

Do the preparation task first. Then read the article and do the exercises to check your understanding.

### Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–h next to the numbers 1–8.

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|--------|-----------------------|----|---|
| 1..... | Barbie                | a. | a treatment to make you look like you've been under the sun                 |
| 2..... | a three-course dinner | b. | a professional driver   |
| 3..... | a chauffeur           | c. | a long, luxury car  |
| 4..... | a trailer             | d. | the name of a popular toy doll  |
| 5..... | a spray tan           | e. | a vehicle that is pulled by a car   |
| 6..... | a limousine / a limo  | f. | having money  |
| 7..... | wealthy               | g. | a special, low price for something  |
| 8..... | a deal                | h. | a meal with three different plates, e.g. a starter, main course and dessert |

### 1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | A prom is a party to celebrate the end of exams or finishing school. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | Proms are always held in hotels.                                     | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | Boys and girls usually wear their school uniform for their prom.     | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | Two girls travelled to their prom in huge boxes.                     | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | A spray tan for the prom is popular with boys and girls.             | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | The prom tradition started in Australia.                             | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

## 2. Check your understanding: grouping

Write the words in the correct group.

jeans	high heels	car	trailer	evening dress
4x4	suit	trainers	truck	limousine
				tie

clothes and shoes	vehicles

## 3. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the best verb to complete these sentences.

- Some pupils also **have / make / do** a school prom when they finish primary school.
- Proms are **made / held / done** in June or July.
- Some schools **do / make / hold** a luxury party in a five-star hotel.
- Young people like to **wear / dress up / put** for their prom.
- Many teenagers **wear / dress up / put** school uniform in the UK.
- Their mothers **did / had / made** each girl a life-sized Barbie box.
- The average prom **costs / spends / pays** parents over £200 per teenager.
- Films such as *High School Musical* **have / make / do** a big influence on their kids.

### Discussion

Do you have a disco, party or prom at your school?

What do you do to celebrate finishing school?

What are the advantages and disadvantages for having a school prom?