

Vocabulary 1

Write the missing words in the blanks. Choose from these words.

afford
discipline

egalitarian
identical

primary
rural

statistic
status

1

In some countries, a university degree is a sign of . In other countries it's extremely usual.

2

Many students in the United States cannot to go to private universities because they are so expensive.

3

John's seven-year-old son attends school.

4

In many areas, children don't go to high school because they have to help with the farm work.

5

In many schools in the United States, teachers spend more time dealing with problems than they do teaching.

6

An interesting shows that 88 percent of all students in Japan finish high school.

7

In universities in the United States, students choose a lot of elective classes, so no two courses of study are .

8

While public schools in the United States are supposedly , studies show that schools in poor areas are actually much worse than schools in rich areas.

Vocabulary 2

Choose the correct meaning for the underlined words in each passage.

For many years in the United States, most undergraduate students (in their first four years of college) studied full-time. Now, many attend college part-time because they have other responsibilities such as families or jobs.

1

undergraduate = _____

- for the whole working week
- A)**
- for part of the working week
- B)**
- in the first four years of college
- C)**

2

full-time = _____

- for the whole working week
- A)**
- for part of the working week
- B)**
- in the first four years of college
- C)**

3

part-time = _____

- for the whole working week
- A)**
- for part of the working week
- B)**
- in the first four years of college
- C)**

Traditional college students in the U.S. expect lots of "extras," such as sports, campus activities, museums, and religious groups.

4

extras = _____

- additional things
- A)**
- unusual activities
- B)**
- college classes
- C)**

Students who prefer the *sensing* style of learning are very practical. They prefer a practice-to-theory method of learning—experience first and ideas after that.

5

practical = _____

- relating to theory
- A)**
- relating to experience
- B)**
- relating to ideas and imagination
- C)**

Many students volunteer in the community. They tutor (teach privately) children or work in organizations for homeless people. Although they don't accept money for this help, it gives them a sense of fulfillment as they try to help society.

6

volunteer = _____

- to do work for pay
 - A)**
 - to do work because you have to
 - B)**
 - to do work without pay because it helps someone
 - C)**
- tutor = _____

7

- to teach large classes
- A)** to teach privately
- B)** to do work without pay
- C)**

Today, computer systems are open to everyone. Most colleges have computer labs; many dorms offer high-speed Internet access; and most applications for classes and registration are possible online. Some schools have entire courses online for which students can do the work over the Internet.

8

online = _____

- on the Internet
- A)** in a computer lab
- B)** in a dorm room
- C)**