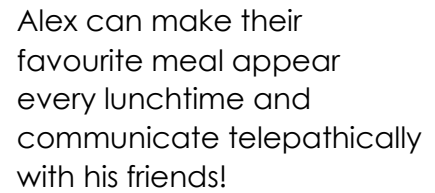
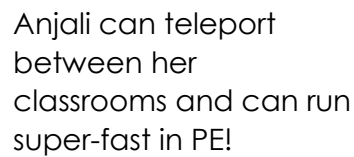
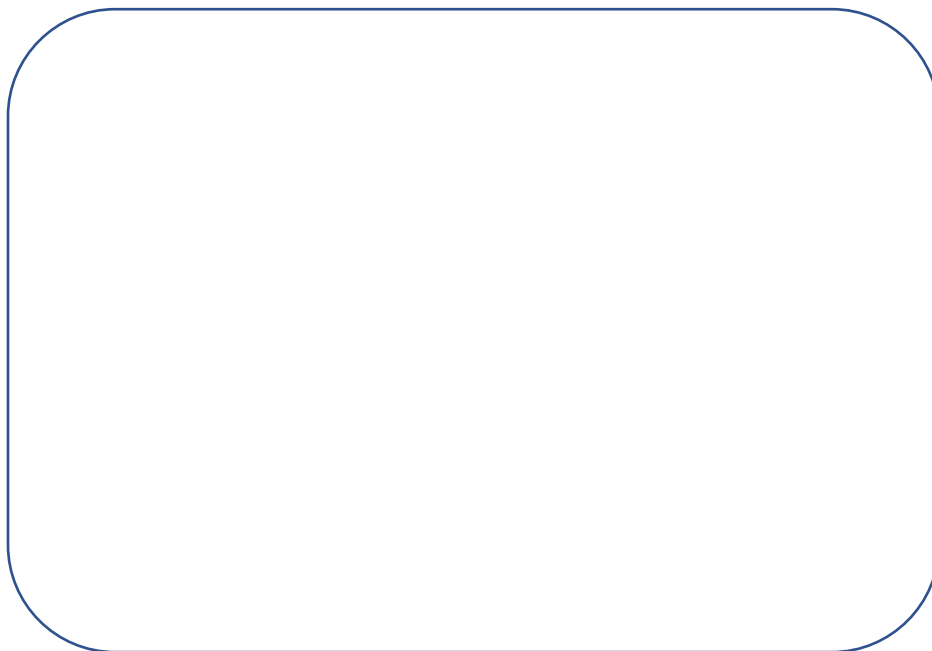


Secondary School Superhero

Examples:

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Draw your super-student!



What superpowers do you have that will help you when starting your new school?
Everybody has their own unique strengths!

e.g. confidence, kindness, creativity, great listener, super mathematician/artist/historian

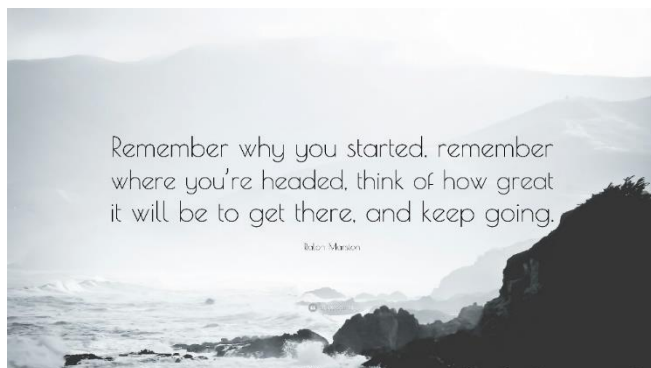
Write about your strengths below:

Exercise 2:

Poem

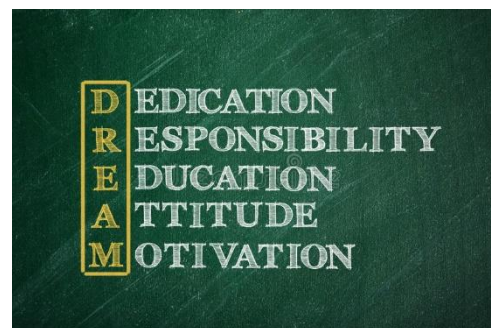
Write a poem, sharing helpful and positive messages of things you'd like to remember when starting your new school. Think about what advice you might give to a friend if they were feeling worried about the transition to secondary school.

Here are some examples for inspiration:



New Beginnings, by Tony Walsh

Welcome to your new school.
Welcome to your future.
New beginnings here and new rules.
New classrooms, new computers, new timetables,
new faces here, new corridors, new signs.
But some things change, some stay the same.
And some truths last all time.
You'll take out what you put in, you'll reap just what you sow.
So face the test and do your best, work hard, play hard and grow,
and play a full and active part in school and its community.
Be pleased to say, "I seized the day, I used this opportunity."
Remember that you're different, there's no-one quite like you.
But make good friends, the ones who lend a hand to get you through.
Remember, keep your head up even if you fear you'll drown.
Achieving is believing mixed with never looking down.
And think about your future, and find a hope, a dream.
Put action in your action plan and build yourself a team
made of parents, made of teachers, made of family and friends,
from this position make a mission for a trip that never ends.
And so, always keep on learning, there's always more to know.
It may sound strange but you can always change,
it's never too late to grow.



Exercise 3:

New school; alien territory

An alien from another planet is starting secondary school. They have never been to an earthly school before, let alone a secondary school! Write a story about the new experiences your alien comes across when starting secondary school, the challenges they face and, most importantly, how they overcome these challenges.



You might like to include:

- How they make friends
- How their classmates help them settle in
- How they find their way around
- Experiencing and getting used to new 'Earth' food at lunch time
- Learning new subjects
- How they cheer themselves up/ relax if they feel nervous or stressed at school



Exercise 4:

Newspaper article



Write a newsletter about your new school.

Look for information on the school website, school social media pages and internet and report a story about life as a student/ the school environment/ current events at the school.

You might like to include:

-How many students attend the school?

-What is in the local area?

-Did any famous/sports people attend?

-What clubs are on offer?

-What events have the school run this year?

-Add a 'interview' with a current student or staff member

Tips on writing a newsletter (example layout above):

- Make your headline short and snappy.
- In the first sentence, sum up what the story is about.
- Write your report in the third person and the past tense.
- Split your newspaper report up into paragraphs to help the reader clearly understand the information.
- If you use quotes to make your report more interesting, don't forget to use speech marks.
- Use a photo with a caption to give the reader more information.
- Fill your newspaper report with both facts and opinions. Facts give the reader all of the information they need by using the 5 Ws (what, when, where, who, why)