

talking points

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What out-of-classroom learning experience should your school offer?



**Alexander Chan, 17,
Tin Shui Wai Methodist College**

I would love to do busking. Performing in front of a crowd would give us more confidence and enhance our skills.

Also, interacting with passers-by would allow us to learn about the neighbourhood and its people.

But the most important thing is that, no matter what kind of show we put on, we would be entertaining people and making them happy. This would be a very good experience for students who are usually focused on their homework and revision, and rarely have time to take a deeper look at our city and its different kinds of people.

Rachel Wong, 15, St Stephen's Girls' College

Regular volunteering trips. Liberal studies can be so vague without any on-site, or practical, experience.

By interacting with the less privileged, students would not only learn about society's problems, they could also lend a helping hand to those in need. Talk about killing two birds with one stone ... I mean, trip!



**Joyce Chan, 14,
Carmel Divine Grace Foundation Secondary School**

Visiting Hong Kong's landfills is a good, out-of-classroom learning experience. People are not interested in such visits because they think a landfill is a dirty place – and they're right. But this is the only way we can truly highlight the importance of environmental conservation.

We should protect our planet. Seeing the landfills up close would help people realise how important it is to practise the four Rs: Recycle, Reuse, Reduce, and Replace.



**Lam Yin-tung, 16, Rhenish Church
Pang Hok Ko Memorial College**

Camping and outward-bound activities are great ways to enrich our learning experience outside the classroom.

Such activities usually include team building and cooking. These help us develop team spirit, leadership skills, sportsmanship, and survival skills. We would also learn one of life's most important lessons: never give up.

These are things that cannot be learned from textbooks. They will play a crucial role in helping us to face challenges in the future.

**Aujla Jashandeep Kaur, 17,
St Margaret's Girls' College, Hong Kong**

My school should organise more tours outside Hong Kong, especially to places like Germany, which has a rich historical background.

However, a visit shouldn't all be about learning history. Students can learn many important things from such trips, for example, the people's way of life and their traditions, and how different we are from them. Maybe we could even copy some of their good points.



Our topics always get a lot of responses. Check out what other students had to say and join the conversation at yp.scmp.com. In our next Talking Points we'll discuss: if the government gave you HK\$5,000 a month for basic living, what would you do? Never work again? Or use the money some other way? We are now accepting answers from readers for this topic. To take part, email your answer with your name, age, and school, along with a nice, clear selfie (make sure it's not blurry), to yp@scmp.com by lunchtime on Monday, June 6. Don't forget to include "Talking Points" in the subject line.