

## Class blogs

Hey mates!

David here. I'm a student at Reynolds Secondary School. It's Monday and we are in our computer lab. My school is great! There are 22 students in my class: 10 girls and 12 boys. There are some foreign students, too: one is from Morocco and one is from Sweden.

I've got twelve subjects: English, Maths, Science, Information Technology (IT), Technology, Geography, History, Art, Music and Physical Education (PE). We also study a modern foreign language (generally French or German) and Citizenship.

Monday is my favourite school day: the first lesson is History and it's at 9.00; the second lesson is Geography. There is a break at 10.30 and then I have my third lesson, Art, and after that English. Lunch is at 12.20. ICT is the last lesson and it's at 1.45.

My ICT teacher's name is Mr Gates and he's very high tech! He's very good at teaching. There are always interesting projects in his class: web pages, blogs, video conferences!!!

My school is really cool!!!

Posted by: David Time: 10.00 am

## It's half past five

Charlie	Hello, girls!
Yasmin and Emma	Hi, Charlie! Hi, Sam!
Sam	Hi!
Charlie	Are those your school books, Yasmin?
Yasmin	Yes, they're my History books.
Sam	But today's Sunday!
Emma	Yes, but Yasmin and I have got two tests next week.
Charlie	Poor you! When are they?
Emma	There's a History test tomorrow morning at none o'clock...
Yasmin	...and there's a Maths test on Tuesday.
Charlie	Ugh! Maths is really difficult!
Yasmin	Actually, it's my favourite subject. But the test can be very difficult.
Emma	Come on, Yasmin! It's half past five...

## AT SCHOOL

PENCIL CASE – pen – pencil – crayon – felt-tip pen – marker – highlighter – ruler – set square – rubber/eraser – scissors – pencil sharpener – glue – calculator – compass – stapler – sellotape – correction fluid

SCHOOL BAG – book – exercise-book – copybook – notebook – note pad – spiral notebook – folder – binder – diary – piece/sheet of paper – dictionary – snack

CLASSROOM – ceiling – floor – wall – window – door – lamp – lights – chair – table – desk – cupboard – blackboard/whiteboard/chalkboard – chalk – bin/basket – clock – calendar – poster – map – globe – atlas – teacher – student

## SCHOOL SUBJECTS

Italian, Maths, English, French, History, Geography, Science, ICT, Music, Sport/PE (Physical Education), Art, Religion, Social Studies, Drama, Break, Citizenship

## SCHOOL PLACES

school – classroom – library – toilet – playground – gym – staffroom – corridor – dining room – lab

## MATHS

Addition (one and/plus one is two), subtraction (ten minus six equals four), multiplication (five times ten equals fifty), division (ten divided by two equals five), fractions, percentages, per cent, square root

## ICT

Hardware/software – input/output devices

printer – monitor – screen – mouse – mouse pad – right/left button – click/double click – tower/case – keyboard – keys – scanner – speakers – plug – earphones – joystick – laptop – webcam – digital camera – mp3 player – pen drive/flash pen – floppy – CD (Compact Disk) – DVD (Digital Video Disc / Digital Versatile Disc)

CPU (Central Processing Unit) – HD (Hard Disk) – RAM (Random Access Memory) – ROM (Read Only Memory)

KEYBOARD – caps lock – shift – space bar – enter – backspace – delete

DESKTOP – icons – trash – computer resources – documents – internet explorer – scrollbar – toolbar – folder – cursor

Cut – copy – paste – new – save – open – close – resize – print – underline – highlight – spell check – colour

## SMS (short message service)

CU@school – xoxoxoxo (kisses and hugs) – where RU? – RU OK? – PLS SAM (please, send a message) – B4n (bye for now) – UR my \* – KIT (keep in touch) – I'm @ home

## TIME

- 60 Seconds, 60 minutes, 24 hours, 7 days, 12 months, 100 years, centuries
- Days of the week
- Parts of day (sunrise, morning, noon, afternoon, sunset, evening, night, midnight)
- Months of the year
- Seasons of the year

Autumn (leaf, tree, mushroom, umbrella, wind)

Winter (snow, snowman, snowflakes, snowballs)

Spring (nest, flowers, tree, butterfly, snail, bird, sun, sky, cloud)

Summer (sun, sunglasses, sunflower, ice-cream, fish, sea, boat, sail, beach, beach-umbrella, beach-hat, mountain, river, lake, wind, cloud, bike, garden)

- DATE

What day is it today? Is today Monday?

