

Student life: Expectations and clichés

Pre-task:

Which clichés about student life can you think of? What do people often say about students?

Are these clichés similar in the countries that you and your partner are from? To what extent do you think there is any truth in these clichés?



Image 1

Task 1:

Imagine that your partner would like to study at your home university for one semester. Explain what typical student life at your university is like and which obligations you have as a student at your university.

Most students... / The average student...

Usually... / As a rule of thumb...

You have to... / It is expected that... / You would be expected to...

Task 2:

Is student life similar to what you had imagined it to be? Discuss what you thought student life would be like before you started your studies and what it actually is like now. What is different? What surprised you? What do you find difficult?

For example, you could talk about these aspects:

- Lectures and seminars
- Timetable
- Lecturers and professors
- Accommodation
- Friends
- Parties
- Extra-curricular activities

Sources

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