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# VOICES INTO ACTION: EXAMPLE QUESTIONS FOR LEARNERS

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## 1. School experiences

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- Tell me what you usually do during an average day (at school and after school).
  - (Prompts: What time do you start school? What classes do you attend? What time do you leave school? What do you do next?)

### 1.1. Teaching and learning

- Which class/subject do you prefer?
- Can you describe one of these lessons?
  - (Prompts: What types of activities do you do?)
- How do you feel about different kinds of lesson? (a) When the whole class is working together; (b) when you work by yourself?
- If something unexpected happens during the lesson, who deals with this?
- Tell me about how you get on with your classmates.
- Tell me how you get on with your teachers.
- Tell me how you feel about tests/exams/assessments.
- Tell me how you feel about homework.
- If you need any help during the lesson, who helps you?
- How do you feel about the help you receive? What do you like about it? What don't you like?
- How is your school life different from primary school?

### 1.2. School breaks/activities

- What do you normally do during school breaks and lunchtime?
- If something upsets you during school breaks, who do you contact?
- Do you enjoy taking part in special events/school trips and visits? How do you feel during these activities?

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## 2. Closing questions

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- Do you enjoy coming to school? (What's the best thing in school? What's the worst thing?)
- Are you happy with the help you receive? (What's the best thing about this support? What's the worst thing?)
- If you were in charge, and money was not a problem, what would you do to make your school better?
- How would that make it better?
- If you could change anything, what would you change?
- What are your future aspirations? What would you like to do in the future, when you finish school?
- Is there anything else you would like to tell me about your experiences in the school that we haven't talked about so far?