What's the date today? Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2007 | autumn, foggy

Today, this morning, this afternoon, this evening, tonight  
 yesterday, the day before yesterday, yesterday morning, yesterday afternoon, yesterday evening, last night  
 tomorrow, the day after tomorrow, tomorrow morning, tomorrow afternoon, tomorrow evening, tomorrow night  
 last Monday, last weekend, last week, last month, last year

- Early/late, now, again
- Celebrations (New Year's Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, May Day, birthday, summer holidays, Halloween, Christmas, Easter)

## PUNCTUATION

comma (,) full stop (.) colon (:) semicolon (;) exclamation mark (!) question mark (?) dash (-) underscore (\_)  
 apostrophe (') dot dot dot (...) quotation marks ("" ) brackets (round, square, curly) example given (e.g.)  
 new line, etc.

### teacher

- Sit down! Stand up! Shut up! Be quiet! Silence!
- Open/Close your books/the door/the window
- Open your book at page ...
- work in pairs / in group
- Take your book
- Put down your... / Pick up your... / Tidy up
- Put the red pen next to the yellow pencil
- Pens on the table!
- Relax!
- Come to the blackboard!
- Clean the blackboard!
- Go to the window!
- Touch the window!
- Go out! / Come in!
- Turn on/off the lights!
- Show me the door
- Give me your book
- Point to the window
- Look at the door
- Turn back
- Pay attention!
- It's your turn, now
- Hurry up!
- Well done / Fine / Brilliant
- Can you spell it? How do you spell that?
- Do you understand?
- Have you finished?
- Are you sure/ready?
- Is it clear?

### ***At school***

<b>Must</b>	<b>Mustn't</b>
Listen to me	Speak Italian
Tidy your room	Use your mobile phone in class

### teacher

- Listen / speak / read / write
- Repeat / chant / sing a song / circle / underline / ask and answer/ complete / draw / colour / label / tick / learn / teach / study / cut / copy / paste / count to ten / turn pages /put a tick or a cross / true/false / match / write the answers

**student**

- Can you repeat, please?
- I'm sorry, I can't understand. Could you repeat, please?
- What's the Italian/English for... ?
- What does "friend" mean?
- How do you say ... in English?
- I don't know
- sorry, I'm late / sorry for being late
- what page is it?
- can I borrow a pen?
- here/not here

**student**

- May/Can I go to the toilet, please? May/Can I drink, please? May/Can I stand up, please? May/Can I go out, please? May/Can I speak, please? May/Can I clean the blackboard? May/Can I have a snack? May/Can I clean the blackboard? / Please, Miss!

## Ask and say ...

### **At school**

- When's Maths? Maths is on ...
- When do you have Maths? We have Maths on ... at ..
- What lessons do you have on Tuesday mornings? I have ... on Tuesday mornings.
- Do you like English? Yes, I do / No, I don't
- Are you good at ...? Yes, I am / no, I am not
- What's your favourite lesson/subject? My favourite lesson/subject is ...
- Which subject don't you like? I don't like Maths
- What are your favourite lessons/subjects? My favourite lessons/subjects are ...
- How do you go to school? I go to school by ... / I walk
- How many hours do you study in the afternoon for your homework? I study 2 hours a day
- Where do you usually do your homework? I usually do my homework in my bedroom.
- Who is your favourite teacher? My favourite teacher is ...
- What's he/she like?/Tell me about your teacher. He/she is ...
- Is he/she a good teacher? Yes, he/she is

