

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Vocabulary. Circle the words you know. See if you can guess the meaning of the words you don't know when you read the examples below.

- Homework
- Behave, behavior
- Pay attention
- Disrupt, disruptive
- Fall behind
- Gifted

Read each dialogue with your tutor. Ask your tutor about any words you don't know.

A.

Teacher: Juan is a good kid, but sometimes he is disruptive during class. He talks to his friends during my lessons.

Parent: I'm sorry to hear that. I will talk to Juan about his behavior.

Teacher: Thank you.

Parent: Can I see some of Juan's work?

Teacher: Sure! Here is his project for science class.

B.

Parent: How is Ana doing in school?

Teacher: Ana is a gifted student. She does great work, but she doesn't pay attention to my instructions, so sometimes she gets the wrong answer.

Parent: I see. What can I do to help?

Teacher: You can make sure Ana reads the instructions when she does her homework every night. I don't want her to fall behind in class.



Listen as tutor reads the dialogues again. Fill in the blanks with the words you hear.
Your tutor can read it more than once if you need to listen again.

Alternate direction: Read the dialogues with your tutor again, filling in the blanks with the correct word or phrase.

A.

Teacher: Juan is a good _____, but sometimes he is _____ during class.
He talks to his friends during my lessons.

Parent: I'm sorry _____. I will talk to Juan about his _____.

Teacher: Thank you.

Parent: _____ I _____ some of Juan's work?

Teacher: Sure! Here is his _____ for science class.

B.

Parent: _____ Ana doing in school?

Teacher: Ana is a _____ student. She does great work, but she doesn't _____
_____ to my instructions, so sometimes she gets the wrong answer.

Parent: I see. _____ I do to help?

Teacher: You can _____ sure Ana reads the instructions when she does
her _____ every night. I _____ her to _____
_____ in class.



Practice talking with your tutor.

- A) Does your child have any problems at school?
 - B) Does your child always do his or her homework?
 - C) What do you want to know about your child's schoolwork? His or her classes?
 - D) If your child behaves badly at school, what can you do to help?
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Write your own list of questions to ask your child's teacher. Then practice them with your tutor.

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