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| What is the purpose of school? | What do you like about school? | What do you dislike about school? | What are the most important things taught in school and what are they important for? |
| * Educate for things kids need to get a degree * Just a requirement now; no purpose * Help you later on in life * Educate to increase power of country * Helps avoid homelessness * Social skills teaching to use in society. * Viewed as chore now because of lack of purpose * Limit free time of students and give structure. * Teaches common values and ethics * Shapes our lives; Giving challenges and energy to learn that will serve us in the future * Gives options * Teaches us about human behavior * Opportunities today make us take it for granted. * Purpose has changed because degrees are valued less. Need more school for more jobs. * Want it when you don’t have it; don’t when you have to. * More tech and science advancement needs more education to keep building * Competition system * Way for government to make money * Cost varies Europe to US (cheaper in Europe) * A lot of school is just doing tasks rather than understanding the true nature of the task. | * Given for free * Choose classes in high school | * Need to give option so those that want can and get more out of it. * Not everybody wants to be there. * Take it for granted; lack of choice * Force attendance and force homework * Doesn’t give purpose; just a thing to do. * Always going to be something to complain about. * Teacher might not like you and might impact grade * Failing should not hold you back. * Failing should hold you back in essential subjects. | * Depends on the individual * Depends on career * Social skills * Grades are most valued, but everything is really preparing for the future. * Intelligence and grades often don’t show the same thing * Grades aren’t accurate all the time, but they are important * Always going to depend on your values. * Should be able to take the skills you want that are relevant to your profession. * All classes because people change and they develop interests. * Writing/presenting skills necessary for many professions in math and science. * Everything helps discover talents. * Everything applies to your worldview at some point in life. * Should have emphasis on what we like most but still experience many things. * Athletes are dependent on academic performance. * No harm in learning anything. * Grades often don’t reflect ability. * As long as you get the concept on the end, the grades shouldn’t impact. |