### **Time**

- What's the time? What time is it?
- It's ... o'clock
- it's ... past/to ...
- it's a quarter past/to ....
- It's half past ...
- When's your birthday? Is your birthday in June? My birthday is on the seventh of June / It's in February
- When's the football match? It's on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 4.45
- What's the date today? It's 20<sup>th</sup> December
- What day is it today? It's Monday
- What day is it today? And the month?
- What day is it tomorrow? And yesterday?
- What's the date today?
- How many days are there in a week?
- How many months are there in a year?
- What's the day before Tuesday?
- What's the day after tomorrow?
- What's the month before/after August?
- Is today Friday?
- When's Christmas?

### **Can**

- Can I go to the toilet, please? (permission)
- Can I have a cup of tea, please? (request)
- It can rain tomorrow (possibility)
- They can play the guitar (ability) but they can't sing

## NUMBERS

1one - 2two - 3three - 4four - 5five - 6six - 7seven - 8eight - 9nine - 10ten  
 11eleven - 12twelve - 13thirteen - 14fourteen - 15fifteen - 16sixteen - 17seventeen - 18eighteen - 19nineteen -  
 20twenty  
 21twenty-one - 22twenty-two - 23twenty-three - 24twenty-four - 25twenty-five - 26twenty-six - 27twenty-seven -  
 28twenty-eight - 29twenty-nine  
 30thirty - 40forty - 50fifty - 60sixty - 70seventy - 80eighty - 90ninety  
 100 a/one hundred  
 1,000 a/one thousand  
 1,000,000 a/one million  
 1 – 100

## Ordinals

## DEMONSTRATIVES

Si usa **this** (al singolare) e **these** (al plurale) per parlare di persone, animali o cose vicine a chi parla.

**This is a book** – questo è un libro.

**These are books** – questi sono libri.

Si usa **That** (al singolare) e **those** (al plurale) per parlare di persone, animali o cose lontane da chi parla.

**That is a book** – quello è un libro.

**Those are books** – quelli sono libri.

## QUESTION WORDS

When, why (+ because), whose

*Whose key is this? Whose is this key?*

## POSSESSIVE PRONOUNS

Possessive pronouns	
Mine	A ciascun aggettivo possessivo corrisponde un pronome possessivo, ad eccezione di <i>its</i> che non ha un pronome possessivo corrispondente. A differenza dell'italiano i pronomi possessivi non prendono mai l'articolo, sono invariabili per genere e numero. Alla terza persona singolare, i pronomi possessivi concordano nel genere con il possessore e non con la cosa posseduta.
Yours	
His	
Hers	
Ours	
Yours	
Theirs	

## PREPOSITIONS OF TIME

**in** – *in April* | *in 1972* | *in summer* | *in the morning*

**at** – *at 8.00* | *at lunchtime* | *at night* | *at the weekend* | *at weekends* | *at lunchtime*

**on** – *on Sunday* | *on April 1<sup>st</sup>*

## @VERBS

Present simple of **can** (affirmative, negative, question, short answers) – permission, request, possibility, ability

## IMPERATIVE

La forma affermativa dell'imperativo corrisponde alla forma base del verbo senza il soggetto. La stessa forma vale sia per il tu, per il voi che per il Lei. Per la forma negativa dell'imperativo sia usa **Don't** seguito dalla forma base del verbo. Questo vale anche per il verbo **be**.

**Look! Don't look! Don't be late!**

L'imperativo si usa per esprimere ordini, comandi, istruzioni, proibizioni e avvertimenti.

**1. INSERISCI GLI OGGETTI SCOLASTICI NELLA COLONNA GIUSTA.**

blackboard, ceiling, student, pencil, diary, window, crayon, felt-tip pen, teacher, exercise-book, snack, marker, clock, bin, ruler, map, eraser, scissors, globe, sharpener, chair, glue, lights, stapler, sellotape, floor, correction fluid, desk.

