First Day at University

Read the short story below and answer the questions.

What important days in your life do you remember? I remember my first day at university very clearly. I felt excited and happy. At the same time, I was very nervous because I didn't know anyone. However, my first day at university was really memorable.



At first, I was confused and lost. I didn't know where to go. I had to ask a stranger where the first year students were going to meet. This person was very polite and showed me the way. I walked through some big buildings, and when I arrived I saw many students and I felt scared.

After a while, I told myself to be braver. I asked one girl what was happening and we discovered that we were in the same group. We introduced ourselves. Her name was May. We joined in with the activities for "freshie" students. Soon, I started feeling much better. The activities helped me feel part of a team and I was beginning to feel that I had become a university student.





Later, we began our classes. However, all our classmates were quiet. The teacher talked for a while and then we introduced ourselves. I met two girls. Their names were June and Apple. Soon we became good friends and started chatting and learnt more about each other. Although we came from different provinces, we had a lot in common. We spent the rest of the day together, until we had to go home.

I'm always going to remember that day because I had the opportunity to meet many people. Most importantly, I met the best friends that I've ever had. Finally, I think that it is natural that on the first day at university we feel nervous. But often, difficult experiences have happy endings. That's why I say that my first day in the university was very memorable.

- 1 How did the student feel at the beginning of the first day at university?
- 2 When did the student's first day start to improve?
- 3. What did the new student and her new friends do together?
- 4 What do you think was the best thing that happened to the student on this day?
- 5 Do you think this person went on to be a successful student? Explain?
- 6 What advice would you give a new student starting their first day at university?

Answers

- 1. The student felt excited and happy, but also very nervous because she didn't know anyone.
- 2. The student's first day started to improve when she made a new friend and they started doing activities together.
- 3. The new student and her new friends introduced themselves, chatted, and did activities together.
- 4. The best thing that happened to the student on this day was meeting her new friends.
- 5. The student went on to be a successful student because she made friends and felt part of a team.
- 6. The advice I would give a new student starting their first day at university is to be brave and to talk to people.