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.
Broaden Knowledge Base & Horizons

- 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