

ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and decide if each statement (1-10) is True (A) or False (B).

School Report and School Achievement

When most Greek parents get bad school reports for their children, it seems that they are much more negatively affected than their children. “You can’t attend Senior High School, so you’d better go to a Vocational High School (EPAL)”, parents usually say to a Junior High School leaver whose school report is not especially good. They usually believe that an EPAL is a kind of school for failures and not a school that may be more suitable for their child’s skills and abilities.



How can one show parents that, if a school report recommends that the child cannot progress in that type of school, they’d better make peace with the fact that:

- a. a type of school may not be suitable for their child, and
- b. a society does not need only doctors and lawyers, but also good technicians of all kinds.

How can one tell parents that they must understand the possible negative effect on their children if they are not ready for a certain type of school? According to a psychologist, “If the learning load in school is too heavy for the child, hard effort won’t build his/her character but it will destroy his/her self-confidence”.

Once parents have realized that their child may not be able to achieve much in a Senior High School, what should they do to make the choice of an EPAL school successful for their child?

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STATEMENTS		A	B
		TRUE	FALSE
1.	Greek parents do not care about their children’s progress at school.		
2.	Many parents advise their children to go to an EPAL when they don’t get good grades in Junior High School.		
3.	The writer of this text believes that an EPAL is a school for failures.		
4.	Parents should realize that a specific type of school might not be appropriate for a kid.		
5.	Doctors and lawyers are more necessary than good technicians in a society.		
6.	According to a psychologist, children should learn many things at school to find a good job.		
7.	The underlined word “ <u>it</u> ” refers to the child’s character.		
8.	The underlined word “ <u>they</u> ” refers to parents.		
9.	The writer of this text believes that some students will do better in a Vocational High School (EPAL) than in a Junior High School.		
10.	Parents should help their children choose the most appropriate school for them.		

ΘΕΜΑ 2^ο. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Fill each gap in sentences 11-20 with the correct word from the box below (A-J). Use each word only once.

A.	parents	B.	report	C.	children	D.	ability	E.	types
F.	peace	G.	society	H.	lawyer	I.	choice	J.	effort

11.	You have to make a <input type="text"/> for our summer holidays: staying in a hotel or going camping for a change?
12.	He didn't want his parents to get his school <input type="text"/> because of his low grades.
13.	He's jogging round the park every morning in an <input type="text"/> to get fit for the football season.
14.	"Children begin by loving their <input type="text"/> ; after a time, they judge them; rarely, if ever, do they forgive them." <i>Oscar Wilde</i>
15.	You can find over 50 different <input type="text"/> of cheese in this supermarket.
16.	We must all do our best to help the older members of our <input type="text"/> .
17.	My <input type="text"/> are very happy with their new school.
18.	I am innocent! I won't tell you a word! I want to talk to my <input type="text"/> first.
19.	Your sister needs <input type="text"/> and quiet to study for the exam! Can you stop making so much noise?
20.	She is such an amazing teacher! She has the <input type="text"/> to explain things so clearly.