



**How can students  
prepare for NSS  
Liberal Studies (LS) at  
junior secondary (JS)  
level?**

# Strengthen Foundation Knowledge at JS level

- When knowledge is forsaken, LS foundations are shaken
- For example, NSS LS requires students to ask: “What is the relationship between the occurrence of sustainable development and the development of science of technology?”

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This question of enquiry assumes students' mastery of relevant knowledge:

- Geography: oceans, rainforests, power resources, 'rich and poor'
- Science: energy sources, water pollution, biodiversity
- Technology Education Key Learning Area (KLA) : technology and society, reuse and recycling of resources

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The three KLAs most relevant to NSS LS are:

- Personal, Social & Humanities Education
- Science Education
- Technology Education

Do you know the subjects that are included in these KLAs?

## Personal, Social & Humanities Education

This KLA (curriculum time 15-20%) includes the following JS subjects:

- Geography
- History
- Social Studies
- School-based integrated subjects (JS “LS”, Integrated Humanities, History & Culture, etc.)
- Econ. & Public Affairs
- Chinese History
- Religious Education

What knowledge should you master in this KLA?  
What have you actually mastered?

# Science Education

This KLA (curriculum time 10-15%) includes the following JS subject:

## ➤ Science

What knowledge should you master in Science?

What have you actually mastered?

# Technology Education

This KLA (curriculum time 8-15%) includes the following JS subject:

- Computer Literacy
- Design and Technology
- Home Economics
- Business Fundamentals, etc.

What knowledge should you master in this KLA?

What have you actually mastered?

## Broaden Knowledge Base & Horizons

- Reading allows students to savour life experiences of others, broadening their horizons
- Develop habits of reading extra-curricular materials across various disciplines
- Read materials of different formats, not limiting oneself to comics, romance novels

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- Balanced participation in co-curricular / extra-curricular activities, giving priority to quality rather than quantity: sports, arts, service, academic ...

# Maintain Civic Awareness

- Read newspapers frequently
- News-reading is not limited to one or two categories of information, e.g. entertainment, sports
- Balanced exposure to local, national and global news
- Be concerned about developments in the neighbourhood

## Develop Skills Through Project Learning

- Give priority not only to the product, but also your performance during the process
- Instead of doing 'copy & paste' work with online materials, think about the relationship between the materials and the question for enquiry, authenticity of the materials, assumptions and values behind the materials, etc.

## Develop Skills through Project Learning

- Formulate a feasible work plan, manage time, manpower and other resources to implement the plan
- For tasks that you are able to complete, do not rely on your parents