackets and hats. They've got uniforms for different sports, too. Girls wear different dresses for lessons and sport. Later, students in public schools start wearing a similar uniform.

**1920s-1940s:** English school uniforms begin to change to give a school and its students a unique identity. Students wear sweaters and jackets with school badges. Boys wear grey shirts, short trousers and ties in school colours. Girls wear pinafore dresses.

**1960s-1980s:** Boys wear long trousers. In some schools, girls wear trousers and sweaters instead of skirts and shirts.

**1990s:** Students wear sweatshirts with no ties.

- 1. 1552: King Edward VI decides ..... (open) Christ's Hospital because .....
- 2. 1700s: Boys from private schools start ..... (wear) uniforms because .....
- 3. 1800s: In private schools, students need ..... (wear) different .....  
..... . Public schools also choose  
..... (have) similar school uniforms.
- 4. 1920s-1940s: Schools feel like ..... (create) their own identity so .....
- 5. 1960s-1980s: Girls start ..... (dress) in .....
- 6. 1990s: Students stop ..... (wear) .....

**3** Imagine students from the past said the sentences below. Decide which period in the timeline each student is from. Then write the sentences in reported speech.

1. **Sue:** I'm wearing a pinafore dress today. ....

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2. **Alex to Max:** I'll put on my grey shirt and my tie and then I'll meet you outside the classroom.

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3. **Oliver:** In my school we wear yellow socks. ....

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4. **Mike:** I can't find my rugby uniform. ....

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5. **Robert:** My mum often complains about how dirty my nice clothes become. ....

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**4** Describe your ideal school uniform. What do boys and girls wear and what style is it?