Alex & Ava’s Back-to-School Word Search

Alex’s Words:
- Fashion
- School
- Vocabulary
- Vegetarian
- Headband

Ava’s Words:
- Sports
- Practice
- Football
- Cookies
- Helmet

D F R A T X A E Y S D L
E X S F C E C R C F N N
O T N V A I M H J H A A
R Z I A T S O L O M B C
R C A C I O H X E E D O
Q N A P L R Z I W H A O
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TIPS FOR STARTING AT A NEW SCHOOL

Alex and Ava are the new kids in town and at Ashland Middle School. It isn’t always easy, but they’re doing a great job adjusting to their new town and school.

Here are some tips and tricks to make your first weeks in your new setting fun and stress-free, too!

DON’T GET LOST!
Arrive at school early on your first day so you have time to find your classrooms. If you have a chance, take a tour of the campus before classes start so you won’t feel lost on your first day.

MAKE NEW FRIENDS!
Get to know your new classmates in a social setting.
• Ask your parents if you can have people over after school.
• You could invite some new peers over to:
  - Bake cookies
  - Play board games
  - Watch a favorite sports team play
  - Give each other manicures
• Or ask your parents if you can arrange for you and your new classmates to do something together outside of school.
• You and your new friends could:
  - Meet at the park
  - Have a picnic
  - Go to the mall

GET INVOLVED AT SCHOOL!
Join a club or organization that interests you or try out for a school sports team.
These groups give you the opportunity to spend more time with your new classmates and meet people at your school who aren’t in your classes.

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY!
See if there are volunteer opportunities for kids in your new city, or ask your parents if you can try a local dance class, art class, community theater group, or other fun after-school activity in your town.

BE YOURSELF! REMEMBER WHERE YOU COME FROM AND HOW THAT MAKES YOU SPECIAL!