

Video zone – Portrait of Oussama

Instructions

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do Task 1.

Preparation task

Match the definitions (a–f) with the vocabulary (1–6).

Vocabulary	Definition
1. a goal	a. because of
2. give up	b. stop doing something that you do regularly
3. founded by	c. set up by
4. due to	d. the knowledge you get from school or university
5. education	e. something that you are trying to do or achieve
6. HOPES	f. Higher and further education Opportunities and Perspectives for Syrians

Task 1 – True or false?

Decide if the sentences are true or false.

	Answers	
1. Oussama Almasalmeh is 28 years old.	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>
2. He is Syrian, from Daraa city.	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>
3. He had to give up his education because of the war.	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>
4. He now lives in Cyprus.	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>
5. He is in his second year of university.	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>
6. He studies electronic engineering.	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>
7. He goes to English courses founded by HOPES.	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>
8. Oussama's goal is to complete his education.	<i>True</i>	<i>False</i>

Discussion

Do you agree with Oussama? How important is education for you and your family?

Answers

Preparation

1. e
2. b
3. c
4. a
5. d
6. f

Task 1 – True or false?

1. False
2. True
3. True
4. False
5. False
6. True
7. True
8. False