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School children punished over wrong trousers

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1409/140908-school-uniform-4.html>

A school in England apologised to 50 students for punishing them for wearing the "wrong trousers". Pupils at the school got detention for not following school uniform rules. They spent eight hours in a small classroom. School bosses said the trousers were "skintight" and not right for school. The school was tightening its uniform rules. It did not think students would wear so many different types of trousers.

Parents were very angry. A mother said her daughter was in a room for eight hours and was "deeply distressed". She said her daughter was punished because teachers did not like her trousers. The school said her daughter's trousers were "skintight" but the mother said they weren't. She said her daughter lost two days' education because of a "ridiculous" rule. The school sent parents a letter to say students should wear black "tailored" trousers.

Sources: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2744764/School-puts-50-children-isolation-two-DAYS-term-wearing-wrong-trousers.html#ixzz3CTpFFtsP>
<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/more-than-50-children-put-into-detention-for-wearing-the-wrong-trousers-9715795.html>

MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. A school in England apologised | a. rules |
| 2. Pupils at the school | b. types of trousers |
| 3. following school uniform | c. to 50 students |
| 4. bosses said the trousers | d. tightening its uniform rules |
| 5. The school was | e. got detention |
| 6. wear so many different | f. were "skintight" |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--|------------------------------|
| 1. her daughter was | a. two days' education |
| 2. deeply | b. not like her trousers |
| 3. punished because teachers did | c. in a room for eight hours |
| 4. The school said her daughter's trousers | d. trousers |
| 5. her daughter lost | e. distressed |
| 6. black "tailored" | f. were "skintight" |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A school in England apologised to 50 students (1) _____ wearing the "wrong trousers". Pupils at (2) _____ for not following school uniform rules. They spent (3) _____ small classroom. School bosses said the trousers (4) _____ not right for school. The school (5) _____ uniform rules. It did not think students would wear so (6) _____ of trousers. Parents (7) _____. A mother said her daughter was in a room for eight hours and was "(8) _____. She said her daughter (9) _____ teachers did not like her trousers. The school said her daughter's trousers (10) _____ the mother said they weren't. She said her daughter (11) _____ because of a "ridiculous" rule. The school sent parents (12) _____ students should wear black "tailored" trousers.

SCHOOL UNIFORM SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about school uniform in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____
- g) _____
- h) _____

