**When does school start where you live?**

In many countries school starts in the fall. Children get ready for a new school year. But the school year does not start in the same month all over the world. Look at the chart below.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Country</th>
<th>Month School Starts</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>United States</td>
<td>Late August or September</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>September</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Great Britain</td>
<td>September</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Brazil</td>
<td>February or March</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Japan</td>
<td>April</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>France</td>
<td>September</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thailand</td>
<td>May</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Australia</td>
<td>February</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

When do you start school? ____________________________________________

What other countries start school the same time as you? ________________

____________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________

What month would you like to start school? __________________________

**ANSWER THE QUESTIONS:**

1. When does Thailand start school?
   a. September  
   b. May  
   c. February  
   d. August

2. When does Australia start school?
   a. May  
   b. September  
   c. August  
   d. February
3. Students in the United States start back to school in
   a. August        b. May
   c. September    d. both a and c

4. France and Great Britain both start school in ____________________.
   a. May        b. August
   c. February   d. September

5. Students in Japan start school in _________________________.
   a. May        b. April
   c. August     d. February

The beginning of the school year is fun. What is your favorite memory, or part of a
new school year?

_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

©2001-2010abcteach.com