[illegible]

**2. COMPLETA LE FRASI CON THIS / THAT / THESE / THOSE.**

1. Please, give me **THAT** schoolbag! (far)
2. Stop it, Luna. Don't eat ..... sock, you silly dog! (near)
3. .... CDs in the shop window are fantastic! (far)
4. I always wear ..... shorts for tennis (near).

### 3. RIORDINA I NUMERI.

thirty-five, ninety-seven, nineteen, seventy-nine, fifty-nine, eighty-nine, thirteen, thirty-eight, twelve, fourteen, one-hundred, twenty-five, forty-four, sixteen, eleven.

#### 4. INDIVIDUA GLI ORARI CORRETTI.

1. 15.30 It's half past three pm.
2. 10.00 It's ten o'clock.
3. 10.50 It's ten past ten am.
4. 19.10 It's ten past seven pm.
5. 17.35 It's thirty-five past five pm.
6. 21.15 It's a quarter past nine pm.
7. 18.35 It's twenty-five to seven pm.
8. 10.07 It's seven minutes past ten.

**5. SCRIVI SE LE FRASI SONO CORRETTE (C) O INCORRETTE (I).**

1. My birthday is on June. **(I)**
2. Maths is on Monday.
3. The football match is in 4pm.
4. My sister's birthday is on April.
5. Christmas is at winter.
6. On Autumn it's very rainy.

**6. TRASCRIVI LE DATE COME NELL'ESEMPIO.**

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|----|------------|----------------|
| 1. | 06/03/1972 | 6th March 1972 |
| 2. | 19/01/2007 | .....          |
| 3. | 21/05/2012 | .....          |
| 4. | 03/11/2000 | .....          |
| 5. | 22/06/1998 | .....          |
| 6. | 13/09/1999 | .....          |

**7. RIORDINA I NOMI DEI GIORNI DELLA SETTIMANA, DEI MESI E DELLE STAGIONI. QUALI SONO GLI ELEMENTI MANCANTI?**

DAY OF THE WEEK \_\_\_\_\_ MONTH OF THE YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ SEASON OF THE YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

YMADON _____	EEESPTMBR _____	GNISPR _____
NRJAUAY _____	OOEBCRT _____	YEEAWDNSD _____
BRRFEUAY _____	VERENOMB _____	AUYTHRS _____
HAMRC _____	UUATMN _____	AUYETED _____
PRLAI _____	GSTUUA _____	AIYFRD _____
AYM _____	EEEMDCBR _____	AAUYSTRD _____
NJUE _____	TRWNIE _____	

**8. QUALI DI QUESTE AFFERMAZIONI SONO CORRETTE?**

1. December is the first month of the year.
2. Wednesday is the day before Tuesday.
3. Easter is in December .
4. Tuesday is the day after Monday.
5. Christmas is in winter.
6. February is the second month of the year.
7. Summer is a hot season.

**9. RIORDINA I GIORNI DELLA SETTIMANA NUMERANDOLI.**

Wednesday – Tuesday – Thursday - Sunday – Monday - Friday – Saturday .

**10. CERCHIA L'IMPERATIVO CORRETTO.**

1. *Be / Don't be* silly! This is important.
2. *Eat / Don't eat* in class, please.
3. Please *speak / don't speak* English! I don't understand Russian.
4. *Help / Don't help* me! I can't do my homework.
5. *Write / Don't write* to us! We like letters and e-mails.
6. *Read / Don't read* that book! It's very boring.

**11. RIORDINA LE ISTRUZIONI PER MANDARE UNA E-MAIL.**

1. Click on send.
2. Close the programme.
3. Write your message.
4. Open the e-mail programme.
5. Turn off the computer.
6. Turn on the computer.
7. Type in your friend's e-mail address.



