WHAT HISTORY STUDENTS SHOULD LEARN
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There are students who think that History is uninteresting and there is nothing to do with their life. Indeed, there are some history educators who tend to focus too much on memorization of dates, people, places and events. If we just focus on facts, the actual work of historians gets totally obscured that leads students to not even realize that history is based in critical thinking, not fact-checking.

History is a subject that focuses on the past, but can also give us an insight into the present, and how to deal with circumstances that bear a significant resemblance to those of decades or centuries ago. There are great lessons to be learned in history. Students should understand, intellectually and emotionally, that their present lives are the result of these historical events created by imperfect beings very much like themselves. They should understand that their present is the consequence of those historical events so that they are better prepared to act as conscious historical actors themselves once they leave the classroom.

Isn't what we do with knowledge more important than the knowledge itself? History can help improve not just knowledge of the past, but analysis in general, and can sharpen opinions about a wide range of subjects. It gives great ideas on how to cope up and handle different situations in life.

If only students could study in their mind the relevance of history in their lives, with the help of their teacher, this world would be a better place to live in as they would be more careful and responsible for their actions. There are great lessons to be learned from the past, and they ought to learn them so that they don’t exhaust their strength repeating past mistakes and bad choices.

History is a very important subject. History is inspirational. That student may find joy and happiness and peace in the future by learning the great lessons of history is my advocacy to every students.

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