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If you are in the process of selecting your GCSE subjects and you are not sure where to start, then this article can give you some guidance. The first question that you can start off with is, 'what am I passionate about?'. Thinking about what you are passionate about will give you a sense of personal connection with what you would like to do in the future. For example, Geography might be a good subject to choose if you have a passion for exploring the earth and learning about nature.

Let the choices be your own choice. Talking to other people like family and friends about their choices is insightful because you get to listen to their thoughts or what they had chosen in the past. However, that was their choice, based on their own interests. You get to choose, based on your own interest! So, take your time and investigate potential Colleges/Sixth Forms and Universities to find out what is required to gain entry onto course that interest you.

Choose the subject, not the teacher. Teachers come and go. You may like the way a subject is taught by one teacher and that's great, but you don't know who will be teaching it next year or the year after that.

What is compulsory and what isn't? Maths, English and Science are the compulsory subjects. These subjects are the most important for progressing onto the next stage of *your* education. Think about the workload the subjects you choose will have on the time you need to spend on Maths, English and Science.

Finding a balance of subjects that you like and subjects that will help you get to the next stage of your education.

For further information, please refer to the links below:

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