

'Think for yourself' E-lesson Inspiration

After watching the video, read the text carefully and put the missing words on the side.

I'm Julia and I'm 17. My parents are from Argentina and I've grown up in Manhattan my w_____ life and go to school in the Bronx. _____.

I think a lot of high schools are trying to get their students into the best colleges. And because the way students are being m_____ is through numbers that are so h_____, I think public schools are killing creativity. They're q_____ students. _____.

Students are only given an i_____ to learn for a good grade, but nothing more. _____.

I probably just s_____ the surface just to pass exams a lot of the time. _____.

Because what you hear mostly in the h_____ are what projects are d_____, what grades you got, how you're going to fit it all in your day. _____.

And, in class, half the students have their h_____ d_____ sleeping because they've been u_____ a_____ n_____ trying to study for their exams. _____.

The only s_____ we really get is from our guidance counselors about which college to apply to, what classes to t_____. "You need an AP Science if you want to go to nahdahdah", but that's not me. _____.

I'm very, very much e_____ in art history, and 'mic-mac', which is micro-macro economics. Both the teachers are e_____ intelligent, and they like to talk about what they know about the subject. _____.

My 'mic-mac' teacher, he sits at his desk, and he gives not only all his opinions, but all the videos he's watched, all the articles he's read, everything that's going on r_____ n_____ that's somehow related and pulls everything o_____ of the a_____ and brings it all in to the topic we're talking about, which will not be tested on but makes the topic something real. _____.

I never imagined myself to enjoy economics. The best way I learn is in an actual, h____-o____ experience, something that can bring me out of the classroom. _____.

I think the best kind of education is one that teaches you how to speak and t_____ for y_____. That's much more valuable than just passing your exams. _____.