IDIOMA EXTRANJERO (MENCIÓN INGLÉS)

UNIT 1	School teachers	28 Sept. 2018
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Print this page and write on it **in English** and **in longhand.** The purpose is to practice, so write as much as possible!

1.1. Watch the video on "A day in the life of a fifth grade teacher" and then answer the following questions:

a) Explain the reasons why you want to become a teacher. Compare them with others you have heard or read on the internet. Are all of them equally legitimate?

b) Which are the most frequent stereotypes about school teachers? Do they enjoy too many vacations? Is their job valued by society?

c) What essential skills are expected in a school teacher? Why? Should continuing professional development be mandatory? Does a schoolmaster have to know about everything?

d) You can find many online lists of "things every new teacher should know." Comment on some of the most thought-provoking ideas they contain.

e) What are the main arguments in the homework debate? Is homework helpful or harmful for schoolchildren?

f) Another controversial issue is mindfulness, yoga and meditation entering the schools. What do advocates and detractors of this new trend say about it?

1.2. Outline Kasia Mikoluk's seven principles of communication.

1.3. Suppose there is a course in pedagogy that you are interested in. Write a formal letter to the instructor requesting information. Follow the basic structure explained by Dustin Wax and use expressions from the table in "Writing business letters in English."

1.4. Start a glossary on pre-school and primary education with the technical terms you find in the videos and texts. Include the following fields: English term, Spanish equivalent, definition, and, where appropriate, related hyperlinks, synonyms and antonyms. You may work in groups **(max. 3 members)** and advance at a rate of some **70 new words per week.** By the end of the semester, when you hand in your glossary, it should include some 420 words. Write down in the table below the terms that you have added this week: