

ARRIVAL

18.1. Vocabulary

Ex. 1. Match the words with the Russian equivalents.

1. sign in	a. на больничном
2. present	b. присутствовать
3. cubby	c. отсутствующий
4. absent	d. обед
5. lunch	e. расписаться
6. drop off	f. высаживать
7. coat	g. пальто
8. store	h. явочный лист
9. out sick	i. магазин; хранить
10. be late	j. шкафчик
11. backpack	k. опоздать
12. attendance sheet	l. рюкзак

Ex. 2. Complete the sentences with the following words:

attendance, absent, in, off, present, late, lunch, store, coat, backpack, cubby, out

She was _____ (1) from school yesterday because she wasn't feeling well.

Make sure to sign your name on the _____ (2) sheet as you enter the classroom.

He always carries his books in his _____ (3) to school.

Remember to hang up your _____ (4) on the hook before entering the classroom.

Put your backpack in your assigned _____ (5) before class starts.

His mom will drop him _____ (6) at school every morning before work.

Try not to be _____ (7) for class so that you don't miss any important information.

I usually pack my _____ (8) the night before school.

She was _____ (9) sick for a week with the flu but finally returned to school today.

Please raise your hand and say " _____ (10)" when your name is called during roll call.

Don't forget to sign _____ (11) at the office when you arrive at school each morning.

The school _____ (12) sells snacks and school supplies to students.

18.2. Reading

Ex. 1. Read the text.

Hi, my name is Alex. I'm 11 years old and I live in San Francisco. I'm in the sixth grade at Roosevelt Middle School. This is my first year here and so far it's been great.

Every morning, I take the bus to school with some of my friends from the neighborhood. School starts at 8:30 a.m., but I usually get to school around 8:10 a.m. because I like to talk to my friends before class. When I get to school, the first thing I do is go to my locker and drop off my backpack and coat. Then I go to my classroom and put my lunch in my cubby.

We have six classes every day, and each class is 55 minutes long. We have a break between third and fourth period for 15 minutes, and we have a longer break for lunch. Lunch is from 12:25 p.m. to 1:05 p.m. During lunch, I usually eat with my friends in the cafeteria. The food there is OK, but sometimes I bring my own lunch from home. After lunch, we have two more classes and then school is over at 3:10 p.m.

I don't like being late, so I always try to be on time for school. But sometimes the bus is late or there's a lot of traffic, and I get to school after 8:30 a.m. When that happens, I have to go to the office and sign in. They give me a slip of paper that says 'late' and I have to give it to my teacher. It's not a big deal if you're late once in a while, but if you're late a lot, they call your parents.

I'm usually present at school, but sometimes I'm absent. If I'm out sick, my mom calls the school and tells them I won't be there. Then I have to bring a note from my mom when I come back to school. If I'm absent for more than three days, the teachers give me my homework so I don't fall behind.

That's what a typical day at school is like for me. Thanks for listening!

Ex. 2. Answer the questions.

1. Why does Alex like to arrive at school early?
2. What is the daily schedule like for Alex at Roosevelt Middle School?
3. How does Alex handle being late for school?
4. What happens if Alex is absent from school?
5. Why does Alex have to bring a note from his mom when he returns to school after being sick?
6. How does Alex feel about the food in the cafeteria during lunchtime?
7. What measures does Alex take to ensure he doesn't fall behind in school work when he's absent?

18.3. Communication

Ex. 1. Make sentences using the following words:

1. attend/all/classes
2. important/maintain/attendance
3. absent/from/school
4. improve/attendance/record
5. time/does/start
6. strive/perfect/attendance
7. skipped/school/before
8. sign/attendance/sheet
9. key/factor/academic
10. going/school/tomorrow