



- **Granada**

4°C, Fair

H: 7°C | L: -5°C



- **Almeria**

7°C, Fair

H: 10°C | L: 2°C



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9°C, Fair

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Dreaming of top grades in Spain

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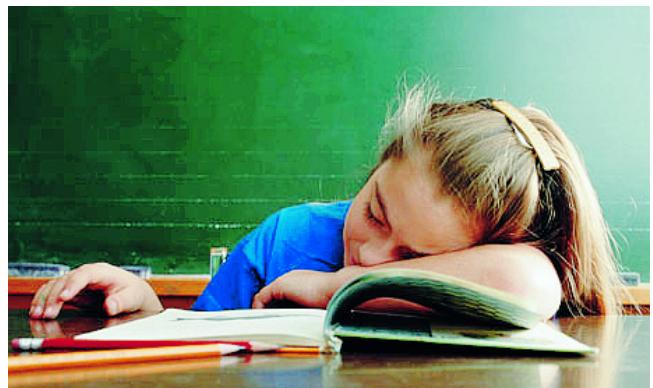
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